Thank you for your interest in the BC3 Nursing (R.N.) Program offered at BC3 Main Campus and BC3 @ Brockway! To be considered for admission into the 2020 Nursing Program class, a complete application packet must be submitted no later than October 31, 2019.

An application packet will consist of:
1. Application for Admission - even if you have applied previously to BC3
2. $25.00 application fee – only if you have not applied previously to BC3
3. Official transcripts in a sealed envelope or sent electronically from the school. Transcripts required:
   - High school
   - If not a high school graduate: High school equivalency diploma (GED®/HiSET test scores) and a high school transcript
   - All Colleges/universities attended other than BC3
4. Disclaimer Statement and Transcript/Science Reference Page
5. Early Acceptance** – Last Page
   **Please read carefully – only complete if you meet the requirements

Only complete application packets will be considered in the review process. It is the student’s responsibility to submit all required documentation by the deadline of October 31, 2019. Applications may be dropped off in person to the Admissions Office & BC3 @ Brockway during business hours or mailed to:

Butler County Community College
Attn: Admissions Office
P.O. Box 1203
Butler, PA  16003-1203
We are pleased that you are interested in the Butler County Community College (BC3) Nursing Program. Enclosed is the information you need to complete your application. Applications for the Fall 2020 class will be accepted from **August 1, 2019 to October 31, 2019.** Prospective students who meet the proposed criteria on the last page at the time of application may be considered for early acceptance.

Only complete application packets will be considered in the review process. **We highly encourage you to make a copy of this information for your personal records prior to submission.**

**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Applicants must submit official transcripts from their high school and from **EVERY college/university attended aside from BC3.** Official transcripts are to be in a sealed envelope from the high school and college/university or sent by the institution’s electronic transcript service on the student’s behalf. We are unable to accept open envelopes, faxed copies, or those emailed directly by the student. Applicants who completed the high school equivalency diploma (GED/HIGET) are required to submit a copy of their test scores, as well as an official high school transcript.

- Students enrolled in high school or another college/university during the Fall 2019 semester must submit official transcripts to reflect their courses in progress. **Official college/university transcripts with final Fall 2019 grades must be received by the BC3 Admissions Office no later than January 6, 2020.**

- It is the student’s responsibility to request all official transcripts and to verify with the BC3 Admissions Office they have been received on their behalf. **Missing transcripts or official transcripts received after the above-stated deadline will result in an incomplete application, and as such, applicants will not be considered for admission into the Fall 2020 Nursing Program.**

- If you previously sent transcripts to BC3, it is still necessary for you to include an additional, official copy with your application for inclusion in your nursing folder, unless otherwise approved by the Admissions Office.

- Please call the Admissions Office at 724-284-8501 if any questions or concerns arise regarding the transcript submission process.

**PLACEMENT TESTING:**

- An applicant who **has not** completed a college-level English and/or math class with a “C” or better must complete placement tests in reading, writing, and math or submit SAT/ACT scores that are within the last 5 years and meet the established cut-offs below to be exempt:
  
  - **SAT Math:** 570 or better (Old SAT prior to March 1, 2016: 550 or better)
  - **SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing:** 500 or better (Old SAT Critical Reading prior to March 1, 2016: 500 or better)
  - **ACT Math:** 23 or better
  - **ACT English:** 21 or better
• If placement tests are required, they must be completed no later than December 13, 2019. If you have not heard from us and believe you need testing, please call 724-287-8711 ext. 8346 (Main Campus) or 814-265-1813 (Brockway) to confirm and/or schedule.

• An applicant who tests into a developmental or a preparatory class is permitted to re-test once in each subject area. All re-tests must also be completed by December 13, 2019.

• An applicant who tests into a developmental or preparatory course(s) will not be considered for admission into the Fall 2020 Nursing Program unless the course(s) is completed with a “C” or better by the end of the Fall 2019 semester. Grades in developmental and preparatory coursework are not calculated when determining GPA.

