

Medical Assistant to Practical Nursing Bridge Admissions Guide

For admission into pre-program, onto the waitlist and into the program itself, complete the steps listed on this page.

INITIAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS	COMPLETED
Apply to the MA to PN Bridge Program nwtc.edu/apply This is your first step. Please submit only one application to the term you plan to start taking any courses (including gen studies) at NWTC after high school graduation or equivalent.	☐
Submit Transcripts Send high school AND college transcripts (if applicable) to transcripts@nwtc.edu NOTE: To be valid and official, transcripts must come directly from the institution to NWTC.	☐
Complete Placement Assessments/Evaluation Placement can be met with a high school or college GPA of 2.6 or higher, or with the ACT or Accuplacer. It is important that all transcripts are sent (for review) to determine if further assessment is needed.	☐
Complete Pre-Program Confirmation. This will be a Task assigned to you in your student portal.	☐

By completing the items **above this point**, you'll be eligible for **preprogram status** to start general studies coursework at NWTC.

BRIDGE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	COMPLETED
Graduate of an Accredited Medical Assistant Program & License Must include Pharmacology for Allied Health (or equivalent). Submit official transcripts & license (if applicable) to admissions@nwtc.edu .	☐
Complete 3,000 hours as a CMA* within the past 3 years (with recent experience in last 12 months) *If you are not a certified Medical Assistant, will accept 6,000 hours of current work experience. Complete Employment Verification .	☐

COURSEWORK REQUIREMENTS	COMPLETED
Oral/Interpersonal Communication (NWTC Catalog #10801196)	☐
Developmental Psychology (NWTC Catalog #10809188)	☐
English Comp (NWTC Catalog #10801136)	☐

Once enrolled into your last coursework requirement, the below clinical requirements should be completed.

CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS IN VIEWPOINT	COMPLETED
Create Viewpoint account & complete background check, health records, CPR, & drug test. Visit viewpointscreening.com and follow step-by-step instructions: go.nwtc.edu/viewpointhelp . For Viewpoint questions, use chat feature or contact their customer support. Note: There are Viewpoint fees. *If you haven't completed an American Heart Assoc Basic Life Support CPR course, you will need to complete one (NWTC catalog #47531200). When all Viewpoint items are completed AND approved, email cbc@nwtc.edu so completion can be verified and this checklist item can be marked complete ASAP.	☐
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When all requirements on page 1 are completed and processed, you'll receive a Task in your student portal to complete the Program Declaration form. This is the final step (before program acceptance) where you'll declare your track and location.

FAQs

Q. How long is the waitlist (if applicable)?

A. If there is a waitlist, wait times vary based on program demand and space. You will become eligible for the waitlist once all admissions requirements are complete and you are academically prepared for core coursework. Students would be offered a spot and would need to accept/confirm that spot. Wait times can be greater than 6 months.

Q. What if I have transfer credits?

A. A transfer review is automatically completed AFTER you have applied AND submitted your official transcripts. If you had fewer than 60 college credits at a C or higher, you must also send your high school transcript. It can take around 2+ weeks for transfer credits to be processed. If you have completed **core** nursing course at another college, you **must be in good standing** and core courses are reviewed for approval by the health division. Visit <https://go.nwtc.edu/good-standing> to **complete the letter of good standing**.

Q. What if I don't have a 2.6 GPA or my scores are not high?

A. It is common for students to take developmental courses to ensure their success at NWTC. Your first step is to apply and send NWTC your transcripts for review. Once your transcripts are processed, you may need additional testing to help determine which courses to start with. We will send communication if additional steps are needed toward determining your course placement.

Q. How flexible is the schedule?

A. NWTC's MA to PN program is a part-time track that takes 4 semesters/14 months to complete. There are in-person clinicals and labs. AM Clinicals can begin as early as 6am and PM clinicals can begin as early as 2-3pm. General education courses are offered in a variety of formats. View color-coded curriculum example (these show what classes are in each semester, the format they're offered, typical days/times, and clinicals info) below:

- [Part-time Spring Start](#)

Q. Accreditation and Program Outcomes:

A. This program is accredited by the ACEN: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. Prior to licensure as an LPN, a student is required to pass the NCLEX-PN Exam. NWTC nursing graduates report greater than 90 percent job placement as LPNs within six months of graduation.

Stay on Track with Your Application!

View your application checklist and track your progress by logging into your NWTC Student Portal
student-portal.nwtc.edu/Admissions/NextSteps



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