



SHP Registered Nursing for Emergency Medical Service & Military Personnel Admission Packet

SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (CCBC) CATONSVILLE & ESSEX CAMPUSES

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RN for Emergency Medical Service & Military Personnel

Welcome

On behalf of the School of Health Professions, thank you for your interest in the Registered Nursing for Emergency Medical Service and Military Personnel cohort. Applicants in this program do not compete for admission with the general nursing applicant population but compete within the cohort itself. Students accepted into this cohort complete the entire, two year, registered nursing curriculum.

Please carefully review the information contained within this guide to ensure you have completed all steps required for admissions consideration.

I wish you the best with submission of your admissions application.

Catonsville RN Program Director, Dr. Betty Webster

Essex RN Program Director, Dr. Mary Kay DeMarco

Program Description

This cohort is an admission option into the Registered Nursing program for EMT or higher and service member or military personnel. The RN program is a two year Associate of Science program with clinical placements typically found within the Baltimore County Metropolitan area. Admitted students are expected to participate within the program and at assigned clinical placements for the entirety of their time within the program.

If you are interested in financial benefits, applicants must pursue CCBC Financial Aid or Veterans Services as these processes are separate from the RN admission process.

Students have the option to enter one of the following nursing options. Catonsville Day or Blended Program or Essex Day or Evening/Weekend. Choices are made within the questions area of the SHP CAS application.

Application to the School of Health Professions (SHP) is a separate and competitive process from admission to CCBC. CCBC uses an outside vendor to manage the applications in the School of Health Professions Central Application Service (SHP CAS). The SHP CAS and CCBC are separate systems and do not share information. You must submit two applications and sets of transcripts, one to CCBC and one to SHP CAS. Send inquiries to shpseat@ccbcmd.edu.



Application and TEAS Deadlines

Application Deadline	TEAS Deadline
August 15 th for Spring Start	August 1st
January 31st for Fall Start	January 15 th

Accreditation

The Program is accredited by the Maryland Board of Nursing and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

ACEN
3343 Peachtree Road NE,
Suite 850
Atlanta, Georgia 30326
www.acenursing.org
(404) 975-5000

Required Entry Exam

Students must register for the ATI TEAS test, complete the test, and submit official scores to CCBC TEAS. TEAS scores are valid for two years. If the TEAS exam was taken more than two years, to the day, before the TEAS exam deadline for your program, you will need to retake the exam.

The minimum scores for admission to CCBC Nursing are listed below. If you do not participate in the ATI TEAS, your application will not be evaluated. Students who do not meet these minimum scores may not be reviewed for admission.

- o Overall PROFICIENT (58.7%) or higher
- Reading 69.0% or higher

Additional information on how to register to take the TEAS assessment can be found at: <u>Link to TEAS Testing Information http://www.ccbcmd.edu/Programs-and-Courses/Schools-andAcademic-Departments/School-of-Health-Professions/School-of-Health-ProfessionsAdmissions-Office/TEAS-Testing.aspx</u>. Report test results to CCBC TEAS.



Required Prerequisite Coursework

Students <u>must have completed</u> or be currently enrolled in and scheduled to complete the following required courses prior to application deadline, for admission consideration. All courses must be completed with a C or better.

Fall cohorts:

• Summer and fall courses that are in progress will not be considered for admission.

Spring blended cohort:

• Winter and spring courses that are in progress will not be considered for admission.

The following courses are **required** for admission:

Prerequisite Courses

BIOL 110 Biology I: Molecules and Cells* (4 credits)

BIOL 220 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credits)

BIOL 221 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4 credits)

BIOL 230 Microbiology (4 credits)

PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (3 credits)

PSYC 103 Principles of Human Growth and Development (3 credits

ENGL 101 (3 credits)

General Education Arts & Humanities/Diversity Elective (3 credits)

*Recommended: PHIL 240 Ethics (after Fall 2021)

General Education Math Requirements (3-4 credits)

*Recommended: MATH 125 or MATH 153

CMNS 101 Fundamentals of Communication (3 credits)

BIOL 110 Biology I: Molecules and Cells may be a prerequisite for BIOL 220 and BIOL 230. The requirement may be waived for students transferring BIOL 220 and/or BIOL 230. It is not required for admission into the program, however may be required for graduation.

Minimum Admission Criteria

Applicants will be selected for the program after scores are received for the ATI TEAS preadmission test. The following criteria to select applicants will be applied:



- 1. Current state certification or licensure as an EMT or higher or verification of military service, i.e. DD form 214 documentation.
- 2. EMT applicants must have NREMT certification as EMT, AEMT or Paramedic.
- 3. Successful completion of listed prerequisite courses or current enrollment in prerequisite courses for the appropriate semester.
- 4. Completion of the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) by the TEAS deadline and with a satisfactory score.
- 5. A <u>minimum</u> GPA of <u>2.50</u> on the prerequisite, general education and program required courses.
 - 6. An overall CCBC GPA of at least 2.00 on any courses completed at CCBC.
 - 7. Prior to application review, official transcripts from all colleges (except CCBC) must be evaluated by the CCBC Registrar's Office for transfer of credit. Only courses that transfer into CCBC will be considered for admission. Review the "How to submit your final transcript" section of the Apply Now webpage at: https://www.ccbcmd.edu/Get-Started/Take-classes/Take-a-credit-class/Transfer-to-CCBC-from-another-college.aspx. It is strongly recommended that SHP applicants speak specifically with a Health Professions Pathways Advisor early in the application process to review courses required for admission and graduation.

