Dear Perspective Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Accelerated Option for Licensed Practical Nurses at Finger Lakes Community College (FLCC). Eligibility for final acceptance into this program is competitive and will be on a space available basis. All Nursing Department Guidelines and Procedures and Admission Requirements apply to this program option.

Please read this entire letter and follow all the directions. This letter and the following informational materials regarding this program option contain important information about the program that you need to be familiar with. If you have any questions, contact the Nursing Department at (585) 785-1345.

To be eligible for consideration for admission to the Accelerated Option for LPNS program you must have the following (a-i) on file with the Department of Nursing by October 1, 2020 at 4:00 PM:

a. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required for entry into the FLCC Accelerated Option for Licensed Practical Nurses. All college coursework will be factored in the GPA calculation. Borderline candidates who have demonstrated recent academic success will be reviewed by the Nursing Admissions Committee. [https://www.flcc.edu/academics/nursing/accelerated.cfm]

b. Proof that all prerequisites have been met. [https://www.flcc.edu/academics/nursing/accelerated.cfm]
   Note: The Nursing Department will accept transfer credit for Anatomy & Physiology I with a grade of “C” or higher if taken within ten years of beginning the first required nursing course in the FLCC AAS Nursing Accelerated Option for LPNs program option.

c. Current NYS licensure as an LPN (copy of registration certificate must be submitted to the Nursing Department).

d. Nursing Department application for Accelerated Program for LPNs.

e. Completed application to FLCC on file in FLCC Admissions Department

f. Official Transcript of LPN program. (Send directly to the FLCC Nursing Department).

    g. Official college transcripts of each Collegiate Institute attended. (Send directly to the Nursing Department). Note: Failure to submit ALL academic transcripts from each collegiate institute attended will result in dismissal from the program.

h. Two letters of professional reference. These letters must be written on professional letterhead and must address your competency as a licensed practical nurse in the health care setting. They must be signed by the person writing the letter and sent directly to the Department of Nursing.

i. Documentation to support the award of 6 Articulated credits for FLCC Fundamentals of Nursing earned by having either:
   Graduated within the past two years from an ACEN accredited LPN program with an average of 84, B, or 3.0 or better in nursing courses. If this condition is met, no examination will be required to validate learning equivalent to FLCC Fundamentals of Nursing course (NUR 100). Upon admission and acceptance into the accelerated option, six credits will be granted for NUR 100. If you believe you meet this requirement you must contact the Department of Nursing before October 1, 2020 to discuss this.

OR
Achieved a grade of C+ on the FLCC Fundamentals of Nursing Challenge Exam. This exam will be offered on July 29, 2020. The cost of the challenge exam is equal to one FLCC credit hour. You must reserve your place with Deb Jorgensen, the Nursing Department Secretary, by 4:00 PM on July 22, 2020. Deb can be reached by phone at 585-785-1345.

OR

Achieved a grade of C or better as determined by Excelsior College on the Excelsior College Fundamentals of Nursing Practice Examination. Link: http://www.excelsior.edu/exams/fundamentals

Please note the following Nursing Department Guidelines and Procedures. These apply to students who have been in an RN program other than the FLCC nursing program:

a. A prospective student who has two or more unsuccessful attempts in nursing course work as defined by the previous program(s) attended in two different semesters in a nursing program other than FLCC’s will not be eligible for admission to the FLCC nursing program.

b. Any student who has had one attempt in nursing course work in a nursing program other than FLCC, must arrange for the director of that nursing program to submit a letter attesting that he/she left that program in good clinical standing. Any student not in good clinical standing or who does not submit a letter, will not be considered for admission to the FLCC nursing program. It is the responsibility of the student requesting admission to follow up on the requested letter.

c. Failure to submit ALL academic transcripts from each collegiate institute attended will result in dismissal from the program.

d. If any courses in the FLCC nursing sequence have already been completed, a grade of C or better is required in these courses to be eligible for admission into this program option.

It is the student’s responsibility to follow up with the Department of Nursing to ensure that all documents are on file in the Nursing Department by the due date of October 1, 2020.

If you are planning for January 2021 admission into our program, unless you graduated within the past two years from an ACEN accredited LPN program with an average of 84, B, or 3.0 or better in nursing courses you should be preparing to take either the FLCC Challenge Examination-Fundamentals of Nursing on July 29, 2020 or the Excelsior College Examination – Catalog Number NURX 210/ 403 Fundamentals of Nursing
https://www.excelsior.edu/exam/fundamentals-of-nursing/

Note: A Nursing Challenge Exam test score is good for 2 years from the date it was taken. Any challenge exam may only be taken once.