LABORATORY SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS:
• It is required that applicants have a high school or college-level Biology and Chemistry both with a laboratory component within the past five years passed with a “C” or better.

• Biology and Chemistry courses completed prior to August 2014 will not be considered. There will be no exceptions made.

• It is the student’s responsibility to confirm that their high school Biology and Chemistry courses included the laboratory component and may be asked for further documentation of a hands-on skills lab either embedded or offered separately, if necessary.

• Entirely online Biology and Chemistry courses may not meet the hands-on skills lab requirement. Please connect with the Admissions Office or an academic advisor in order to determine if they are acceptable.

• College-level Anatomy & Physiology 1 and 2 must be completed at the same institution and passed with a “C” or better for transfer purposes.

• College-level Anatomy & Physiology 1, 2, and General Microbiology completed at the college-level must be within the past five years. If beyond this window, the courses will need to be repeated to use toward degree requirements.

APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS:
• Completed application packets will be reviewed by the Nursing Admissions Selection Committee beginning in January 2020 (unless eligible for Early Acceptance). All grades will be considered through the end of the Fall 2019 semester.

• All applicants must have a 2.80 cumulative GPA minimum for Nursing Program consideration.

• Grade point average (GPA) and additional academic criteria are considered in the review process. Successful completion of Pre-Nursing support courses are strongly considered for those with current or previous college/university experience. Seats available to high school seniors applying for both the 3-Year Curriculum and 2-Year Program are limited.

The GPA used will consist of the following:
  o High school GPA will be used for applicants with less than 12 earned college-level credits.
Applicants with 12+ BC3 credits (excluding any developmental or preparatory courses) will have their BC3 GPA used.

Applicants with 12+ college level credits from the same institution (excluding any developmental or preparatory classes) will have that college’s GPA used if that institution was most recently attended by the student.

Applicants with combined college credits (12+ college credits completed, fewer than 12 at college of most recent attendance) may have their combined college GPA used.

Applicants with an extended absence (who have not attended BC3 for five or more years) and who subsequently complete 12+ BC3 college credits applicable to the Nursing program will have the new enrollment GPA period used in lieu of cumulative GPA.

- A student with a high school equivalency diploma (GED/HiSET test scores) must take 12+ college-level credits to establish a new GPA.

- Individuals with less than a 2.80 cumulative GPA in high school or from previous college/university experience may be considered for admission following completion of 12+ college-level credits to establish a new GPA. Nursing Program support courses are strongly encouraged.

**ADDITIONAL NOTES/REQUIREMENTS:**

- Applicants must be at least 18 years of age by **September 1, 2020** to be eligible for the clinical component of the Nursing Program.

- Applicants must have completed 4 units of English, 3 units of Social Studies, 2 units of Math (one must be Algebra) as part of their high school graduation requirements.

- A grade of “C” or better is required in all Nursing Program support courses for acceptance and continuation in the program.

- Any student utilizing the Academic Forgiveness Policy at BC3 must complete the entire process through the Office of Records and Registration prior to application review in January 2020.

- All college-level classes taken to meet application/program requirements must be completed by the end of 2019. Official transcripts must be received by **January 6, 2020.**

- Students will only be considered for the 3-year curriculum plan if they have less than 6 college-level credits at the time of application review.

- Students will only be considered for the program format (2-year or 3-year) and must choose one.

- Students will only be considered for the program location (Main Campus or Brockway) and must choose one.

- The Nursing Admissions Selection Committee will notify all applicants in writing by **February 14, 2020** regarding the student’s potential admission.
Nursing courses require that students possess the following abilities:

1. Sufficient mobility to transfer and mobilize the non-ambulatory client, to assist an ambulatory client and to perform emergency client care. Must be able to lift and/or support at least 50 pounds. Must be capable of full manual dexterity of upper extremities and unrestricted movement of both lower extremities, neck, shoulders, back and hips to safely carry a newborn and perform activities of daily living for the client unable to do so for himself.

