

Kaua'i Community College  
Associate of Science Degree in Nursing  
Application for Fall Admission 2026  
Application Deadline May 1, 2026

**Submit Applications to:**

Kaua'i Community College  
Attn: Health Science Advisor  
Counseling and Advising, OSC 102G  
3-1901 Kaumuali'i Highway  
Lihue, HI 96766-9500

Completed applications accepted only during the application period (faxed or emailed copies will not be accepted).

*All prerequisites must be completed by the end of the Spring 2026 semester.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ UH ID# \_\_\_\_\_

List other name(s) used on documents: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

- I am a continuing student or updated my application to the University of Hawaii System
- I am new to the University of Hawaii System and have completed my application to KCC

Please attach the following forms to complete your Nursing Application:

- Admissions Rubric
- Transcripts or STAR Report
- TEAS Transcript
- Healthcare/Work Experience Documentation Form (do not need letters of recommendation)
- Official letter from instructor indicating your course grade for Spring (if not posted on transcript)

Applicant Certification: I certify that the answers and responses provided for all of the items on this Application and Admissions Rubric are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that providing incorrect or false information may result in the rescission or denial of my admission to the Nursing Program and subject me to the requirements and/or disciplinary measures as provided under the University's Student Code of Conduct. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**KAUAI COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAREER LADDER NURSING PROGRAM ADMISSIONS RUBRIC**

<b>Course Work</b> Prerequisite courses may only be repeated once Student repeating courses: the most recent grade will be recorded for the course (not necessarily the highest grade) (effective 5/2024)	<b>Credits Need</b>	<b>Semester and Year Completed</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Possible points awarded</b>	<b>My Points</b>
ENG 100 Composition I (FW)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
PSY 240 or HDFS 230 (DS)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
MATH 100 or higher (FQ)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
MICR 130 General Microbiology (DB) ( only offered in Fall semester at Kauai CC)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
PHYL 141 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (DB)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
PHYL 141L Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (DY)	1			A=3, B=2, C= 1	
PHYL 142 Human Anatomy & Physiology II (DB)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
PHYL 142L Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (DY)	1			A=3, B=2, C= 1	
NURS 212 Pathophysiology (must be taken at Kauai CC)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
Any DA, DH or DL course (required for AS degree beginning Fall 2023, required by May 2024)	3			A=4, B=3, C= 1	
<b>Total Prerequisite course Points</b>					
<b>Minimum GPA on Prerequisite courses 2.75</b>				Yes or No	
<b>Optional Courses to be considered</b>					
Micr 140 General Microbiology Laboratory C or higher ++ (Only offered in Fall semester at Kauai CC)				A= 4, B= 3, C= 1	
HLTH 140 Medical Terminology C or higher				A= 3, B= 2, C= 1	
<b>TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills)</b> <b>This pre-nursing test is required.</b> See your counselor for more information. <b>Proficient scores (58.7%) in all categories are the minimum scores accepted.</b> May only take the <b>test two times</b> during a calendar year and must <b>wait thirty days between test attempts.</b>	<b>Please indicate your score in each category</b> <b>Reading score:</b> _____ <b>Mathematics score:</b> _____ <b>Science score:</b> _____ <b>English &amp; Language usage score:</b> _____  <b>Total Score:</b> _____ <b>Acad Prep Level</b> _____			5=Exemplary 3=Advanced 2=Proficient  <b>Points will be awarded based on the Adjusted Total individual score</b>	

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<b>Other Points</b>		
Academic completion of a health care program (Please attach proof of Certificate of completion of the healthcare training program)	CNA: 2 points   MEDA : 2 points   EMT/ MICT: 2 points LPN: 3 points Public health certification completion: 1 point Other programs: determined by admissions committee	
Residency	Residency must be validated by the Registrar at Kauai CC	5 = Kauai 2 = Hawaii 1 = Other
Work Experience in health care +++ See RUBRIC below and Next page *****	Up to 5 points possible; Admissions committee will determine the points based on work experience documentation submitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter to confirm work experience, dates employed, employment status at the time of application and number of hours working (standard form on website) must be submitted</li> <li>You do not need letters of recommendation</li> </ul>	
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>		

++ Highly recommended and required for BSN. Taking Micro 140 qualifies for extra points for admission.

+++ Nurse Aide strongly recommended, not required.

