MILES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN REGISTERED
NURSING PROGRAM

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Miles Community College offers a two-year Associate of Science in Nursing Degree which prepares students for Registered Nursing licensure.

Accreditation
The Miles Community College Registered Nursing Program is accredited by:
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN) formally NLNAC
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Helena, MT 59620-0513
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Website: http://mt.gov/dli/bsd/license/bsd_boards/nur_board/board_page.asp

Mission
The Miles Community College Nursing Program reflects and supports the mission and objectives of the College. Miles Community College promotes student success and lifelong learning through accessible, quality Programs and community partnerships. The College’s strategic initiatives are to, 1) Provide student experience, 2) Recruit & Retain students, 3) Actively Seek Sustainable Funding, 4) Cultivate quality community relationships, 5) an innovative approach to distance education.

Student Learning Outcomes
The purposes of the Miles Community College Associate of Science Nursing Program are to prepare students to:

Advocate for patients and families in ways that promote their self-determination, integrity and ongoing growth as human beings.

Make judgments in practice, substantiated with evidences that integrate nursing science in the provision of safe, quality care and promote the health of patients within a family and community context.

Implement one’s roll as a nurse in ways that reflect integrity, responsibility, ethical practices, and an evolving identity as a nurse committed to evidence-based practice, caring, advocacy and safe, quality care for diverse patients within a family and community context.

Examine the evidence that underlies clinical nursing practice to challenge the status quo, question underlying assumptions, and offer new insights to improve the quality of care for patients, families, and communities.
Program Outcomes
1. Completion Time: 80% of students who began the Nursing Program will graduate in four (4) semesters
2. NCLEX Pass Rates: 88% (or within 4% points of national average) of graduates will pass NCLEX-RN exam on first attempt.
3. Graduate Satisfaction: Data collected from graduate nurses will reveal a cumulative 85% Nursing Program satisfaction.
4. New Graduate Employment: 85% of graduates will be employed as an RN within six-12 month (6-12) months post-graduation.
5. Employer Satisfaction: 85% of employers of graduates will express satisfaction with the program.

Program Guiding Principles
People are biopsychosocial beings who grow, develop, and adapt throughout the lifespan. The faculty of the Nursing Program believes that people, as members of the global society, are endowed with intellects and capacities which direct them toward uniqueness, autonomy, and self-fulfillment with dignity. People have rights, privileges, and responsibilities as members of the family, the community, and the global society. Individuals are further impacted by economics; urban or rural settings; and cultural, ethnic, or religious orientation.

Health is a dynamic state which fluctuates within a wellness-illness continuum with optimal-level wellness as the goal. The Nursing Program curriculum addresses acute and chronic health needs and wellness throughout the lifespan.

Nursing Practice
The goal of nursing is to facilitate, maintain, or restore optimal-level wellness as perceived by the client or to provide support for the dying. Nursing as a discipline draws from a body of evidenced based behavioral and scientific disciplines as well as experiential knowledge. Nursing is a caring profession which applies core values, integrated concepts and outcomes. Nursing is guided by the principles of the American Nurses Association nursing standards of practice and Code of Ethics, all within the legal boundaries of nursing.

The systematic process used for the Associate Degree Registered Nurse (ADRN) is primarily based on seven core values, eight integrated concepts and four outcomes. The foundation is built upon the core values of; caring diversity, integrity, excellence, ethics, patient-centeredness and holism.

Integral to nursing practice is the application of eight concepts; context and environment, knowledge and science, personal and professional development, quality and safety, relationship-centered care and teamwork.

The ADRN communicates effectively, collaborates with clients and health care team members and serves as a patient advocate. The ADRN uses evidence based data; engages in practice using reflection and rationale thought, while recognizing the responsibilities and boundaries in the nursing profession.

Nursing Education
The process of nursing education is based on professional interaction and mutual respect between the student and the teacher. Faculty members serve as role models and facilitators of learning. Faculty strives to provide clinical experiences in which students can apply nursing concepts to a variety of clients in various settings. Nursing concepts are presented and revisited in greater complexity throughout the curriculum. Through knowledge and experience, students are expected to progressively apply concepts in order to reach a level to where they can critically analyze a situation, synthesize and implement a plan of care, and evaluate outcomes. Lifelong learning is valued and necessary owing to the rapid changes in the health care environment, including increased client acuity, increased demands for knowledge, and the explosion of technology.
Nursing education is a sequence of planned activities and dynamic experiences by which students learn and are socialized into the profession of nursing. The optimal learning supports caring, recognizes differences, committed to excellence, demonstrates open communications, encourages personal/professional growth, and advocates for every person to functions according to their own values, beliefs and practices.

