



## UNIVERSITY OF PIKEVILLE ELLIOTT SCHOOL OF NURSING

### Two-year Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program RN Applicant Checklist

#### Application Deadlines:

**October 1, 2025 to be considered for the two-year ADN program -Spring 2026 start.**

**March 1, 2026 to be considered for the two-year ADN program - Fall 2026 start.**

All admission requirements must be completed on or before October 1, 2025 (for Spring admission) or March 1, 2026 (for Fall admission). A minimum ACT composite score of 19 **or** TEAS minimum score of 55 is required. A student with an ACT composite of 19 or more is not required to submit a TEAS score. If a minimum ACT of 19 is not submitted, the TEAS nursing entrance exam is required as part of the application process and is registered for and given online (see instructions in this packet). If not admitted to the nursing program in either semester and you want to apply in the future, you must complete a new application packet. Application materials are not kept from one semester to the next.

#### Admission Requirement Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_ University of Pikeville **Application for Admission** (online). <https://apply.upike.edu/>  
*Complete a UPIKE application only if you are not a current UPIKE student.*

\_\_\_\_\_ University of Pikeville **Nursing Program Application** (pp. 3 – 5 of this packet)

\_\_\_\_\_ ACT composite score of 19 **or** TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam score minimum of 55  
*Retakes of the TEAS are **not** allowed within one calendar year. Cost of the exam \$120*

\_\_\_\_\_ Official transcripts of GED, high school, college/university (ALL colleges/universities ever attended) submitted to the University of Pikeville Office of Admissions. High school students should include transcripts for dual credit completed from the relevant institution. Transfer students from other nursing programs also require 2 letters of recommendation stating that they are eligible for readmission.  
*Submission of ACT or TEAS score is required of all applicants, however, students who have neither an ACT of 19 or TEAS of 55 will be considered for admission if they have demonstrated success in college coursework with a cumulative University/College GPA of **3.0** or more and at least **14 hours** of required nursing support courses completed.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Current college students: You must be in academic good standing at the time of application (University/College GPA of 2.0, including dual credit courses). Cumulative GPA of <2.0 will not be considered and applicants will be directed to raise their GPA and reapply.

\_\_\_\_\_ Current high school seniors: Your high school transcript will be evaluated on GPA, rank, grades in science and math courses and attendance. No ranking points are awarded for high school courses.

#### NOTES:

- Courses in the major must be at least a “C” grade and only repeated one time. The grade on the second attempt, including “W” grades, may stand as the final grade. Transfer credit is subject to approval of the Registrar’s Office. Transfers from other nursing programs must be eligible for readmission to previous program.
- Any exceptions will be determined on an individual basis.



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### ADMISSION RANKING CRITERIA

**NOTE: DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION. KEEP IT FOR YOUR REFERENCE.**

Applicants are ranked on a point system based on the following criteria. All applicants not selected in the first round may be placed on an alternate list. The alternate is notified as positions become available prior to the start of semester classes.

**Applicant's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Nursing Program Application** \_\_\_\_\_

#### Points for Ranking

\_\_\_\_ **1. Grades in science courses**

**Only two attempts are allowed; a "W" is counted as an attempt. Grade on second attempt stands. One-half point is deducted if science course was, or needs to be, repeated.**

**BMS 171** \_\_\_\_ ☐ A=3 pts. ☐ B=2 pts. ☐ C=1 pt. ☐ Repeat (- ½ pt.) Date Completed:

**BMS 172** \_\_\_\_ ☐ A=3 pts. ☐ B=2 pts. ☐ C=1 pt. ☐ Repeat (- ½ pt.) Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**BMS 273** \_\_\_\_ ☐ A=3 pts. ☐ B=2 pts. ☐ C=1 pt. ☐ Repeat (- ½ pt.) Date Completed:

\_\_\_\_ **2. Acceptable ACT or TEAS score (points are only awarded for one or the other score)**

• **ACT composite score** \_\_\_\_\_ (if 19 or greater, no TEAS score is required)  
☐ 27+ =3 pts. ☐ 25-26=2 pts. ☐ 23-24=1.5 pt. ☐ 21-22-66=1 pt. ☐ 19-20 =0.5 pt.

• **TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam Score** \_\_\_\_\_ (required if ACT composite is <19)  
☐ 80+ =3 pts. ☐ 70-79=2 pts. ☐ 67-69=1.5 pt. ☐ 60-66=1 pt. ☐ 55-59=0.5 pt.

\_\_\_\_ **3. College GPA (includes dual credit) -** ☐ 4.0=2 pt. ☐ 3.5=1.5 pt. ☐ 3.0=1 pt. ☐ 2.5=0.5 pt.

