PRACTICAL NURSING

ADMISSION PACKET FOR AUGUST 2025 FULL-TIME PROGRAM AND JANUARY 2026 PART-TIME PROGRAM

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ADMISSION PROCEDURES

The following admission procedures shall be followed by all prospective applicants seeking admission to the JALC PNE program. It is imperative that the steps be followed in order to ensure that all the admission procedures are complete by the deadline date. Failure to comply with the deadline dates designated by JALC will automatically terminate the application for the program.

These admission procedures are in accordance with Illinois law. The law requires that programs not having sufficient space and resources to accommodate all applicants will accept those applicants best qualified, using ranking, ability and achievement test scores as guides, with preference given to students residing in-district.

The JALC PNE program admission process does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, gender, age, or the presence of a non-job-related condition or disability.

To be eligible for admission in the full-time program beginning fall 2025 or the part-time program beginning spring 2026, an applicant must meet these criteria and submit the following credentials to the designated office by the deadline date:

STEP 1: General Admission Requirements

<u>Apply for general admission</u> to the College by completing the online application by March 3, 2025, if not currently enrolled in courses at JALC. If an applicant prefers, a paper application may be completed. To request a paper application, contact the Admissions and Records Office at (618) 985-2828 Ext. 8298.

If an application for general admission has previously been submitted, please update any relevant information online in the <u>MyJALC</u> portal, if necessary.

Need help accessing student accounts <u>click here</u> or contact the Admissions and Records Office at (618) 985-2828 Ext. 8298.

Submit current placement scores to the Admissions and Records Office by March 3, 2025. We will accept scores from ACCUPLACER, ACT, or SAT taken within the past three years. An applicant who has not already completed a college-level English and Mathematics course or scored below the minimum requirement in English and Math on the ACT or SAT must complete placement testing in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics to determine appropriate placement in courses. For more information about placement testing, visit Required Placement Testing. If an applicant needs to schedule an appointment to take a placement test, contact Testing Services at (618) 985-2828 Ext. 8520.

Regardless of placement test scores taken for general college admission, and any resultant remedial courses required, all applicants desiring to apply for the PNE program will be allowed to take the PNE pre-entrance exam. However, if an applicant scores low on any general admission placement test, counselors may advise against continuing the PNE application process.

Submit all transcripts, high school and college, to the Admissions and Records Office by March 3, 2025. An official copy of a final high school or GED® (High School Equivalency) transcript with a graduation date is required. In addition, official transcripts from other colleges attended are required if transferring any courses. Transcript must show when the course was taken, and the grade received. It is the applicant's responsibility to

ensure that all official college transcripts have been received and evaluated in the Admissions and Records

STEP 3: Pre-Entrance Exam Requirement

AN APPLICANT MUST APPLY TO THE PROGRAM BEFORE REGISTERING FOR THE PRE-ENTRANCE EXAM.

Register online to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) pre-entrance exam for the PNE program by the test registration deadline. To access the test registration link, visit Restricted Allied Health Testing.

BEFORE REGISTERING, please read the information below carefully

Refunds will not be issued.

Tests will be administered in a computer-based format and are timed. The exam will take a minimum of 3 ½ hours. Online calculator provided as allowed on the exam. Test questions may not be copied. Scratch paper must be turned in. These tests are copyrighted by ATI Testing. It is illegal to copy any portion of these exams.

Testing Services will provide test results to the applicants after results have tabulated.

The College reserves the right to change exam dates and fees at any time. Seating is limited, and registrations will be processed on a first come, first served basis. Applicants must register before the registration deadline set below for each test session.

TEAS Test Dates for PNE	Registration Deadlines	
Friday, September 27, 2024 @ 9:00 AM	Thursday, September 26, 2024 by 9:00 AM,2/	AMAM

TEAS Test Dates for PNE	Registration Deadlines
Thursday, February 27, 2025 @ 1:00 PM	Wednesday, February 26, 2025 by 1:00 PM
Friday, February 28, 2025 @ 9:00 AM	Thursday, February 27, 2025 by 9:00 AM
Monday, March 3, 2025 @ 9:00 AM	Sunday, March 2, 2025 by 9:00 AM

If an applicant has a disability and wishes to obtain reasonable accommodations, they should contact <u>Disability Support Services</u> at (618) 985-2828 Ext. 8270 to schedule an appointment with the DSS

When all available positions are filled, notification of an alternate position will be sent via email to

treatments. They collect samples for testing; perform routine laboratory tests; feed patients; and record food and fluid intake and output. To help keep patients comfortable, LPNs assist with bathing, dressing and personal hygiene. In states where the law allows, they may administer prescribed medicines or start intravenous fluids. Some LPNs help deliver, care for and feed infants. Experienced LPNs may supervise nursing assistants and aides.

In doctors' offices and clinics, they also may make appointments, keep records and perform other clerical duties. LPNs who work in private homes may prepare meals and teach family members simple nursing tasks.

Most LPNs in hospitals and nursing care facilities work a 40-hour week, but because patients need around-the-clock care, some work nights, weekends and holidays. They often stand for long periods and help patients move in bed, stand or walk.

LPNs wages vary throughout the nation. The <u>Bureau of Labor Statistics</u> reports median annual earnings in May 2023 at \$59,730. Locally, experienced LPNs have reported earnings as much as \$25.77 per hour.

Nationally, employment of LPNs is expected to grow by 3 percent from 2023 and 2033 as projected by the <u>Bureau of Labor Statistics</u>. Growth is attributed to the long-term care needs of an increasing elderly population and the general increase in demand for healthcare services. LPNs care for ill, injured, or convalescing patients or persons with disabilities in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, private homes, group homes, and similar institutions.

For more information on the profession, visit <u>Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation</u>.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

The PNE student, upon completion of the JALC PNE program, will have the ability to exercise sound nursing judgment based on cognitive, affective and psychomotor preparation and, therefore, have the capabilities to pass the State Licensing Examination.

Upon completion of the PNE program, the graduate will be able to do the following:

- x Explain quality and safety of an individual's care, including information technology.
- x Identify appropriate nursing actions based on patient presentation and disease processes.
- x Show caring by actively advocating for diverse populations.
- x Demonstrate effective professional communication.
- x Take part in interdisciplinary teamwork to promote optimal health.

ACCREDITATION

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR)

Illinois Community College Board (ICCB)

investigation is connected to Viewpoint Screening and will encompass a standard federal criminal background search. Positive "hits" on the criminal background will be evaluated by the Director of Nursing for program entry . Failure to report to the Director of Nursing, any charge, will result in removal from the program.

Evidence of health insurance is required, and a copy of current health insurance card must be uploaded to Viewpoint Screening by date assigned at orientation. If a student drops their health insurance card must be uploaded to Viewpoint Screening by date assigned at orientation. If a student drops their health insurance card must be uploaded to Viewpoint Screening by date assigned at orientation. If a student drops their health insurance card must be uploaded to Viewpoint Screening by date assigned at orientation. If a student drops their health insurance card must be uploaded to Viewpoint Screening by date assigned at orientation. If a student drops their health insurance card must be uploaded to Viewpoint Screening by date assigned at orientation.

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