

Bluegrass Community and Technical College

Selective Admissions Health Sciences Program Guide

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General Selective Admissions Guidelines

- The process for applying to a selective admissions program(s) is a Complete Application Packet format.
- Students are permitted to apply for up to TWO selective admissions programs per year.
 - If you are applying to multiple programs you will need to turn in two separate admissions packets/envelopes with the required documents for each program.
 - You may only apply to ONE location per program.
- Each program has a strict deadline, packets turned in after the deadline will not be reviewed.
- Each program has required prerequisite courses, this guide does not detail pre requisite course requirements please view program websites and curriculum guides for more information or schedule an appointment with a health sciences advisor.
- ALL published admissions criteria are included in this document, if admissions criteria are not listed it is not available to the public.
- Each program requires specific documents for applying.
 - Even if you have applied before, we will need all documents resubmitted to the Office of Admissions.
 - Incomplete packets will not be reviewed.
- Place all required documents into a large envelope and turn it into:
 - ❖ The Office of Admissions (Cooper Campus) 203 Oswald Building [QR](#)
 - ❖ The One Stop Student Service Center (Leestown Campus), Building C
 - ❖ [QR](#) you may mail your packet to (please allow ample time if you are mailing your packet):

Bluegrass Community and Technical College
ATTN: Office of Admissions - Selective Admissions
203 Oswald Building
470 Cooper Drive
Lexington, KY 40506

You will receive an automated e-mail informing you when your packet has been processed. To check on the status of your application you will need to login to your [Selective Admissions System](#) account.

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Associates Degree Nursing (To become an RN)

Application Deadlines

The ADN program is available on our Leestown and Lawrenceburg campuses. Both programs admit new students for the Fall semester. These instructions are for initial admit applications, please see page 6 to see if you qualify for advanced standing admissions.

You may only apply to ONE ADN program, you must choose between Lawrenceburg or Leestown.

Deadline to apply is February 15th

Admission Steps:

- Create a [Selective Admissions System Account](#). Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process. **You must submit the checklist with your packet.**
- Students who are not currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must fill out an [application for admission](#)
- Take the NLN-PAX-RN Exam. Please see attached *Creating NLN Account Guide* to create your NLN account, after creating your account sign up to take the exam at our Leestown testing center [HERE](#).
 - Official scores from the National League for Nursing (NLN-PAX-RN) Pre-Admission Test must be within three years. [Frequently Asked Questions about the NLN Exam](#)
- In order to be considered for admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program, each applicant must attend a mandatory [preadmission conference](#) for the campus they plan to apply to.

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Checklist from Selective Admissions Account
- ✓ Official NLN-PAX Scores (The Testing Center can provide an official copy with a seal, call or email
- ✓ Certificate/Quiz from Pre-Admissions Conference
- ✓ Any transcript(s) NOT already on file with BCTC (please email bl-selectiveadmissions@kctcs.edu for questions regarding transcripts)

For more information, please visit the Associate Degree Nursing program website [HERE](#).

Admissions Criteria for initial admit ADN applications:

Categories

Admission Ranking

1

NLN PAX-RN:

- Reading Score: $\geq 60\%$
- Science Score: $\geq 60\%$
- GPA: ≥ 3.0 / High School GPA: ≥ 3.0
- Comprehensive Score: ≥ 111

2

NLN PAX-RN:

- Reading Score: $\geq 55\%$
- Science Score: $\geq 55\%$
- GPA: ≥ 2.75 / High School GPA: ≥ 2.75
- Comprehensive Score: ≥ 105

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NLN PAX-RN:

- Reading Score: $\geq 50\%$
- Science Score: $\geq 50\%$
- GPA: ≥ 2.50 / High School GPA: ≥ 2.50
- Comprehensive Score: ≥ 100

**All NLN PAX-RN exams must be three years or less upon applying to the nursing program. Students will be ranked within each category by 1st Reading score; 2nd science score; 3rd GPA; 4th comprehensive score. A student will be allowed to repeat the NLN PAX-RN exam every 3 months.

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Associate Degree Nursing: Advanced Standing Admissions Guide - LPN to RN Bridge

Students who qualify for Advanced Standing:

- Have taken nursing courses at an accredited college.
- Have taken nursing courses at BCTC.
- Successfully graduated from PN program (LPN to RN Bridge for Spring semester).

Application Deadline:

The LPN to RN bridge program admits new students for the Spring semester. All advanced standing application packets must be received in the Office of Admissions November 15th to be considered for advanced standing admission to the nursing program.