Faculty members serve as facilitators of learning, providing a learning environment in which nursing concepts are applied in a variety of situations and practice settings. The learning environment stimulates within the student the ability to recognize nursing values and use integrated concepts to critically analyze a situation, synthesize and implement interventions and, finally, to evaluate the outcomes.

The Associate of Science in Nursing Graduate

The Associate of Science in Nursing (A.S.N.) graduate is a valuable member of the health care team and the nursing profession. The graduate’s practice include professionalism, written and spoken communication, assessment, clinical decision making, caring interventions, teaching and learning, collaboration, managing care, concern for safety for both the client and the health care team, utilization of technology, client advocacy, nursing diagnoses, prioritization, planning, implementation, delegation, evaluation of outcomes, maintenance of ethical and legal standards, practicing in a cost effective manner, providing for continuity of care, discharge planning. The graduates who possess the knowledge and skills will have a solid foundation to pursue a Bachelors of Science in Nursing degree.

Program Objectives

The objectives of the College’s Associate Degree Nursing Program are to graduate individuals who are prepared to:

- Serve as advocates in promoting integrity and growth in human beings.
- Provide safe quality care that is backed by evidence based practice.
- Execute the role of a professional nurse committed to improving nursing care.
- Question assumptions; challenge the status quo and offer alternate ideas.

General Advising Information – Nursing Program Completion: Full-Time and Part-Time Options

The Associate of Science in Nursing Degree may be completed as a two-year (four semesters), full-time plan of study. However, students may choose a part-time option and complete the degree requirements over a longer period of time. The part-time option is accomplished by completing any or all of the required “non-nursing,” general education courses prior to applying for admission into the Nursing Program. Once admitted to the Nursing Program, students must complete the A.S.N. requirements within three years of the initial admission date. Students choosing the part-time option are initially designated Pre-Nursing students. Pre-Nursing students are assigned a nursing faculty advisor to develop a plan of study. The part-time option is highly recommended for students with job and/or family responsibilities.
Nursing Program Admission
Because of the critical nature of patient care, accreditation standards established by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, INC. formally NLNAC, and licensure standards established by the Montana State Board of Nursing, students seeking admission to the Associate Degree Registered Nursing Program are subject to requirements and review procedures beyond those associated with general admission to the College.

Please note: Admission, progression, and graduation criteria are subject to annual revision. Contact the nursing office for the most current information.

Other Nursing program requirements are:

1. All prerequisites to required general education courses and general education courses must be completed with a “C” or higher grade.
2. A most recent Institutional cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher is required for admission to the Nursing Program.
3. For students applying for admission who have no prior college work, students must COMPASS into all college level courses.
4. All required A.S.N. Degree courses, including general education courses, may be repeated only once, Developmental courses not included.
5. To progress successfully through the program, pass return skills demonstrations, and function as a nurse after graduation, applicants shall have 1) adequate visual acuity with or without corrective lenses to read calibrations on insulin syringes and fine print on drug inserts, 2) adequate hearing ability with or without auditory aids to be able to auscultate breath sounds and understand the normal speaking voice without viewing the speaker’s face, 3) adequate physical ability of upper and lower extremities to perform skills such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation and sterile technique correctly, and 4) sufficient speaking ability of the English language to effectively communicate with patients and relay information verbally to others.
6. Applicants who have been convicted of a felony or treated for substance abuse should discuss their eligibility status with the Montana Board of Nursing prior to admission.
7. Anatomy and Physiology I and II credits should be less than five years old. Credit for Anatomy and Physiology coursework over five years old will be awarded only through an “escrow” mechanism. Student’s credits will be held “in escrow” until successful completion (“C” or better) of NRSG 103 - Pathophysiology.
8. Developmental Psychology (PSYX 230) or equivalent must have been completed within five years prior to admission to the Nursing Program.

