



Nursing Department Northern Marianas College



Application for Admission to the Northern Marianas College Nursing Program

Fall 2026 Admission

Applications are accepted from **April 13 to May 13, 2026**.

Date of Application

Applications can be submitted in-person to the Nursing Department Office in Building V during regular office hours or via email to andrew.mendiola@marianas.edu.

General Information

Name Student ID#

Mailing Address City State ZIP

Permanent Home Address

Home Phone Mobile Phone Other Number

NMC Student Email Address

Prerequisite Information

Checkmark the box that is applicable to you based on your prerequisites. *SO 297 is **not required** to be completed when applying for admission into the Nursing Program.*

- I have completed all prerequisites identified on the Individualized Degree Plan (IDP) for the NMC Nursing Program at the time of application.
- I have prerequisites to complete this **Spring 2026 Semester** before I can start the NMC Nursing Program.
- I have credits from another institution that transferred as approved credits into NMC to fulfill prerequisites and course requirements.

Please list all prerequisites that you have not finished at this time and their projected completion date:

Course <input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>	Course <input type="text"/>	Date <input type="text"/>
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Acknowledgements

Please initial on each statement below to indicate you have read and understood each statement.

- I acknowledge that the NMC Nursing Program is choosing the next group of students based on: a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of **3.00 or higher**; completion of all Core Course Requirements (except SO 297) and General Education prerequisite requirements with a grade of "C" or better **and science courses completed within five years immediately prior to applying for admission**; the ability to understand, speak, and write English; and passing the Admission Test with **an average score of 70% or higher, including 70% or higher in both Reading and Science**.
- I acknowledge that the Nursing Program has capped the admission of students into the program at **20 students**. I also acknowledge that, depending on the availability of nursing faculty and/or number of applicants, all students who qualify may not be accepted this Fall 2026 Admission. However, applicants will be placed on a *waiting list* for the Fall 2027 Admission.



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Acknowledgements (continued)

Please initial on each statement below to indicate you have read and understood each statement.

- I acknowledge that the Nursing Program is a rigorous training program that accepted students must be able to comply with to graduate with an Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree. I also acknowledge that there is always the possibility that all clinical/lab experiences will not be scheduled on weekday mornings, and that every student must be flexible as they may be expected to have clinical experiences on afternoons, evenings, and/or weekends.
- I acknowledge that planning for childcare or work schedule conflicts is the student's responsibility.
- I acknowledge that due to the rigorous training of the program and its full weekly schedule, nursing students are highly recommended to refrain from working in order to meet program and course expectations. However, if a student's financial situation is to be considered where they must work, the program recommends **no more than 20 hours per week of work** to ensure they still meet program and course expectations.

Transcripts from Off-Island Institutions & Foreign Colleges/Universities

College transcripts from off-island institutions are **required** to be submitted with this application if they have not been previously received by NMC's Office of Admissions and Records (OAR). **Original school-to-school documentation from U.S. institutions must be sent directly to the following address:**

Office of Admissions and Records - Nursing Application
Northern Marianas College
P.O. Box 501250 CK
Saipan, MP 96950

Any transcript from a foreign college or university must be sent to an approved foreign credential evaluator. For the list of approved evaluators, contact OAR at oar@marianas.edu or (670) 237-6771 or refer to Page 43 of the 2019–2023 NMC Catalog.

Signature of Applicant

Your signature represents that you, the applicant, have read, understood, and acknowledged the information stated above, the information provided about the selection process and other information give in this application. Your signature also gives the NMC Nursing Department permission to access your academic records for the selection process to proceed.

Please note that you are only required to submit the **application form**. You may keep the Information Sheet about the Selection Process for your reference.

Signature of Applicant

Date



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The Selection Process

Information Sheet

Fall 2026 Admission

Admission Criteria

The Nursing Program is choosing the next group of students based on following Admission Criteria:

1. A cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of **3.00 or higher**;
2. Completion of all Core Course Requirements (except SO 297) and General Education Prerequisite Requirements with a grade of “C” or better;
3. Ability to understand, speak, and write English;
4. **An average score of 70% or higher, including 70% or higher in both Reading and Science.**

Important Note: For the **science course credits** listed under the General Education requirements of the ASN IDP, all science courses must be completed ***within five years immediately prior*** to applying for admission into the Nursing Program. This also applies to **transfer students** from off-island colleges/universities who are interested in applying for admission into the Nursing Program. Transfer students must obtain an official college transcript and mail it to the Office of Admissions and Records (OAR).