Steps to Apply:

- Create a [Selective Admissions System Account](#). Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process. **You must submit the checklist with your packet.**
- In order to be considered for admission to the Advanced Standing Associate Degree Nursing Program, each applicant must attend a mandatory [preadmission conference](#) for the campus they plan to apply to.
- Submit a completed application for admission to BCTC (Only if you are not a current student).
- Submit official transcripts for ALL colleges, universities, and/or vocational schools attended since high school (Only if they are not already on file with BCTC)
- Submit official NLN PAX-RN Exam Scores, must be within the last 3 years.
- Submit two letters of recommendation from previous clinical nursing for (readmit or transfer students only).

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Checklist from Selective admissions account
- ✓ Official NLN Scores
- ✓ Any transcripts not already on file with BCTC
- ✓ Confirmation sheet from Pre-Admissions Conference
- ✓ Two Letters of Recommendation (ONLY if you are a readmit or transfer student)

For more information, please visit the Associate Degree Nursing program website [HERE](#).

Admissions Criteria for Advanced Standing ADN applicants:

Advanced Standing Admission Ranking

Category	Admission Ranking
1	BCTC Readmit Students NLN PAX-RN: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading Score: $\geq 45\%$• Science Score: $\geq 45\%$• GPA: ≥ 2.0• Comprehensive Score: ≥ 99
2	LPN students NLN PAX-RN: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading Score: $\geq 45\%$• Science Score: $\geq 45\%$• GPA: ≥ 2.5• Comprehensive Score: ≥ 99
3	Transfer students NLN PAX-RN: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading Score: $\geq 55\%$• Science Score: $\geq 55\%$• GPA: ≥ 2.75• Comprehensive Score: ≥ 105

**All NLN PAX-RN exams must be three years or less upon applying to the nursing program. Students can retake the NLN PAX-RN exam every 3 months. Students will be ranked within each category by 1st Reading score; 2nd science score; 3rd GPA; 4th comprehensive score

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LPN Program Selective Admissions

Application Deadlines

The LPN program is available on our Leestown and Danville campuses. Leestown admits new students for both Fall and Spring semesters. Danville admits new students for fall semesters.

March 1ST for Fall applicants (Leestown and Danville)

October 1st for Spring applicants (Leestown campus only)

Steps to Apply:

- Create a [Selective Admissions System account](#). Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process. **You must submit the checklist with your packet.**
- Official scores of the National League for Nursing (NLN-PAX-PN) Pre-Admission Test
 - Create an NLN account – see “Creating NLN account” page for instructions on making NLN account
 - [Sign up to take the NLN at the Leestown testing center](#) after you’ve created your NLN account
- In order to be considered for admission to the LPN program, each applicant must attend a mandatory [preadmission conference](#) for the campus they plan to apply to.

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Selective Admissions Check List
- ✓ Official NLN scores
- ✓ Sheet from the Pre-Admissions conference

For more information, please visit the Practical Nursing program website [HERE](#).

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Dental Hygiene Application Packet Information

Application Deadline

The Dental Hygiene program accepts new applicants to start in the Fall semesters. The deadline to apply is February 15th. Please turn in your packet to the Office of Admissions, Cooper Campus.

Steps to Apply:

- Create a [Selective Admissions System](#) account. Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process.
- Students who are not currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must fill out an [application for admission](#) and a complete packet of all documents.
- Official scores of the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). (We will accept ACT or SAT scores on official high school transcripts.)
 - **This is a requirement for ALL students regardless of how many college credit hours you have obtained.**
- Official transcripts of all post-secondary education attempted. Transcripts must be submitted from EACH college or university previously attended and must show every period of enrollment. Transcripts from KCTCS do not need to be submitted.
- In order to be considered for admission to the Dental Hygiene Program, each applicant must attend a mandatory preadmission conference with the Program Coordinator. Please refer to the [preadmission conference website](#) for further information.
- Evidence of observation and/or work in a dental environment as documented on the [Dental Hygiene Observation/Work Experience Form](#).
 - Minimum of 4 hours observation.

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Checklist from Selective Admissions Account
- ✓ Official ACT Scores
- ✓ [Dental Hygiene Observation/Work Experience Form](#).
- ✓ Certificate/Quiz from Pre-Admissions Conference
- ✓ Any transcript(s) NOT already on file with BCTC (please email bl-selectiveadmissions@kctcs.edu for questions regarding transcripts)

Who has the best chance of getting in?

KY residents, ACT score of at least 21, total college GPA of 3.5 on 18 or more college hours or 3.0 with a bachelor's degree and the more science courses you have completed with a grade of B or above the better.

For more information, please visit the Dental Hygiene program website [HERE](#).

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Sonography Program Information & Admissions

Application Deadline

The Sonography program accepts new applicants each Fall, the deadline to apply is **March 1**.