2. Sufficient musculo-skeletal control to perform gross and fine motor tasks inherent in required skills; e.g. administration of medications and urinary catheterization.

3. Sufficient visual ability to read records, labels on medication containers, and calibrations on devices used to make physiological measurements; to observe changes in client status; and to observe unsafe environmental conditions.

4. Sufficient hearing ability to interpret messages not solely based on visual cues, to interpret conversation, and to detect sounds that indicate changing client status such as heart tones, breath sounds and blood pressure.

5. Sufficient speech ability to convey oral messages to assigned clients and to other health team members.

6. Sufficient emotional stability to accurately perceive situations influencing the care of assigned clients and to make unimpaired observations and judgments regarding care of assigned clients.

Requests for reasonable accommodations (such as prescribed medications, assistive devices, etc.) which may enable the student to perform the abilities required in the program with accommodation will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Appropriate documentation from a qualified professional or physician substantiating the need for such accommodation must be submitted to the Dean of the Shaffer School of Nursing & Allied Health for consideration. Any information submitted shall be considered confidential and may be shared only with those who have a need to know. A request for accommodation does not necessarily guarantee the student will be able to enter and/or continue in the program. The Dean will consult with the Coordinator of Access and Disability Resources and/or Equal Opportunity Compliance Officer if necessary and will notify the student of any action that must be taken in regard to the request.

Revised: 4/95, 3/01, 4/04, 1/08, 5/13, 7/13, 6/16, 6/17, 7/19
2/06, 5/15, 6/16, 6/17, 6/18, 7/19 Reviewed by Coordinator of Access and Disability Resources
7/13, 6/16, 6/17, 6/18, 7/19 Approved by BC3 Equal Opportunity Compliance Officer
Admission to the Nursing Program is both competitive and selective. A special application packet, available from the Admissions Office or on the BC3 website (www.bc3.edu/admission/healthcare), is required of all prospective students. Applications are accepted beginning August 1, 2019 through October 31, 2019 for August 2020 enrollment in the Nursing Program.

All applicants are considered equally without regard to race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, handicap or disability, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, veteran’s status, marital status, family status, or other classification protected by applicable law.

**However, please note that Nursing students must be 18 years of age prior to the start of their first clinical experience.**

The PA State Board of Nursing may refuse, suspend, or revoke any license in any case where the Board shall find that the applicant:

- Has been convicted or has pleaded guilty or entered a plea of nolo contendere or has been found guilty by a judge or jury of a felony or a crime of moral turpitude, or has received probation without verdict, disposition in lieu of trial or an Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition in the disposition of felony charges, in the courts of this Commonwealth, the United States, or any other state, territory, or county;
- Has committed fraud or deceit in securing his or her admission to the practice of nursing or to nursing school;
- Is unable to practice professional nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of mental or physical illness or condition or physiological or psychological dependence upon alcohol, hallucinogenic or narcotic drugs or other drugs which tend to impair judgment or coordination, so long as such dependence shall continue.

The BC3 Nursing Admissions Selection Committee assumes the responsibility to review the data of all applicants and has the right to offer admission to the best qualified individuals.

**Special enrollment requirements UPON ACCEPTANCE include the following:**

1. Complete required:
   - Act 34/151 Criminal Record Check through PA State Police
   - Child Abuse History Clearance through the PA Department of Welfare
   - FBI Background Check prior to beginning NURS 101 and again if re-admitted to the program

Clearance results must be in compliance with PA State Board of Nursing regulations, Act 169 Older Adult Protective Services Act, and Act 34/151. A student who fails to obtain the requisite Act 169 and Act 34/151 clearances will be unable to attend the required clinical experiences and meet course objectives.
2. Have a satisfactory annual physical examination, tuberculin skin test, immunizations, and negative urine drug screen. Students must have the physical and emotional ability to provide all aspects of safe nursing care. A list of required nursing abilities is available with the admission packet.

3. Provide evidence of successful completion of the American Heart Association cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for the healthcare provider course.

