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in the nursing  
field continue  
to grow.*

## **MWCC** Pre-Nursing Academy

*Open to 2009 & 2010 high school graduates*

MWCC's Pre-Nursing Academy invites 2009 & 2010 high school graduates to apply for this new program which provides opportunity for students to gain access into MWCC's competitive Associate Degree Nursing program. Pre-Nursing Academy students who maintain a 3.3 GPA through the Pre-Nursing program will enter MWCC's Nursing Associate's Degree program during the fall of their second year.

### **Benefits**

- Access to MWCC's highly competitive Nursing Degree program, a renowned program close to home
- Become part of a cohort of Pre-nursing Academy students
- Opportunity to become a nurse in three years with options to transfer into a nursing bachelor's degree program
- Specialized learning communities for pre-requisite coursework
- Leadership opportunities
- Nursing Club membership

### **Requirements**

- Application to the Pre-Nursing Academy. Admission criteria includes GPA, SAT scores, and 2 recommendation letters by the student's guidance counselor, science or math teacher, employer or other teacher (see the Pre-nursing Academy application for more information).
- The College Placement Test (CPT) must be completed by the student.
- Students must test into ENG 101 & MAT126 or a higher level math prior to being accepted into the Pre-Nursing Academy.
- Pre-nursing Academy students must maintain a GPA of 3.3 or better in their coursework to be accepted to the MWCC Nursing Associate's Degree program during their second year



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**Admissions Office**

**444 Green Street, Gardner, MA 01440**  
**(978) 630-9284 FAX: (978) 630-9554**  
**Email: admissions@mwcc.mass.edu**

# Pre-Nursing Academy

## The application process:

This information packet explains the admissions process, as well as the entrance requirements for the Pre-Nursing Academy program at Mount Wachusett Community College. Please read this information carefully. Students may be eligible to enter the A.S. Nursing degree program upon completion of the academy. Mount Wachusett Community College seeks to enroll students who will succeed academically, thrive socially and contribute meaningfully to the campus community.

Admission to this program is competitive and seats are limited. Therefore, everyone who applies may not be admitted to the program.

Your high school academic record is the single most important factor in our evaluation process for academy admission. The quality and level of courses, grade point average, and grade trends are all important factors. SAT I and/or ACT scores, counselor and teacher recommendations are required as is a personal essay. Your work and/or volunteer experience and extracurricular activities may strengthen your overall credentials for admission. SAT II test scores are not required but may add support to your application. The TOEFL is recommended for students who are not native speakers of English.

The grades you earn in college preparatory courses are re-calculated into a grade point average (GPA). In re-calculating your GPA, you will receive extra credit for honors or Advanced Placement courses. Non-college preparatory courses are not included; therefore, the GPA calculated by the College will be different than the GPA calculated by your high school.

Your grades will be converted to a 4.0 scale, where "A" = 4.0, "B" = 3.0, "C" = 2.0, and "D" = 1.0. On this scale, a 3.0 GPA is equal to a "B" average. A 3.0 minimum GPA is preferred.

Candidates for admission who have completed the high school diploma requirement by earning the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) must submit official GED score reports with a preferred minimum attainment in the 75th percentile in all subject areas; an official copy of the high school transcript showing work completed and/or attempted with grades earned; and a personal statement of no fewer than 150 words outlining academic and career goals as well as life experience and/or a professional resume.

## How to apply:

Students can obtain academy applications from their guidance counselors. Applications may also be obtained from the admissions office, Mount Wachusett Community College, 444 Green Street, Gardner, MA 01440, (978)630-9284.

### Each applicant must submit the following materials:

- An official copy of the high school or GED transcript; Note: Students must be 2009 or 2010 high school or GED graduates only.
- A completed college application accompanied by the \$10.00 application fee.
- An official copy of SAT I, ACT, or TOEFL (for non-native speakers of English). Note: Test results should be submitted directly to the College from the testing agency.
- Two recommendations: one from a Guidance Counselor and one from a math or science teacher, or employer, or other teacher.
- Essay or personal statement about interest and intention in the Nursing profession.

*NOTE:* Beginning in spring 2005, the SAT I will include a student-written essay and multiple choice writing section. Mount Wachusett Community College will require official scores of all SAT I results only. SAT II results may be submitted to support your application.

High school students should request an official high school transcript that includes at least the first marking period of the senior year. Also, a final high school transcript must be requested at the time of graduation that indicates successful completion of the requirements to graduate from high school. All transcript materials requested by the applicant become the property of Mount Wachusett Community College and cannot be released to the applicant or to other institutions or agencies.

Students must take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) prior to being accepted into the Associate Degree Nursing Program. The TEAS is a computer based assessment that tests students on their Reading, Mathematics, Science, English, and Language Usage Skills. The (TEAS) must be completed by March 15 of your second semester.

## INFORMATION SESSIONS:

The nursing department offers monthly information sessions that will include program information, the admissions process, and financial aid information. Attendance at one information session is strongly suggested. Transcript reviews are not conducted at these sessions. Please call (978) 630-9284

## Priority Application Deadlines for fall 2010:

Enrollment in the Pre-Nursing Academy is restricted to fall semester only. Students should submit the required application materials to the admissions office by March 15. However, Mount Wachusett Community College will accept academy applications through June 1 on a space available basis.



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## Application for Admissions

### Personal Information:

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

Other last name(s) under which records may appear: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: Number & Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: Number & Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Country (non-U.S.) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \* \_\_\_\_\_ \*must be completed if you are applying for financial aid.

Gender: (optional)  Male  Female

**Ethnic Background:** Please help us to determine how well MWCC serves our region by completing the following question.

Do you identify yourself as:

Hispanic or Latino  Not Hispanic or Latino

**Race:** Select one or more races to indicate what you consider yourself to be.

American Indian or Alaskan Native  Asian  Black or African American  White  
 Native Hawaii or Pacific Islander  Cape Verdean

### Citizenship: (required)

- I am a citizen of the United States.
- I am a Permanent Resident of the United States with a valid I-551 card. I-551 registration number: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am a citizen of \_\_\_\_\_ country
- I will need an F-1 VISA if I am accepted. (International applicants must submit an affidavit of financial support with their application.)
- I have a VISA other than F-1 and I do not need an F-1 VISA. VISA type: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ mm/dd/yyyy Birth Place \_\_\_\_\_ (state only) or country if other than U.S.A. \_\_\_\_\_

**Identity Security Question:** In what city were you born? \_\_\_\_\_

### Residency Information: (required)

- I have lived in Massachusetts continuously since \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ . If less than (6) months, previous state of residence \_\_\_\_\_.
- I do not reside in Massachusetts, but have a natural parent who provides financial support and who is a legal Massachusetts resident. Therefore, I qualify for in-state residency. (documentation is required and applies only to students 24 years of age or younger.)

### Natural Parent/Legal Resident Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Number & Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I am not a resident of Massachusetts, I am a resident of \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Information:** The high school I most recently attended on from which I graduated is: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ CEEB Code: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Country (If other than U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_

Attended From \_\_\_ month/Year \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_ month/year \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Tested or plan to be tested on the SATI, ACT, TOEFL, ELPT ( Mount Wachusett Community College CEEB Code # 3545).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Test: \_\_\_\_\_