How to Apply:

Gather all of the documents required below for consideration to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography-Cardiac Track and place them in one envelope:

- Create a [Selective Admissions System](#) account. Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process.
- Students who are currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must submit a complete packet of all documents listed here. Students who are not currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must fill out an [application for admission](#) and submit a complete packet of all documents.
- Submit official scores of the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT)
 - This is required regardless of how many college credit hours you have completed.
- Official transcripts of all post-secondary education attempted. Transcripts must be submitted from **EACH** college or university previously attended and must show every period of enrollment. Transcripts from the Kentucky Community and Technical College System do not need to be submitted.
- Students are required to view the [Admissions Diagnostic Medical Sonography Presentation](#) to review admission requirements. However, it is recommended that each applicant attend the [preadmission conference](#) for the latest program updates and to ask questions about the process. Please refer to the preadmission conference website for dates and times.
- Students intending to start the program in Fall 2022 will also be required to complete an interview for admissions.

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Checklist from Selective Admissions Account
- ✓ Official ACT or SAT Scores
- ✓ Certificate/Quiz from Pre-Admissions Conference
- ✓ Any transcript(s) NOT already on file with BCTC (please email bl-selectiveadmissions@kctcs.edu for questions regarding transcripts)

For more information, please visit the Sonography program website [HERE](#).

Admissions Criteria for Sonography applicants:

The following criteria will be evaluated for each applicant. Preference points will be added for each criteria as listed below; a maximum of 25 preference points may be possible.

1. ACT or SAT composite score equivalent

ACT Score	Preference Points
30-36	5
25-29	4
23-24	3
21-22	2
20 or less	0

2. Cumulative GPA (includes all 100 level or above college credits)

Cumulative GPA	Preference Points
3.75-4.00	6
3.50-3.74	5
3.25-3.49	4
3.00-3.24	3
2.75-2.99	2
2.50-2.74	1
< 2.50	0

3. **Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences Courses**

Preference points (pts) will be applied for grades in these courses as follows: A - 3 pts, B - 2 pts, C - 1 pt

Preferred courses that can earn these points are:

- BIO 137 Human Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIO 139 Human Anatomy & Physiology II
- PHY 171 Applied Physics

4. **Allied Health Program preference**

Preference may be given to applicants who have graduated or are in their final semester of a two-year accredited Allied Health program or have the minimum of an Associate of Applied Science Degree in a clinically related field.

Graduate applicant transcript must show the degree awarded (Associate of Science or Associate of Applied Science). Five (5) preference points added.

Pending graduate applicant additionally must submit a signed letter from their Program Director/Coordinator documenting the student's date of completion or graduation. Three (3) preference points added.

**Applicants in this category must submit the required documentation in order to receive preference points.*

(Note: in the event of a tie, the cumulative GPA will be used for selection)

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Respiratory Care Program

Application Deadline

The Respiratory Care program accepts new applicants each Fall, the deadline to apply is **May 1st**.

How to Apply:

Create a [Selective Admissions System](#) account. Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process.

- Students who are currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must submit a complete packet of all documents listed here. Students who are not currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must fill out an [application for admission](#) and submit a complete packet of all documents.
- Official transcripts of all post-secondary education attempted. Transcripts must be submitted from **EACH** college or university previously attended and must show every period of enrollment. Transcripts from the Kentucky Community and Technical College System do not need to be submitted.
- Attend a [Pre-Admission Conference](#)

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Checklist from Selective Admissions Account
- ✓ Certificate/Quiz from Pre-Admissions Conference
- ✓ Any transcript(s) NOT already on file with BCTC (please email bl-selectiveadmissions@kctcs.edu for questions regarding transcripts)

Admissions Criteria:

- You will need a minimum 2.0 GPA in order to apply to the program
- Only 20 Students are accepted each year
 - The higher your GPA is, the more likely you will be admitted into the program
 - A competitive GPA is 3.0 or higher

For more information, please visit the Respiratory Care program website [HERE](#).

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Radiography Program Admissions Information

Application Deadline

The Radiography Program accepts new applicants each Fall, the deadline to apply is **March 1st**.

How to Apply:

- Create a [Selective Admissions System](#) account. Once you have an active account you can print a program checklist to begin the process. **You must submit the checklist with your packet.**
- Students who are currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must submit a complete packet of all documents listed here. Students who are not currently enrolled in classes at BCTC must fill out an [application for admission](#) and a complete packet of all documents.
- Official transcripts of all post-secondary education attempted. Transcripts must be submitted from EACH college or university previously attended and must show every period of enrollment. Transcripts from the Kentucky Community and Technical College System do not need to be submitted.
- To be considered for admission to the Radiography Program, each applicant must attend a mandatory [preadmission conference](#) with the Program Coordinator.