4. Provide proof of health insurance coverage.

5. Malpractice liability insurance is paid as part of the BC3 tuition/fee structure of all Nursing students.

6. Purchase required uniforms.

7. Assume all responsibilities for transportation to and from clinical agencies to which they are assigned for clinical practice.

8. Be available for variations in clinical hours and locations.

The Dean of the Shaffer School of Nursing & Allied Health will meet with accepted Nursing students at a mandatory information session to further explain the process for obtaining the necessary health and clearance requirements indicated above.

LPNs and individuals with prior nursing education and/or experience may be eligible for advanced standing. A separate application packet is available March 2, 2020 with priority consideration given to those who apply on or before May 8, 2020 in the BC3 Admissions Office, BC3 @ Brockway, or on the BC3 website (www.bc3.edu/admission/healthcare). Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Admissions Office at 724-284-8501 or the Shaffer School of Nursing & Allied Health, 724-287-8711 Ext. 8364.

The most current information is listed above. The College reserves the right to amend requirements at any time.
Reviewed: 05/09, 6/10, 8/10, 6/11, 6/13, 6/14, 5/15, 6/16, 6/17, 6/18, 7/19
The following costs for the BC3 Nursing Program are only estimates. These may be changed at any time without prior notice. Additions may also be made to this list without prior notice. The BC3 Nursing and Allied Health Division has no direct control over these costs. See www.bc3.edu for information on full time tuition rate.

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<td>Textbooks (approximate and variable)</td>
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A variety of loans, grants, scholarships, and/or other forms of financial aid are available to nursing students who qualify. Please inquire at the Financial Aid Office in the Student Success Center (724) 287-8711 Ext. 8329. 02/16/07, 1/25/08, 5/27/09, 1/31/11, 6/22/11, 1/26/12, 6/13, 6/14, 5/15, 6/15, 2/16, 2/17, 6/17, 6/18, 7/19
BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Nursing Program
General Studies (100A) Pre-Nursing Support Courses

The following courses may be taken prior to acceptance into the Nursing Program. If you are accepted into the A.A.S in Nursing (208) program, these classes will count toward the 70 credits required for the degree. You must achieve a grade of “C” or better in these classes for acceptance and continuation in the Nursing Program. A 2.80 cumulative GPA minimum is required for a student’s application to be considered for review.

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As a Reminder...

- To be considered for admission, students must complete a high school or college-level Biology course with a laboratory component and a Chemistry course with a laboratory component no more than five years before applying to the Nursing Program. Both courses must be passed with a “C” or better. Please see application for timeframes.

- Students who need a Biology course with a laboratory component may take the BIOL 131: A&P I class which is required in the Nursing program, or they may choose to take BIOL 116: Human Biology or BIOL 101: Biology I. **However, BIOL 116 and BIOL 101 do not count toward Nursing Program degree requirements.**

- Students who need a Chemistry course with a laboratory component should take CHEM 112: Descriptive Chemistry to meet this requirement.

Revised: 7/19
After being accepted to the Nursing Program, if the student chooses the three-year curriculum and maintains a 2.5 GPA or better during the first two semesters, the student may enroll in the first nursing course (NURS 101) in the third semester.

A recommended three-year curriculum plan is shown below:

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* Course has a prerequisite
a Must be taken before or with NURS 101
b Must be taken before or with NURS 102
c Must be taken before or with NURS 103
d Must be taken before or with NURS 104
e College Algebra (MATH 101 or higher may be substituted)
+ Courses that can be taken in advance of acceptance into the Nursing Program
** Courses suggested for a minimum of 12 credits for those students required to be full-time. (Other courses may be substituted or a part-time schedule may be taken.)