Acceptance to and graduation from the Nursing Program does not assure eligibility to take the RN licensing examination. The Montana Board of Nursing makes all final decisions on issuance of licenses.
Applying for Admission to the Nursing Program
Admission to the Nursing Program is based largely on points assigned to the student’s total percentage earned on each of the two Assessment Technologies, Institute (ATI) exams. Students with the most points from the ATI TEAS, Critical Thinking exams and the most recent Institutional cumulative GPA will be invited into the Nursing Program. In case of a tie score students will be selected according to the highest Institutional cumulative GPA.

The two (2) entrance exams are offered through the Miles Community College Nursing Department twice per year in October and February. Applicants self-register for the Nursing Entrance Exams on the Miles Community College home page at www.milescc.edu. The registration link will become active for use approximately three (3) to four (4) weeks prior to exam dates. Applicants will be responsible for registering themselves for one of the exam dates. Be aware that there are a limited number of seats available for each day the exams are offered; applicants are cautioned to not wait until the last minute to register. Information about the exams and exam requirements is posted on the registration site; please read this important information prior to testing. Contact the Nursing office (406-874-6189) if you have questions.

If an applicant is not satisfied with their initial exam results and would like to retake one or both of the exams, they may then register for another exam day providing there is a seat available. If an applicant chooses to retest at another college or university, doing so is solely the responsibility of the applicant. Applicants may take the exams as many times as they choose. To be considered for the Miles Community College Nursing Program the exams must have been taken within six (6) months of the Nursing application deadline, which is March 1st. Applicants will include one score sheet for the TEAS exam and one score sheet for the Critical Thinking exam in their Nursing application. Applicants are cautioned to make sure the score sheets they use have the highest scores in order to improve their chance of being selected into the Nursing program. A minimum score of 60% on each exam is required.

The TEAS Version V study materials are available at the ATI website, (www.atitesting.com) and in the Miles Community College library.

Points assigned to scores from each of the Entrance Exams. TEAS and Critical Thinking are worth 50 points each. Combined scores from TEAS & Critical Thinking is 80% of the overall score.

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Points are assigned to student’s GPA beginning at 2.75. The most recent cumulative GPA from a regionally accredited institution will be used provided that at least 10 credits have been earned at that institution. If fewer than 10 credits have been earned at the most recent college, previous cumulative GPAs from prior transcripts will be used, including high school, if necessary. The GPA points account for 20% of the overall score.

GPA Points
3.78-4.00 25
3.54-3.77 20
3.30-3.53 15
3.06-3.29 10
2.75-3.05 05

The combined cost to the two exams is approximately $63.00. Admission to the MCC Nursing Program is limited to 38 new students each fall, 30 freshman students each year at the Miles City site and eight students at the Glendive site or Sidney site in alternating years. Students will be asked to designate their preferred site location on the Nursing Program application when applying for admission. Admission of freshman students occurs only once per school year in April for the following fall semester.

**Initial Admission Requirements**
The Nursing Program follows the requirements for Mandatory Placement into college level courses. There is Chemistry pre-requisite for Human Anatomy & Physiology I.

In order to be eligible for consideration for admission to the Nursing Program, students must complete:
- The Miles Community College Application process plus the Nursing Program Application process.

**The additional Nursing Program admission requirements include submission of the following to the college by March 1st:**
- Official High School transcripts or GED
- Official College transcripts, if applicable, from all institutions attended
- Completed Miles Community College general application
- Completed Miles Community College Nursing application.

The College’s Nursing Admissions Committee determines acceptance of students based on:
- An applicant’s completion of all the application and transcript requirements by the deadline date, (March 1st).
- Rank order of the student’s highest combined ATI exam points (TEAS and Critical Thinking exams) and GPA; students will be placed in descending order until all available slots are filled.

**Admission to Designated Sites**
Starting with the highest points of the combined ATI Exam scores and GPA’s and placed in descending order; successful students will be admitted to each of the designate “sites” according to the rank order points. Students will be placed according to their requested and previously 8
designated site location. In the case that all of the slots have been filled at that particular site location, students will be given notice and will be allowed two working days to choose an available alternative site. If the alternative site placement is not agreeable, students have no option but to withdraw from the admission process. Students may apply for admission the following year. In case of a tie score for the last available “slot” students will be selected according to the highest GPA. Notification letters will be mailed by the second week in April after the final decisions have been made by the Nursing Admissions Committee.

**Admission Process after being accepted into the Nursing Program:**
Students who are accepted into the Nursing Program must complete the nursing admission process to be eligible to enroll in NRSG 101.
Failure to complete any of the following may lead to the revocation of a students’ admission into the MCC Nursing Program.