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Please see the next page for Healthcare Experience Point Rubric

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**\*\*\*HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE POINT ASSIGNMENT RUBRIC  
(RANGE 0-5 POINTS)**

**PURPOSE:** The Kauai CC Nursing Program faculty sees the **benefit** of **direct patient care** experience which is founded on candidates' providing Activities of Daily living (ADL) care and practicing therapeutic communication skills; what (certified) nurse aides are trained to do and practice on a daily basis. The **aim** of this recommendation is to have incoming students more comfortable and familiar in the clinical setting because they already have **PRACTICE experience** with interacting and engaging with patients in a formal clinical setting. Nursing faculty have found that this gives practiced students an advantage over students with little or no experience, in RELATING to patients/residents and what direct care is, means, and how it is evaluated through performance measures (time management, organizational skills, and prioritizing).

For determination of point assignments concerning healthcare experience, if any, please refer to the following rubric:

0 Points	0.5 Points	1- 5 Points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No healthcare experience</li> <li>● Only clinical practicum associated with Home Health Aide or Certified Nurse Assistant coursework</li> <li>● Front desk at health care facility</li> <li>● Patient Care Coordinator</li> <li>● Patient Relations &amp; Compliance Manager</li> <li>● Care provided for farm animals (e.g. Veterinary Tech)</li> <li>● Care provided for a loved one or acquaintance without certified documentation</li> </ul>	<p>Some experience in working with the public or a member of your 'ohana by taking health histories, writing event reports (scribe), emergency/safety services (EMT, police officer, firefighter), public health (vaccinations, etc.), providing complementary therapies (massage therapist, doctor of chiropractic), surgical aide, patient safety attendant, registered behavior technician, optometric assistant, dental assistant, lab assistant, phlebotomist, medical assistant, and home care (caregiver, direct support professional).*</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Minimum length of time required is six months. The service does not have to be consecutive but must have occurred within the last two years (prior to applying). The length of time can be accrued via multiple employers over a specific period of time over a two-year period of time.</li> <li>2) If the applicant has provided direct care for a loved one or acquaintance, the student <b>must provide certified documentation</b> (via the patient's PCP, Case Worker, etc.) that direct patient care has been or is being provided.</li> </ol>	<p align="center">Nurse Aide/Assistant</p> <p>A broad <b>definition of Nurse Assistant:</b></p> <p><i><b>*Nurse Aide/Assistant:</b> Individuals who work in hospitals, extended care facilities, private nursing agencies, and home health agencies under the <b>direct supervision</b> of an LPN or RN.</i></p> <p><i>Nurse Assistant role and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:</i></p> <p>Providing basic care to patients and residents, as well as assisting them in daily activities they might have trouble with on their own, such as bathing. Because of the personal nature of the job, nursing <b>assistants</b> should be compassionate and enjoy helping others.</p> <p><i>(either certified or not) with at least 6 mos. of experience is required with an employer who:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Actively monitors and evaluates the employee's performance</li> <li>● Requires that the nurse assistant work with an assigned patient load (groups of patients/residents).**</li> </ul> <p>Job titles may include hospital aide, nurse aide, certified nurse aide, nursing assistant, patient care technician- dialysis, clinical assistant to nurse midwife, and home health aide (HHA)***</p>

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	<p>*Eligible for 0.5 points because the candidate does NOT meet the criteria (definition, role, or responsibilities) for Nurse Aide/Assistant.</p>	<p>** This experience and exposure to multiple patients/significant others and facility policies definitely prepares them for the rigor of the nursing program and what is expected of each student in the provision of safe care in our program's mandated clinical practicum.</p> <p>There is no requirement that the aide be certified -- because all employers do not require so. Faculty also understand that certification is very costly. However, the assistant must be able to provide safe ADL care in accordance with their job description.</p> <p>Employment is verified with an agency during the application process in order to confirm the candidate is/was indeed employed as a Nurse Assistant and performing the associated responsibilities of a Nurse Assistant.</p> <p>*** an HHA who takes patients grocery shopping, cooks for them, or tidies the patient's house without direct patient care does not count.</p> <p>Work experience as a CNA will be considered also</p> <p>CNA experience &lt; 6 months          6 months - 1 year          &gt; than one year</p>
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Adapted from University of Hawaii -Maui College Nursing Program admission process