

**COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA**  
**Fall 2026 Associate Degree Nursing Program Selection Criteria**

Applicants will be ranked and selected based on the following point system:

➤ **CUMULATIVE PREREQUISITE GPA:**

- 2.50 – 2.75 = 1 point
- 2.76 – 3.00 = 2 points
- 3.01 – 3.25 = 3 points
- 3.26 – 3.50 = 4 points
- 3.51 – 3.75 = 5 points
- 3.76 – 4.00 = 6 points

➤ **PREREQUISITES COMPLETED WITH A “B” OR ABOVE IN ONE (1) ATTEMPT\*:**

- BIOL 189 (2 points)
- BIOL 223 (2 points)
- BIOL 224 (2 points)
- MATH 120 or 120E or higher - except 122 & 123 (2 points)

\*Note: The maximum number of attempts for any Limited Entry Program Prerequisite course is three (3); however, points **will not** be awarded for a second or third attempt. A grade of B- is not acceptable for points.

➤ **GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES COMPLETED WITH A “B” OR ABOVE IN TWO (2) ATTEMPTS OR LESS\*\*:**

- BIOL 251 (5 points)
- COM 101 **OR** Communication 215 (5 points)
- SOC 101 (1 point)
- U.S. & Nevada Constitution: PSC 101 **OR** HIST 100 **OR** History 101 *and* History 102 **OR** History 101 *and* History 217 (1 point)

\*\*Note: There is no limit on the number of attempts for General Education courses; however, points **will not** be awarded for a third attempt or more. A grade of B- is not acceptable for points.

➤ **HEALTH CARE EXPERIENCE:** (examples can include, but are not limited to: CNA, EMT, corpsmen, lab tech, x-ray tech, EKG tech, pharmacy tech)

- Credentialed Health Occupation (1 point)  
-A copy of the **current** credential/license must be supplied.
- Paid Health Care Work Experience (1 point): Minimum of six (6) months within two (2) years of application deadline date. Experience must involve direct patient contact and care. Clerical work will not meet the requirement.  
-The Health Care Experience Documentation form must be completed by employer indicating work responsibilities and length of employment. The form is available online at  
[https://www.csn.edu/sites/default/files/pdf\\_file/0029/181757/Nursing-Work-Exp-form.pdf](https://www.csn.edu/sites/default/files/pdf_file/0029/181757/Nursing-Work-Exp-form.pdf)

➤ **ATI TEST OF ESSENTIAL ACADEMIC SKILLS (TEAS):** (Points will be awarded if scores meet or exceed cutoffs within the first three attempts. **Expired attempts are included in total number of attempts for point purposes.**)

- TEAS results are valid for five (5) years.\*
- TEAS scores that are older than five (5) years at the time of application will not be considered.
- Applicants have **unlimited** attempts to take & pass the TEAS exam with **no minimum waiting period** in between TEAS attempts.
- Applicants who fail to establish the minimum cut-off score in **each** area will be required to re-take the **entire** exam.
- Each test is considered a combined complete entity. There will be NO combination of scores from separate tests. Test scores will not be rounded up.
- The **TEAS Registration Information** is available online at:  
<https://www.csn.edu/csn-teas>
- **Students who have taken the TEAS in another state and/or institution must have their scores officially transferred to CSN before their specified application deadline ~ go to <https://www.atitesting.com/teas/ati-teas-transcript>**

\*The application deadline date is used as the reference point for time frames.

**PLEASE NOTE: TEAS COMPONENTS WITH MINIMUM CUT-OFF SCORES IN ORDER TO QUALIFY TO APPLY:**

<b>TEAS</b>			
<b>AREA OF TESTING</b>	<b>MINIMUM CUT-OFF SCORE</b>	<b>MEETS/EXCEEDS HIGHER CUT-OFF (in 1<sup>st</sup> 3 attempts for pts)</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
READING	75%	80% or higher	5 points
MATH	75%	80% or higher	10 points
ENGLISH	70%		
SCIENCE	75%	80% or higher	10 points

**EXCEPTION:** Students may apply with minimum test scores of 75% in Reading, 60% in Math, 60% in English, and 60% in Science; however, zero points will be awarded for the TEAS and selection into the program will only be considered if space is available, after all qualified applicants have been selected.

- **REAPPLYING STUDENTS\*\*:** (Students who are reapplying following a withdrawal or dismissal after matriculation into the program)
- 1<sup>st</sup> reapplication = 5% total point deduction
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> reapplication = 10% total point deduction

\*\*Note: Point Deduction **does not apply** to first time applicants or applicants who were not accepted and are now reapplying.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT  
FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING (ADN)**

**ADN program applicants are required to be proficient in the English language. Following are accepted forms of proof which must be submitted with your Limited Entry Application packet:**

- Copy of unofficial **transcript** demonstrating successful completion of high school or degree completion at a college or university from one of the following countries:
  - Australia
  - Barbados
  - Canada (except Quebec)
  - Ghana
  - Ireland
  - Jamaica
  - New Zealand
  - South Africa
  - Tobago
  - Trinidad
  - United Kingdom
  - United States

**NOTE:** Degree completion include Certificates of Achievement, Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's or higher.

**OR**

- Copy of high school equivalency (e.g., GED, HiSet, TASC, US state, or US territory) **transcript** showing successful completion. **NOTE:** The test must be taken in English and a diploma is not accepted as proof of completion.
  - **GED** testing information available at <https://www.csn.edu/other-testing-services> or the CSN Testing Center
  - **HiSet** testing information available at <https://csn.augusoft.net/index.cfm?fuseaction=1010&&>

**OR**

- Copy of test results for the Internet-based (IBT) **TOEFL\*** minimum passing score is 84 with a 26 in spoken English. The TOEFL is valid for two (2) years. **NOTE:** If using this option, you must ALSO have your high school or higher education degree transcript evaluated by a NACES member organization (<https://www.naces.org/members>), and submit a copy of the NACES member transcript evaluation with your Limited Entry RN application packet.

TOEFL testing information:

Email: [TOEFL@ETS.ORG](mailto:TOEFL@ETS.ORG)

Website: [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org)

**OR**

- Copy of test results for the **Pearson\*** Test of English (PTE) Academic with a minimum passing score of 55 and no individual section below 50. The Pearson test is valid for two (2) years. **NOTE:** If using this option, you must ALSO have your high school or higher education degree transcript evaluated by a NACES member organization (<https://www.naces.org/members>), and submit a copy of the NACES member transcript evaluation with your Limited Entry RN application packet.

Pearson Test of English information:

Website: <https://www.pearsonpte.com/>