The student is encouraged to use the curriculum planner to keep track of courses taken and those still needed. In some cases one or more courses will be taken in a different order than indicated on the planner, but prerequisites must be observed.
The Nursing Program at Butler County Community College is a two-year academically-based program that prepares the graduate to provide and manage direct care to individual clients and their families; and to function as an effective member of the health care team. The graduate is also educated to be a contributing member of the discipline of nursing, committed to professional growth, continuous learning, and self-development. Graduates are eligible to take the licensing examination for registered nurses (NCLEX-RN). The program prepares the graduate for employment as a registered professional nurse in a variety of community-based health care settings including hospitals, long-term care facilities, and other comparable agencies. Successful completion of this program may potentially lead to professional licensure. Licensure may be global, national, or state-specific. This program meets requirements for the State of Pennsylvania. Requirements for other states may vary.

### Program - Minimum 70 Credits

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The student is encouraged to use the curriculum planner to keep track of courses taken and those still needed. In some cases one or more courses will be taken in a different order than indicated on the planner, but prerequisites must be observed.

- * Indicates course has a prerequisite.
- a Must be taken before or with NURS 101 (Nursing I)
- b Must be taken before or with NURS 102 (Nursing II)
- c Must be taken before or with NURS 103 (Nursing III)
- d Must be taken before or with NURS 104 (Nursing IV)
- e College Algebra (Math 101) or higher may be substituted.
- f Must be taken before NURS 105 (Nursing V)
- + Courses that can be taken in advance of acceptance into the Nursing Program.

Reviewed: 2/18, 2/19
Approved by Academic Affairs: 2/21/2017
Approved by Faculty Organization: 3/14/2017
BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
NURSING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

BC3

Remove this page and keep for your personal records.

____ Official high school transcript in a sealed envelope or sent electronically from the school on behalf the student

____ GED®/HiSET scores (if applicable)

____ Official college or university transcript(s) from all previously attended institutions in a sealed envelope or sent electronically from the school on behalf of the student. BC3 transcripts are not required.

____ Disclaimer statement

____ Application for Admission to the Nursing Program

____ $25.00 application fee (if applicable)

____ Official transcript and lab science reference page
  • 2.80 cumulative GPA at the time of application
  • Biology with a lab at high school or college-level passed with a “C” or better in the last five years complete or in progress
  • Chemistry with a lab at high school or college-level passed with a “C” or better in the last five years complete or in progress

____ Early acceptance page. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY; DO NOT SUBMIT IF YOU DO NOT MEET THE OUTLINED REQUIREMENTS.
Do you need to take placement tests? (Check all that apply)

Students are required to complete placement testing, however, may be exempt based on the following:

- English course at BC3 or another college passed with a grade "C" or higher
- Math course at BC3 or another college passed with a grade "C" or higher
- AP English Language & Composition – exam passed with a "3" or higher
- AP Math Statistics or Calculus AB/BC – exam passed with a "3" or higher
- ACT English Score _______  SAT EBRW Score _______
- ACT Math Score _______  SAT Math Score _______

If you selected General Studies (100A), designate your specific area of interest:
- General
- Undecided
- Natural Science and Technology
- Pre-Massage Therapy
- Pre-Medical Assistant
- Pre-Nursing
- Pre-Physical Therapist Assistant

Where do you intend to take the majority of your classes?
- BC3 Main Campus (Butler)
- BC3 @ Armstrong (Ford City)
- BC3 @ Brockway (Brockway)
- BC3 @ Cranberry (Cranberry Township)
- BC3 @ Lawrence Crossing (New Castle)
- BC3 @ LindenPointe (Hermitage)
- Online (Internet)

How many credit hours do you intend to take?
- Full Time - 12+ credits
- Part Time - 1-11 credits
Are you a U.S. citizen? YES / NO
If no, please complete: ☐ I am a permanent resident
Permanent resident card #: ______________________
☐ Other type of VISA: ______________________
☐ Country of citizenship: ______________________
*Must produce documents for photocopy

Are you or have you ever been a service member of the United States military? YES / NO
Circle One

Will you graduate high school before the term you are enrolling? YES / NO
High School Graduation Year: ____________
High School Equivalency Diploma: YES / NO
(GED® or HiSET) Circle One

Name of high school: ______________________
City: ______________________ State: __________

List all colleges, business or technical schools attended:
Name of School * Please include College in High School institutions.
1. ______________________ 3. ______________________
2. ______________________ 4. ______________________

Why did you choose BC3? (Pick one)
☐ Academic programs
☐ Affordability
☐ Close to home
☐ Convenient schedule
☐ Day care
☐ Undecided major

Check if the following statements apply to you:
☐ I have already visited a BC3 location.
☐ I intend to visit a BC3 location in the future.