\_\_\_\_ **4. Prior healthcare experience (Submitted proof of certification or licensure must be *current*)**

**Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)** ☐ 3 pts.

**Certified, licensed, or registered in healthcare field (other than LPN)** ☐ 2 pt.

**Healthcare experience (non-certified, licensed, or registered)** ☐ 1 pt.

**Title** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ **5. Bachelor's degree in any discipline with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher** ☐ 1 pt.

\_\_\_\_ **6. BIO/BMS or CHEM courses with a "B" grade or higher** may receive ≤ 2 points on individual basis, only if there are no BMS 171, BMS 172 or BMS 273 course grades and no repeated or "D" courses.

List course and grade here: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL POINTS\***

*\*The nursing admissions committee reserves the right to further evaluate an applicant based on a review of ACT or TEAS sub-scores, academic history, and professional behaviors.*

**Reviewer Comments:**



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### NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION

Completion of this nursing program application is one of the admission criteria to the Elliott School of Nursing's associate degree in nursing program. Please refer to RN applicant checklist and nursing brochure for a complete list of admission criteria to submit by the application deadline.

All admission requirements must be completed on or before October 1 for spring admission or March 1 for fall admission. If required due to absent or low (<19) composite ACT score, the TEAS Nursing Entrance Test must be taken prior to the deadline for the semester seeking admission. If not admitted to the nursing program and you want to apply in the future, you must complete a new application packet for the new application cycle. Application materials are not kept from one semester to the next. TEAS scores are good for one year.

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

**October 1, 2025 – to be considered for admission to the Spring 2026 semester.**

**March 1, 2026– to be considered for admission to Fall 2026 semester.**

**Application for readmission is only necessary if there has been a semester without enrollment in the program.**

**Social Security Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI/Maiden

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
Number & Street/Route # or P.O. Box # City State Zip

**How can we contact you? Complete all that apply.**

- **Home phone number:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- **Mobile phone number:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- **Text:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Person to be notified in case of emergency:**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship** \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred phone number for emergency contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In order of attendance, list the dates of high school (or GED diploma), vocational or LPN school, colleges and universities. If additional space is needed, please use reverse side. Official transcripts must be submitted from each institution attended.**

NAME OF INSTITUTION	DATES ATTENDED	DEGREE <u>or</u> MAJOR

**Are you currently enrolled (taking classes) at the University of Pikeville?** ☐ No ☐ Yes

**Are you submitting an ACT composite of at least 19?** \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

**If answering 'no' to the question above, have you taken the TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam?**

\_\_\_\_\_ No, date registered to take: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, date taken: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have experience working in the healthcare field?**

Where? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

☐ No ☐ Yes; Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you currently certified, licensed or registered in a healthcare field?** ☐ No ☐ Yes; Title: \_\_\_\_\_

*To receive maximum points on your application, submit a copy of your certification and its expiration date.*

**On a separate page, address the questions below.** Attach this separate page to this application and submit by the deadline.

*The answers submitted are read by a member of the nursing admissions committee. The quality of your responses can have an influence on your final ranking points.*

1. Briefly explain why you want to become a registered nurse? What meaning would it have for you to be a registered nurse?
2. List any community service, community involvement, and/or extracurricular activities, including number of hours invested.
3. Have you served in any formal or non-formal leadership positions? If so, list those below.
4. Please list any award or achievements that demonstrate your commitment to excellence.
5. The University of Pikeville and Pikeville Medical Center have developed and will be implementing an educational-practice collaboration that features an integrated curricular experience unique to this region that combines the strengths of both institutions to promote and enhance clinical judgement and readiness for practice. How do you see this collaboration benefitting you as a student?

**Rural Health Nursing Fellowship:**

This collaboration between the University of Pikeville and Pikeville Medical Center offers financial assistance to students in pursuit of the associate of nursing degree in return for a one, two, or three-year commitment of full-time employment as an RN at Pikeville Medical Center. The amount of assistance is variable based on length of commitment. Are you interested in being considered as a candidate for the fellowship program?

☐ Yes, I am interested in being considered as a candidate for the Rural Health Nursing Fellowship.

☐ I am not interested in the Rural Health Nursing Fellowship.