Selection to the Nursing Class will be completed by mid-July. A letter will be sent to each applicant to the email address designated on the application, notifying each applicant whether they have been selected to be in the next Nursing Class.

Remaining effective for this Fall 2026 Admission Period: Pre-Nursing students who have not completed the prerequisites by the end of the Spring 2026 Semester will not be considered for admission. Pre-Nursing students who are finishing their remaining prerequisites by the end of the Summer 2026 Session can apply for admission for the Fall 2027 Admission Period the following year.

Nursing Program Admission Test

Since the Fall 2020 Admission, the NMC Nursing Department fully implemented the Admission Test. All eligible applicants who met the required prerequisite courses will be scheduled by the Department Chair to take this Admission Test, in which their scores will determine their admission into the Nursing Program for this Fall 2026 Semester. Applicants are welcomed to request a “study guide” and other resources from the Nursing Department to help them study for the Admission Test.

Please contact Andrew Mendiola, our Administrative Assistant, at andrew.mendiola@marianas.edu for more information.

Students who are completing their remaining prerequisites this Spring 2026 Semester and are considered eligible test takers will take the Admission Test on **June 10 and 11, 2026**. The applicant will receive their scheduled date and time from the Department Chair via the “Status of Application” email. Eligible applicants must tailor their schedules around these dates, especially those who are working or have travel plans in the summer.



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Criteria for Passing the Nursing Program Admission Test

Remaining in effect for this Fall 2026 Admission Period, students must pass the Nursing Program Admission Test with a an **average score of 70% or higher, including 70% or higher in both Reading and Science.**

If the applicant has met all scoring criteria listed above, then the applicant has **passed the Admission Test.**

There will be no retake of the Nursing Program Admission Test once the student applicant did not pass the Admission Test for this Fall 2026 Semester admission into the program.

However, the student applicant may reapply for admission into the program for the following year, when the nursing program sends out a press release on accepting new applicants for admission for the Fall 2027 Semester. At that time, the student applicant will submit a new application for admission for the Fall 2027 Semester and then will be allowed to retake the Nursing Program Admission Test.

Final Criteria for Admission into the Nursing Program

If the applicant has met the following listed criteria, then the applicant will be admitted into the NMC Nursing Program for Fall 2025.

1. A cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of **3.00 or higher**;
2. Completion of all Core Course Requirements (except SO 297) and General Education Prerequisite Requirements with a grade of “C” or better;
3. Ability to understand, speak, and write English;
4. **An average score of 70% or higher, including 70% or higher in both Reading and Science.**

Other Information

The Nursing Program has a higher grading scale than the prerequisite classes. The grading scale is as follows:

92 - 100%	A
84 - 91%	B
75 - 83%	C
60 - 74%	D
below 60%	F

Students will not be permitted to proceed in the program if they earn a “D” or “F” in any nursing course or if their GPA drops below 3.00.

It is your responsibility to notify the NMC Nursing Department if you change your physical or email address or your phone number. The ability to receive mail in a timely fashion is important since the offer for admission is time limited.



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Other Information (continued)

When accepted into the program, you will be following the current Individual Degree Plan (IDP) that is in effect **as of Spring 2023**. When you sign the application, you are acknowledging this possible change in your IDP.

Applicants who are not accepted into the program this Fall 2026 Semester may reapply for admission into our program for Fall 2027. If you are double-majoring, you are encouraged to work towards completion of that degree requirement while waiting to reapply. If you are not double majoring, you may consider majoring in Liberal Arts or another degree of interest.

If you wish to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree from another college/university after being accepted into the Nursing Program, you can start by looking at the Suggested General Education Elective Courses at the back of our Nursing IDP. These credits may be considered as transfer credits to a BSN Program of your choosing.