How do you plan to fund your education? (Check all that apply)
☐ EZ Payment Plan
☐ Financial Aid
☐ Scholarships
☐ Self-Pay

Do you have an interest as an active participant in the intercollegiate athletic program? YES / NO
Circle One

If Yes, check all that apply:
☐ Baseball
☐ Basketball (Men’s and Women’s)
☐ Golf (Men’s and Women’s)
☐ Softball
☐ Volleyball (Women’s)

I understand that BC3 reserves the right to use photographs and video taken in the classroom and/or on campus for educational and promotional purposes of BC3 and its programs.

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Your Signature: ______________________ Date: / / __________

Nondiscrimination Policy
Butler County Community College is committed to providing equal opportunity in admissions and treatment of students, in educational programs for students, in employment opportunities and in governance of the College, without regard to race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, handicap or disability, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, family status, or other classification protected by applicable law.

The College shall take affirmative action to ensure (1) that it does not discriminate against an employee or applicant on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, handicap or disability, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, family status, or other classification protected by applicable law; (2) that it does not subject students to unlawful discrimination in the admission process, take any action, direct or indirect, to segregate students in a classroom or course, or subject students to different or separate treatment in, nor restrict the enjoyment by a student of a service, facility, activity or program at the College on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, handicap or disability, age, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, family status, or other classification protected by applicable law; and (3) that it does not discriminate in the employment of administrators on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, handicap or disability, age, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, family status, or other classification protected by applicable law and that its governance structure includes diverse membership broadly representative of the public interest as may be required by law or regulation.

There shall be no retaliation against any applicant, employee, or student for filing a harassment or discrimination complaint, or assisting, testifying, or participating in the investigation of such a complaint. Any applicant, employee, or student reporting sexual or other harassment or discrimination will also be protected from reprisals or retaliation by the College, any supervisors, and/or coworkers as a result of such complaint(s).

The College is committed to be in compliance with the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act (43 P. S. §§ 951-962.2) and the Pennsylvania Fair Educational opportunities Act (24 P. S. § § 5001-5009). Employment and educational opportunities at Butler County Community College are available to all as required by Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Pennsylvania Fair Educational opportunities Act, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, and all applicable laws and regulations.

For information regarding equal education and employment opportunity including services, activities and facilities that are usable and accessible to disabled persons, contact the Executive Director of Human Resources/Equal opportunity Compliance officer, Butler County Community College by telephone at (724) 287-8711, Ext. 8353, or in writing at 107 College Drive, Butler, PA 16002. If an applicant, employee, or student is physically or mentally disabled, he/she may request accommodations, academic adjustments, or auxiliary aids or services. Information on the College’s services for disabled students may be obtained from the Academic Counselor and Disabilities Coordinator at Ext. 8317. Employees or applicants should contact the Executive Director of Human Resources/Equal opportunity Compliance officer at Ext. 8353 for more information.

For information regarding the College’s Grievance Procedure, visit our website at www.bcc3.edu/humanresources/grievanceprocedure.asp or contact the Executive Director of Human Resources/Equal opportunity Compliance officer, Butler County Community College by telephone at Ext. 8353 or in writing at the above address.
**BC3 NURSING PROGRAM: OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT REFERENCE**

**ALL official transcripts must be turned in with your Nursing Application other than those from BC3**

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**BC3 NURSING PROGRAM: BIOLOGY/CHEMISTRY REFERENCE**

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**Program Format (Must Choose One):**

- ☐ 2-Year Program
- ☐ 3-Year Curriculum Plan (Students with less than 6 college-level credits at the time of application review are eligible to apply for the 3-Year Curriculum Plan)

**Campus Location (Must Choose One):**

- ☐ BC3 Main Campus – Butler, PA
- ☐ BC3 @ Brockway – Brockway, PA

Are you a graduate of a Licensed Practical Nurse Program (LPN)?