*If you check "Yes" above, your contact information will be forwarded to the Rural Health Nursing Fellowship Liaison, who will follow up with interested students that are accepted to the program. Students may then be offered a **PMC Rural Health Nursing Fellowship Student Agreement** ("the Agreement"). PMC reserves the right to grant or deny admission into the Fellowship and you will not be admitted into the Fellowship unless PMC also chooses to sign the Agreement. If you are not admitted into the UPike nursing program, PMC will not sign the Agreement and you will not be admitted into the Fellowship.*

Students applying for readmission (only necessary if one semester or more has passed since original admission) should write a *letter of petition* to the Nursing Admissions Committee explaining failure to progress in the nursing program and what has been done to remedy the situation and attach letter of petition to this application. These letters are read by the committee members and considered in the decision to readmit. They should, therefore, be well crafted. Students applying for *readmission* do not have to repeat any entrance exam. Only one nursing course failure/readmission to the nursing program is allowed.

Students applying for transfer from another nursing program must be eligible for readmission to their original program of nursing. Depending on reason for transfer, there may be only one admission (no opportunity for readmission) to the Elliott School of Nursing offered.

Effective April 1, 2024, this nursing program is a candidate for initial accreditation by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. This candidacy status expires on April 1, 2026.

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)  
3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400  
Atlanta, GA 30326  
(404) 975-5000  
<http://www.acenursing.com/candidates/candidacy.asp>

Note: Upon granting of initial accreditation by the ACEN Board of Commissioners, the effective date of initial accreditation is the date on which the nursing program was approved by the ACEN as a candidate program that concluded in the Board of Commissioners granting initial accreditation.

The A.D.N. program has approval status from the Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN). The KBN may delay or deny anyone who has been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor from taking the nursing licensure examination. The university and affiliating agencies may require a criminal background check and drug screen. These agencies have the right to deny a student's clinical placement based upon findings of the criminal background check or drug screen. Should this situation occur, the school of nursing does not guarantee the student's placement in the nursing program or at an alternate site and the student may need to withdraw from the program.

Progression in the nursing program is dependent on completion of required activities by deadline dates, adherence to nursing program policies, completion of required remediation based on standardized tests, "C" or higher grade in pre-/corequisite and nursing courses, and final "Satisfactory" rating in the clinical portion of nursing courses.

It is the policy of the university that no student shall be excluded from participating in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in any program sponsored by the university because of gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, age, handicap or national origin. Students with disabilities requiring accommodations should contact the Disabilities Resources Office located in the Student Services Counselor's Office. Accommodations are made on an individual basis according to documented need.

I affirm that all information supplied in the application is complete and accurate. I understand that withholding or giving false information will result in my being ineligible for admission to the nursing program. My signature indicates my understanding of the statements on this application.

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

The hardcopy of this **Nursing Program Application**:

- May submitted at the Elliott School of Nursing Offices on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Elliott School of Nursing at 119 College St., OR *scanned* (no photos) and emailed to [jessicawilliamson@upike.edu](mailto:jessicawilliamson@upike.edu), OR
- Mailed to Elliott School of Nursing, Attn: Jessica Williamson  
University of Pikeville  
147 Sycamore St.  
Pikeville, KY 41510



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### TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam Information

*The TEAS is required only if the applicant has not submitted an ACT composite score of at least 19.*

Completion of the **TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam** is one of the admission criteria to the Elliott School of Nursing's associate degree nursing program and is only required in the event of failure to submit a minimum ACT composite score of at least 19. **The TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam is taken online and proctored remotely. You will choose the date and time of your exam from available dates, but it needs to be completed prior to the application deadline.**

#### **To register for TEAS Nursing Entrance Exam.**

- The cost of this remotely proctored online exam is \$120; paid online when you register.
- Step 1: Visit <https://www.atitesting.com/teas> and create a user account. If you already have an existing account, proceed to Step 2.
- Step 2: Once you are in the online store, find the "Register For" section in the left-hand navigation and select TEAS. Online sessions will be noted by a Remote Proctoring label. Our institution is listed as **U of Pikeville**. It is very important that you choose the correct institution so that we will receive your transcript.
- Step 3: **Check your email!** Following registration, you will receive an email confirmation from ATI. This includes test information and system requirements.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEAS EXAM**

- The TEAS is taken once per admission year. A minimum score of 55 is required. **No retakes within a 12 month period are allowed.**
- Be sure to remember your username/password combination of your ATI account you create. The proctor will not have or be able to retrieve that information.
- Valid picture identification is required. You will be asked to identify yourself on camera.
- Remote proctoring requirements:
  - Browser: Google Chrome
  - Microphone: Any microphone, either internal or external
  - Webcam: 320 x 240 VGA resolution (minimum); internal or external
  - Internet Speed: .5 – 1.0 Mbps. Test your internet speed using [www.speedtest.net](http://www.speedtest.net)
  - Clear your internet browsing history and cookies before starting the test

Contact the Elliott School of Nursing at 606-218-5750 if additional information is needed.