Your packet must include:

- ✓ Checklist from Selective Admissions Account
- ✓ Certificate/Quiz from Pre-Admissions Conference
- ✓ Any transcript(s) NOT already on file with BCTC (please email bl-selectiveadmissions@kctcs.edu for questions regarding transcripts)

Admissions Criteria:

- You will need a minimum 2.5 GPA in order to apply to the program
- Only 25 Students are accepted each year
 - The higher your GPA is, the more likely you will be admitted into the program
 - A competitive GPA is 3.0 or higher
- An **active** nurse license (CNA) will increase your chance of being admitted into the program.

For more information, please visit the Radiography program website [HERE](#).

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Creating a New NLN Account

You must create an account before you can take the NLN-PAX exam for the Nursing program. Creating an account will permit the testing staff to administer your test on your exam date.

Go to: <https://ondemand.questionmark.com/home/405669/user/register/site/5ea1fdb0950e1> and complete all required fields.

1. Username

In this field enter something that will be easy to remember. You will need to remember this to log back in later. We strongly recommend using your email address.

NO SPECIAL CHARACTERS are allowed except periods, hyphens, apostrophes, and underscores.

2. Email Address

Please enter a valid email address. All e-mails from the system will be sent to this address.

3. First Name

Please enter your complete first name (Given name) in this field. Do not use a “nick” name.

4. Last Name

Please enter your complete Last name (Surname) in this field. Both the first and last names entered while creating your account will be used on your official score reports for the exams that you take.

5. Primary Phone

Please list a phone number that we can easily reach you with.

6. School Membership

Select “Bluegrass Community and Technical College”.

7. Time Zone

Your time zone setting will be automatically detected. Do not change!!!

8. Address

Please enter your current address in the fields provided: Country, Address 1, Address 2, City, State, and Zip Code.

9. Date of Birth

Fairly straight forward, enter your date of birth by following the mm/dd/year format.

10. Demographics

All of the questions under the Demographics heading are research questions and are OPTIONAL. If you do not want to participate, select "N/A" or "none."

11. Saving

Once you have finished you may select the Create new Account button on the bottom of the screen.

12.

Access your email to access the link to set your NLN password.

13.

Visit <https://www2.registerblast.com/bluegrass/Exam/List> to pay your test administration fee and sign up to take the exam at the Leestown Testing Center.

[NLN PAX FAQs](#)

[Testing Center Policies](#)

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Kentucky Work Ready Scholarship

All programs listed in this packet are eligible for the Kentucky Work Ready Scholarship. Student's must be ADMITTED to the program in order to receive the scholarship, the scholarship does not cover prerequisite courses. Once a student is accepted to a selective admissions health program, they may apply for the Work Ready scholarship via KHEAA's website.

In addition to being enrolled in an eligible degree program, students must also meet the following criteria:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Be a Kentucky resident
- Be a high school graduate or be enrolled in or have completed a General Educational Development (GED) Program
- Have not earned an associate's or higher degree
- Not be enrolled in an ineligible degree program, such as a bachelor or other associate program, at the same or any other institution
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress as determined by the eligible postsecondary institution
- Not be in default on any Title IV program or KHEAA administered program

How to Apply

1. Complete the FAFSA
2. Complete the Work Ready Application on KHEAA's website (full instructions on next page)



Work Ready KY Scholarship Application Instructions

1. Go to KHEAA.com
2. Click “sign in” in the upper right-hand corner
3. Login or create a username and password & login
4. Select “My KHEAA”

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Welcome to MyKHEAA previously known as Zip Access. MyKHEAA allows you to view information about your KHEAA scholarship, grant, or student loan.

MyKHEAA also allows you to upload documents required for various KHEAA services.

[Change Password](#) [Sign Out](#)

- **MyKHEAA** - View Account Information
- [KHEAA Document Upload](#)
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- [Advantage Loan Document Upload](#)
- [Print Your Stafford MPN](#)
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- [Access an Existing Application](#)

5. Select “Apply Online for Scholarships”



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- ▶ [Apply Online for Scholarships](#)
- ▶ [My Individual Learning Plan](#)
- ▶ [Getting the Facts - Your Personalized College Guide](#)

6. Select “Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship”



Apply Online

Use the links below to apply for a KHEAA scholarship:

- [Teacher Scholarship](#)
(Deadline: 05/01/2019)
- [Early Childhood Development Scholarship](#)
(Deadline: 11/15/2019)
- [Kentucky Coal County College Completion Scholarship](#)
(Deadline: 06/10/2019)
- [Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship](#)

To apply for Federal Financial Aid go to the [FAFSA](#) site.

7. Complete application and submit

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