- Yes _______  No _______

Do you have any physical disabilities or problems which might interfere with your ability to perform the skills and tasks involved in Nursing?

- Yes _______  No _______

__________________________________________  ____________________________
Student Name (Printed)  Date

__________________________________________  ____________________________
Student Name (Signed)  Phone Number
BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISCLAIMER STATEMENT

Please read and return the following signed and dated statement with your Nursing application.

- I attest that the information in the enclosed Nursing application packet is true and complete to the best of my ability at the time of submission.

- I have read and understand the requirements to apply to the BC3 Nursing program included in this application.

- I understand that it is my responsibility to submit all required official transcripts and complete placement testing (if necessary) by the dates established in this document.

- I realize that the BC3 Nursing program is a selective and competitive program with no guarantee of admission and trust that the Nursing Admissions Selection committee will make the best choices taking in to consideration all factors outlined in this document.

- I recognize Nursing applications for general applicants that are received or post marked after October 31, 2019 will not be considered for admission to the Fall 2020 cohort.

Questions should be directed to the BC3 Admissions Office at 724-284-8501 or admissions@bc3.edu.

___________________________________________________________  __________________________
Student Name (signed)                                                 Date

___________________________________________________________
Student Name (printed)

___________________________________________________________
Preferred email address

___________________________________________________________
Preferred phone number
NURSING EARLY ACCEPTANCE PROGRAM

**ONLY SUBMIT IF YOU MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS LISTED BELOW**

- High School seniors are not eligible for early acceptance
- All courses listed below must be completed at the time of application submission
- Courses cannot be in progress.

BC3 is pleased to offer an early acceptance seat to students applying to the RN Program if you have:

1. A cumulative GPA of 3.25 or better
2. A Biology with a laboratory component passed with a “C” or better within five years *(August 2014 to present)*
3. A Chemistry with a laboratory component passed with a “C” or better within five years *(August 2014 to present)*
4. Anatomy & Physiology 1 and Anatomy & Physiology 2 at college-level passed with a grade of “B” or better in both classes. **Please note: Both Anatomy & Physiology courses must be within five years (August 2014 to present) and be taken at the same institution.**
5. A minimum of SIX additional Pre-Nursing support credits (approx. 2 classes) at the college-level with a grade of “C” or better.
   - College Writing, 3 credits
   - Speech, 3 credits
   - Intermediate Algebra, 3 credits
   - Physical Wellness, 2 credits
   - General Psychology, 3 credits
   - Human Growth and Development, 3 credits
   - General Microbiology, 4 credits
6. A grade of “C” or better in all completed college-level Pre-Nursing support courses.

Other Notes:

- Students who wish to be considered for early acceptance, must declare their intentions by checking the statement at the bottom of this page at the time the application is submitted.
- Early Acceptance students are only eligible to apply for the 2-Year Nursing program option.
- Once the Admissions Office has verified that all criteria are met, the application will be forwarded to the Dean of the Shaffer School of Nursing & Allied Health for consideration.
- Students will be notified in writing by the Dean of the Shaffer School of Nursing & Allied Health of their acceptance. Students will then have 30 days from the date of the letter to accept or deny their seat in the BC3 Nursing Program.
- Students who are not granted early acceptance will still be considered as part of the normal review process outlined previously.

________ Yes, please consider me for early acceptance in to the BC3 Nursing Program. I meet all of the above academic criteria and understand the outlined admission process.

__________________________________________  ____________________________
Student Name (Printed)  Date

__________________________________________  ____________________________
Student Name (Signed)  Phone Number