Transfer of Credit

Beginning with the Fall 2023 semester, CCBC updated its general education transfer process following the MD Transfer with Success Act. DegreeWorks is displaying transfer courses according to the new rules. Students admitted into a selective admission, SHP program for the 2023-2024 catalog year will be grandfathered with the previous policy and not required to take requirements previously met by transferred courses. Students who are admitted into a selective admissions program in Fall 2024 or later must take courses as listed in the CCBC catalog and their DegreeWorks audit.

Steps for Admission

- 1. Apply for admission to CCBC at http://www.ccbcmd.edu/apply
- 2. Participate in assessment testing, if necessary.
- 3. Complete prerequisite courses as necessary.
- 4. Complete ATI TEAS testing by deadline.
- Once you have your CCBC Student ID number, log into
 https://shp.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login and apply to the program by the application deadline. The non-refundable \$50 application fee is due at time of submission.



- a. If you need assistance with the program application, you can watch the video in the application or,
- b. You can watch our YouTube video showing an application walkthrough at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGjjlbh2aheqelcxERFZ99w?view-as=subscriber
- 6. It is the sole responsibility of the student to ensure that all documents have been received or uploaded into the SHP CAS by the application deadline.
- 7. Applicants will receive an **email** inviting them to complete the **CCBC SHP Supplemental application** once their program SHP CAS application has been verified. Instructions will be in the email.

Transcripts

Official transcripts from <u>ALL</u> US colleges and universities attended by the applicant are required to be submitted to the SHP CAS <u>and</u> to the CCBC Registrar. Official AP and CLEP scores should be sent directly to the CCBC Registrar/Office of Enrollment Services. The unofficial score report of AP or CLEP, may be sent directly to the School of Health Professions Admissions office. Do not send AP or CLEP scores to the SHP CAS.

Please read these instructions carefully. Transcripts should be sent to the SHP CAS Transcript Processing Center <u>and</u> to CCBC, 4 to 6 weeks prior to the application deadline. If the program that you are applying only requires an unofficial transcript sent to the SHP CAS, you must still submit Official Transcripts to CCBC for transfer of credit.

How to Send Transcripts to the SHP CAS

- 1. Enter your colleges or universities in the **Colleges Attended** section of the application before requesting any transcripts.
- 2. Click **ORDER** under each school you have listed.
- 3. You may choose to send the transcript electronically (recommended) or as a paper copy through the US Postal System. You only need to submit one transcript from each school regardless of the number of programs you are applying.

To Send an Electronic Transcript

- Choose one of the e-transcript services listed. CCBC uses Parchment. Search for the school that you attended. Complete the prompts to make an account. You will be asked where you would like the credential/transcript sent, type SHP CAS into the search bar.
- You will then be asked for the Application ID, this number is found in the 'Order Your Official Transcript' screen in the SHP CAS application, in Step 3. Copy and paste the number in the space on the e-transcript service page.
- o Complete the form request by signing and paying for the transcript. You will receive a receipt that the transcript has been ordered.



To Send a Paper Copy Using the US Postal Service

You can use the mail system to send paper copies of your Official Transcript. Click on the word 'Order', chose Option 2: Order a Mailed Paper Transcript. Click 'Download Transcript ID Form' and print the form. Contact the Registrar at each institution you attended and request one official transcript be sent to SHP CAS.

Provide the Registrar with the following items:

- o SHP CAS Transcript ID Form. Ask the Registrar to attach it to your official transcripts. This form is not required, but strongly recommended as it helps ensure your official transcripts are properly matched to your application. If you cannot use this form, make sure the registrar prints "SHP CAS" and your full SHP CAS ID number on the transcript before mailing it.
 - 1. Give the Registrar this mailing address:
 SHP CAS Transcript Processing Center
 PO Box 9134
 Watertown, MA 02471

How to Send Transcripts to the CCBC Registrar

Use this link to send your transcripts from all colleges attended, except CCBC, to CCBC Enrollment Services: https://www.ccbcmd.edu/Get-Started/Take-classes/Take-a-credit-class/Transfer-to-CCBC-from-another-college.aspx. Evaluation of your application will be delayed if you do not submit transcripts to the CCBC Registrar's Office.