**Accepted Students must submit:**

**By June 15th:**
- A nonrefundable deposit of $200 to hold their “slot” (the deposit will then be applied toward fall tuition and fees).

**By July 15th:**
- Evidence of current Criminal Background Check through Verified Credentials Inc.

**By July 15th: The following documents must be submitted to Verified Credentials Inc.**
- Evidence of current CPR (Health Care Provider or equivalent).

**By July 15th: The following documents must be submitted to the Nursing Program.**
- A completed Nursing Program Basic Health Screening Form (includes screening; vital signs; vision; hearing; allergies, including latex screening if indicated; current medications; health problems; and demographic and insurance information).
- Evidence of health insurance or signed waiver (insurance waiver forms must be picked up & turned in at the Nursing office on campus NOT submitted to Verified Credentials Inc.)
- Evidence of certification as a Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) or evidence of completion of state-approved Certified Nurse Assistant training program.

**By August 1st:**
- Evidence of satisfactory completion of CHMY 121 and CHMY 122, which is the pre-requisite for BIOH 201 & BIOH 202 Human Anatomy and Physiology I.

All required uniforms, name tags, books, and lab supplies must be purchased prior to the beginning of Fall classes.

**By September 10th:**
- Payment of professional liability insurance (Fee is included in fall tuition and fee payment.)
Note: Any discrepancies found in a student’s file, inaccurate or fraudulent information, or other circumstances occurring or discovered subsequent to a student’s acceptance can lead to revocation of acceptance by a majority decision of the Nursing Admissions Committee.

**Ongoing General Requirements**

In order to maintain ongoing enrollment in the Nursing Program, students must meet the following requirements:
- Nursing courses are designated by “NRSG” and are graded as follows:

  A=93-100  
  B=84-92  
  C=78-83  
  D=70-77  
  F=70 below

- A final grade of “C” or better must be earned in each of the required general education and nursing courses. Students with a final grade lower than a “C” in any of the A.S.N. required courses will be dropped from the Nursing Program.
- An overall GPA of 2.25 or greater on a 4.0 scale must be maintained each semester.
- All nursing classes must be taken in the appropriate sequence (see prerequisites and co-requisites).
- A final grade of “C” (78%) or better in both the clinical and theory portions of the nursing courses must be earned.
- Basic Health Screening update, including current CPR and PPD must be submitted yearly.
- Negative test on any drug screening as required by agencies providing clinical experiences must be submitted.
- Professional liability insurance must be paid yearly (included in fall tuition and fee payment).
- Students’ signed last page of current Nursing Student Handbook stating that they understand and agree to abide by the policies and procedures of the Miles Community College’s Nursing Program.

**Clinical Experience – Nursing**

Nursing students are required to participate in a variety of clinical experiences in hospitals, clinics, extended care facilities, schools, and multiple community health care service agencies. To progress successfully through the program, pass return skills demonstrations, and function as a nurse after graduation, applicants shall have:
- Adequate visual acuity with or without corrective lenses to read calibrations on insulin syringes and fine print on drug inserts.
- Adequate hearing ability with or without auditory aids to be able to auscultate breath sounds and understand the normal speaking voice without viewing the speaker’s face.
- Adequate physical ability of upper and lower extremities to perform skills such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation and sterile technique correctly.
- Sufficient speaking ability of the English language to effectively communicate with patients and relay information verbally to others.
Clinical assignments are usually at a set time but may vary and involve early mornings, evenings, and occasional weekends. Students will be given a clinical schedule at the beginning of each semester. It is expected that students will arrange family and employment responsibilities in order to participate at assigned clinical times.

Principles of Universal Precautions are taught, observed, and reinforced throughout the nursing curriculum beginning in NRSG 101. Students who are or may be pregnant should inform the clinical instructor immediately so appropriate precautionary measures can be implemented. As professional practitioners, faculty members have an obligation to clients, clinical agencies, and members of the health care team to ensure that nursing students are prepared and competent to provide safe nursing care. In order to participate in clinical experiences, students must consistently:

- Demonstrate emotional stability.
- Demonstrate professional behaviors, including respectful and appropriate communication with faculty, staff, and peers.
- Demonstrate good health and be free from any conditions that could jeopardize self or client health and/or safety. This includes the use of alcohol and mind-altering drugs.
- Demonstrate safe and competent student nurse practice regarding client safety and comfort.
- Maintain confidentiality (HIPPA standards).
- Comply with all affiliating agency policies and procedures.
- Practice within the legal boundaries of nursing and the student nurse.

