

## ***Admission Criteria for Practical Nursing Program***

### **Minimum admission standards for the Practical Nursing Program include:**

1. Unconditional admission to the college:
  - a) Complete the admissions application for J.F. Drake.
  - b) Attach a copy of your unofficial transcripts (from all colleges attended).**
  - c) Submit original transcripts from your high school (or GED certificate), and every college attended.
  - d) Take the COMPASS placement examination.
2. Receipt of completed application for the nursing program before deadline.
3. A minimum of 2.50 cumulative GPA for students with previous college work.
4. A minimum of 2.50 high school GPA for students without prior college work (GED acceptable in lieu of high school transcript).
5. Eligibility for English 101 and Math 116, as determined by J.F. Drake State Technical College policy:
  - Eligibility for English 101 and Math 116 are determined by the COMPASS placement examination.
  - If the student does not meet the COMPASS requirement, appropriate developmental courses need to be completed before admission to the nursing program.
  - NOTE: students must repeat COMPASS reading exam after remediation to get a score of 76 or higher.
6. Be in good standing with the college.
7. Meet essential functions or technical standards required for nursing.
8. A score of 76 or higher on the COMPASS reading examination (or related ACT reading score of 17 or higher).
9. Receipt of completed and signed (a) Drake admissions application form, (b) unofficial transcripts, (c) all official transcripts, and (d) application for the practical nursing program, to the Admissions office, on or before the application deadline for the term you are applying for. Deadlines are posted on Drake's website. Application forms for the LPN program are available in the nursing department in building G, or the admissions office in Building E, or can be downloaded from the Drake website.

Please contact Mrs. Hyman in G4, at 256-551-3156.

Admission to the practical nursing program is competitive, and the number of students is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available.

Remember, **meeting minimum admission standards does not guarantee acceptance!**

Questions?

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Application Deadlines: Spring – October 1; summer – March 1; Fall – June 1.