How to Verify that Transcripts are Received

Applicants are responsible for checking to see that the official transcripts have been received at the required locations (SHP CAS <u>AND</u> CCBC)

- 1. SHP CAS log into your CAS applications and select the Check Status tab in the upper right corner. All expected transcripts will be listed and it will be noted if the transcript has been received or not. Contact the SHP CAS directly by clicking on the blue question mark at the top of the application if you have questions about your transcript.
- 2. CCBC Enrollment Services Log into your CCBC SIMON account to determine if your transcripts have been received and to review any transfer of credits. You can contact transfereval@ccbcmd.edu if you have a question about courses that may or may not have been transferred into CCBC.

How to Send CLEP, AP and/or International College Transcript Evaluations

1. Send Official scores and evaluation directly to the CCBC Registrar office using this link, https://www.ccbcmd.edu/Get-Started/Take-classes/Take-a-credit-class/Transfer-to-CCBC-from-another-college.aspx. Unofficial copies can be sent to the SHP Admission Office at, shpseat@ccbcmd.edu.



Admission Response

Admissions decisions are emailed to students approximately 6 to 8 weeks after the application deadline.

Applicants who are offered a seat in the program and choose to accept that seat, are required to pay a non-refundable \$200 seat fee to accept their offer of admission and reserve their space in the RN programs. The fee will be applied to the student account after the first several weeks of class. Students who accept a seat and then do not attend the program will not be eligible for a refund of the fee.

Post Admission

Applicants should be aware that the following items will be required to progress in the clinical/practicum components of the program. Further information will be provided by the program director.

- Provide proof of current CPR certification at the Healthcare Provider Level. If you need information about CPR courses, <u>CPR Link https://cpr.heart.org/en/cpr-courses-andkits/healthcare-professional/basic-life-support-bls-training</u>
- Proof of a recent physical examination with current immunizations, including COVID 19
- Proof of current health insurance,
- · Criminal background investigation, and
- Drug screening.

Important Information

- The nursing program highly recommends that students complete all required non-nursing prior to beginning the program.
- In order to progress through and graduate from the nursing program, students must successfully complete all courses with a grade of "C" or better.
- If a student earned a D or F as the last grade in a prerequisite, even if the student is currently enrolled in the repeat, the student is not eligible to apply for the nursing program. The student must first replace the D or F grade with a passing grade. Once the new grade has been posted on the student's transcript, then the student will be eligible to apply during the following admission cycle.
- Students who have failed out of a nursing program or have earned two failing grades in another nursing program are not eligible to apply for admission to the CCBC RN program for a period of 3 years, counting from the semester of the failure.



- o Students who have a W, D or F in a Nursing course taken within 3 years of the program start <u>MUST</u> submit a letter or email directly from that program's Director stating that they are in good standing within the program and are currently admissible if they wish to be considered for a CCBC RN program.
- Applicants may apply to only one RN program per semester start. An applicant may not, for example, apply to both RN Blended at Catonsville and RN Days at Essex for the same start.

Who to Contact

Academic Advising – Advising is available at all campuses and extension centers. Please ask to speak with a **Health Professions Pathways Advisor** only.

For the Catonsville campus call 443840-4382 or visit the Student Services Center room 102. For the Essex campus call 443-840-1973 or visit the Student Services Center room 120A. For the Dundalk campus, call 443-840-3816 or visit the Student Services Center room 102. The hours, addresses and phone numbers for all sites can be found by calling 443-840-2222 or online at http://www.ccbcmd.edu/Resources-for-Students/Academic-Advisement/Contact-an-AcademicAdvisor.aspx.

School of Health Professions Office of Admissions at 443-840-1989 or email shpseat@ccbcmd.edu



Associate Registered Nursing Program – Technical Standards

- ♦ Have the academic ability to learn a large volume of technically detailed information and be able to synthesize and use this data to solve complex clinical problems. This information must be acquired in a short and intense period of study which requires well developed study skills, a high level of motivation and may require considerable personal and financial sacrifice
- ♦ Have the mental, emotional, physical ability and stamina to complete the program in the required sequence
- Possess the emotional maturity and stability to approach highly stressful human situations in a calm, safe, and rational manner
- ♦ Have well developed oral and written English language communication skills
- Be physically and academically prepared to participate in clinical assignments which occur at different times in a variety of geographic locations
- ♦ Carry health insurance and provide documentation of same, and have Health Care Provider CPR certification
- Display strong ethical integrity consistent with working as a health care professional
- Have the minimum physical abilities in the areas of sensory function, handeye coordination, auditory ability, and neuromuscular control to competently perform the technical activities that are a critical part of the program curriculum and profession, including:
 - 1. Performing in depth physical assessments;
 - 2. Working on one's feet up to 8-12 hours;
 - 3. Performing common procedures that require fine motor skills such as vital sign measurement, injections, dressing changes, medication administration
 - 4. Performing common procedures that require large motor skills such as stooping, bending and lifting, turning, transferring and ambulating adult patients.

Declaration - I have read and understand the technical standards required for the Nursing Program. I hereby declare that I am able to meet the above-listed essential technical standards. *BE SURE TO SUBMIT WITH APPLICATION*.

Name of Applicant (Print or type)	Signature of Applicant/Date