More specific information on student behaviors that may lead to students being denied access to a clinical area and subsequent disciplinary actions can be found in the current Nursing Student Handbook at http://www.milescc.edu/DownloadFiles/NursingStudentHandbook.pdf.

Admission to the Licensed Practical Nurse to Registered Nurse (LPN to RN) Completion Program-Nursing

Admission to the Licensed Practical Nurse to Registered Nurse (LPN to RN) Completion Program is designed to give recognition for knowledge and skills attained by students who have graduated from approved practical or vocational nursing programs and who currently hold an unencumbered LPN license. Students who are currently enrolled in a Practical Nursing Program are eligible to apply for admission but must obtain LPN licensure prior to beginning of the Fall semester for which they are applying. Students who have been out of school for more than five years and/or lack IV theory and skills should consider applying for admission to the Nursing Program as second semester freshman.

Admission to the Nursing Program is based largely on points assigned to the student’s total percentage earned on each of the two Assessment Technologies, Institute (ATI) exams. Students with the most points from the ATI LPN-STEP, Critical Thinking exams, and the most recent Institutional cumulative GPA will be invited into the Nursing Program. In case of a tie score students will be selected according to the highest Institutional cumulative GPA.

The two (2) entrance exams are offered through the Miles Community College Nursing Department twice per year in October and February. Applicants self-register for the Nursing Entrance Exams on the Miles Community College home page at www.milescc.edu. The registration link will become active for use approximately three (3) to four (4) weeks prior to 11
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If an applicant is not satisfied with their initial exam results and would like to retake one or both of the exams, they may then register for another exam day providing there is a seat available. If an applicant chooses to retest at another college or university, doing so is solely the responsibility of the applicant. Applicants may take the exams as many times as they choose. To be considered for the Miles Community College Nursing Program the exams must have been taken within six (6) months of the Nursing application deadline, which is March 1st. Applicants will include one score sheet for the LPN-STEP exam and one score sheet for the Critical Thinking exam in their Nursing application. Applicants are cautioned to make sure the score sheets they use have the highest scores in order to improve their chance of being selected into the Nursing program. A minimum score of 60% on each exam is required.

The cost of the two exams is approximately $44.00. LPN’s are admitted on a space-available basis only and must submit a completed Nursing program application by March 1st for consideration. Please contact the Nursing Office if you have questions.

Points are assigned to scores from each of the Entrance Exams. LPN-STEP and Critical Thinking are worth 50 points each. Combined scores from LPN-STEP and Critical Thinking is two thirds 80% of overall score.

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A cumulative GPA of 2.75 or greater is required for entrance; the most recent Institutional cumulative GPA is used.

**The additional Nursing Program admission requirements include submission of the following to the college by March 1st:**

- Official High School transcripts or GED
- Official College transcripts from all institutions attended.
- Completed Miles Community College general application.
- Completed Miles Community College Nursing application.

The College’s Nursing Admissions Committee determines acceptance of students based on:

- An applicant’s completion of all the application and transcript requirements by the deadline date, (March 1st).
- Rank order of the student’s highest combined ATI exam points (LPN STEP and Critical Thinking exams) and GPA; students will be placed in descending order until available slots are filled; LPN’s are admitted on a space-available basis only.

Students who are accepted into the Nursing Program must complete the nursing admission process to be eligible to enroll Fall classes. Failure to submit will forfeit their admission status. Failure to complete any of the following may lead to the revocation of a students’ admission into the MCC Nursing Program.

**Accepted Students:**

**By June 1st:**

- Enrollment in NRSG 250 LPN to RN Transition course, NRSG 156 Pathophysiology, and any other incomplete freshman level A.S.N. required course.

**By June 15th:**

- A nonrefundable deposit of $200 to hold their “slot” (the deposit will then be applied toward fall tuition and fees).
- Evidence of completion of a skills demonstration and a case study care plan with a 78% or higher grade.

**By July 15th:**

- Evidence of current Criminal Background Check through Verified Credentials Inc.

**By July 15th: The following documents must be submitted to Verified Credentials Inc.**

- Evidence of current CPR (Health Care Provider or equivalent).

**By July 15th: The following documents must be submitted to the Nursing Program.**

- A completed Nursing Program Basic Health Screening Form (includes screening; vital signs; vision; hearing; allergies, including latex screening if indicated; current medications; health problems; and demographic and insurance information).
- Evidence of health insurance or signed waiver (insurance waiver forms must be picked up & turned in at the Nursing office on campus NOT submitted to Verified Credentials Inc.)
- Evidence of unencumbered licenses as a: Licensed Practical Nursing or a Licensed Vocational Nurse.
By August 1st:

- Evidence of successful completion of NRSG 250 LPN to RN Transition course.
- Evidence of successful completion of NRSG 156 Pathophysiology
  - Evidence of meeting requirements for MCCs Mandatory Placement
- Documentation of successful completion of all freshman level A.S.N. requirements.

All required uniforms, name tags, books, and lab supplies must be purchased prior to the beginning of Fall classes.

There are non-nursing courses that are required for the Miles Community College Nursing Program which need to be completed; LPNs are strongly encouraged to visit with the Nursing Program Director prior to application.

By September 10th:

- Payment of professional liability insurance (Fee is included in fall tuition and fee payment.)

Note: Any discrepancies found in a student’s file, inaccurate or fraudulent information, or other circumstances occurring or discovered subsequent to a student’s acceptance can lead to revocation of acceptance by a majority decision of the Nursing Admissions Committee. It is highly recommended that students interested in the LPN to RN Completion Program contact the Nursing Program Director for individual advising by January 1 prior to the desired fall admission date. Students successfully meeting all of the requirements will be placed in fall semester of the second year nursing courses. Credit for NRSG 101 & 102 -Fundamentals of Nursing I, NRSG 103 & 104 –Fundamentals of Nursing II, NRSG 105-Intro to Pharmacology, and NRSG 110-Math for Meds will be held “in escrow” until students successfully complete NRSG 156 – Pathophysiology and NRSG 250 LPN to RN Transition.

LPN to RN Completion students are subject to all the general Nursing Program requirements. Please refer to Ongoing General Requirements.

Transfer Students – Nursing

Students wishing to transfer to the Miles Community College Nursing Program from other schools of nursing should contact the Nursing Program Director. Transfer students must complete all nursing program admission requirements and admission is dependent on space availability. Transfer of nursing credits is on a case-by-case basis through course evaluation. Nursing courses must have been taken within the past year from a nursing program that is approved by Montana State Board of Nursing or a nationally recognized nursing accrediting body.

A letter requesting admission to the College’s Nursing Program is required and should be addressed to the Nursing Admissions Committee. The letter should outline the reasons for leaving the previous nursing program and the reasons the student thinks they will be more successful in the Miles Community College Nursing Program. A letter of recommendation from the student’s previous nursing school director or dean is required.

Students requesting transfer into freshman-level nursing classes are required to take the ATI TEAS exam and Critical Thinking Entrance exam.
Students requesting transfer into sophomore-level nursing classes are required to take the ATI Fundamentals of Nursing and Critical Thinking Entrance exams. Transfer students may also be required to demonstrate skills and the Nursing Process through care plan writing.

**Nursing Readmission Process**

A letter from the student requesting readmission to the Miles Community College Nursing Program is required and should be addressed to the Nursing Admissions Committee stating students’ understanding of why they were unsuccessful in the Nursing Program and what has changed that will allow them to be successful on a second attempt. There must be space available in limited-enrollment courses in order to readmit students. A student’s GPA will be the deciding factor in the event there are more applicants than clinical slots available. Nursing courses must have been taken within the past year from a nursing program that is approved by a nationally recognized nursing accrediting body.

The procedure for readmission is detailed in the current Nursing Student Handbook available on the Nursing website at www.milescc.edu/Programs/Nursing/ or at the Nursing office.

**Military Deployment: Miles Community College Nursing Students:**

Readmission into the Nursing Program, for the Miles Community College Nursing students, after a Military Deployment will be done in accordance with “Military Personnel and Veteran; Higher Education Act Provisions”. In addition to the Higher Education Act Provision for Military Personnel, the student must have met “Ongoing General Requirements for Nursing” at the time of deployment and must complete the “Nursing Readmission Process”. Each request will be handled on a case by case basis and will be reviewed by the Miles Community College Nursing Admissions Committee. Student must complete all nursing program admission requirements and admission is dependent on space availability.