Information regarding the FLCC Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100) Challenge Examination

This exam will be offered on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 from 09:00 – 11:00 AM or 6:00 – 8:00 PM in room 2775 (Keuka wing) on the Canandaigua campus. This is the ONLY date and time the FLCC Challenge Examination for NUR100- Fundamentals of Nursing will be offered. The passing score required to earn a waiver for Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100) is a “C+”.

Note: The FLCC NUR100 Challenge Examination can only be taken only once.

If there is a concert at CMAC on July 29, 2020, please allow extra time for parking and entry into the building.
The cost of the FLCC Challenge Examination for Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100) is 1 credit hour ($197.00) and payment must be made prior to the exam to Student Accounts.

If you paid for the exam prior to the COVID19 closure of offices, simply bring the signed Departmental Challenge Examination for Matriculated FLCC Students form with you to the testing session.

If you have not already paid for the testing: You may either wait until closer to July 29th, and bring the Departmental Challenge Examination for Matriculated FLCC Students form (in this packet) to campus and pay in person for the testing. (Hopefully by early/mid-July the Student Accounts Office will open again to accept payments in person.)

OR

You can mail the Departmental Challenge Examination for Matriculated FLCC Students form (in this packet) with either a check or money order payable to FLCC, OR with a completed credit card payment form on the Student Accounts webpage https://www.flcc.edu/pdf/bursar/creditauthform.pdf

The mailing address is:
Finger Lakes Community College
Attn: Student Accounts
3325 Marvin Sands Drive
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Student Accounts will process the payment and then send the completed form to Deb Jorgensen as confirmation that you have paid for the test. Anne Swackhamer from Student Accounts is familiar with this process. Her contact information is as follows: Anne.Swackhamer@flcc.edu

If you plan to take the FLCC Challenge Examination- Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100) exam on July 29, 2020 you need to reserve your place with Debra Jorgensen, Nursing Department Secretary, by 4:00PM by July 22, 2020. Debra can be reached by phone at 585-785-1345 or by email: Debra.Jorgensen@flcc.edu.

If you are planning to take the FLCC Challenge Examination for Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100), and require special testing accommodations you must contact Debra Jorgensen, the Nursing Department Secretary, no later than three (3) weeks before your scheduled testing date so testing arrangements can be made.

You will need to bring two #2 pencils with you to the exam along with your exam payment receipt. Scrap paper and calculators will be provided. You will be allowed two hours to complete the exam. You will be notified of your test results within a few days by mail. The Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100) text book and syllabus that is used in the Nursing Program is on reserve in the college library. You may use this text or any fundamentals of nursing textbook to review for the exam.

Information regarding the Excelsior Challenge Examination for Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100)
If you are planning to take Excelsior College Examination (Catalog Number NURX 210/ 403 Fundamentals of Nursing) the cost of the exam is $380. The following link will take you to the NLN Website. Here you will see information regarding how to prepare and register for the test. https://www.excelsior.edu/exam/fundamentals-of-nursing/

The passing score required on this exam to earn a waiver for Fundamentals of Nursing (NUR100) is a “C”. Request that the official test transcript be sent directly to the Department of Nursing. The test transcript must be on file by October 1, 2020 at 4:00 PM or you will not be eligible for consideration for January 2021 admission. It is your responsibility to contact Debra Jorgensen the Nursing Department Secretary (585 785 1345) to verify that your transcript has been received.
Additional General Admission Information:
We will begin in October 2020 the review and ranking of all candidates for admission to the spring 2021 Accelerated Program for LPNs. You will be eligible for review and ranking if the Nursing Department has received all the documents to support eligibility identified on pages 1&2 a.– i. by 4pm October 1st 2020. Since admission is quite competitive, once it has been determined that you are eligible for admission you will be ranked for admission. You will receive by mail a notification of your eligibility for admission, and further information regarding testing of your skill competency (dry sterile dressing and sterile gloving), and the math self-assessment components of the admission process. Pending satisfactory completion of the skill competencies and taking the math self-assessment you will be eligible for final admission on a space available basis. You will receive the final admission notification by the end of December. Please note that if you are unsuccessful in the admission process for spring 2021 and wish to reapply for spring 2022, you must submit new application forms.

If you have any questions regarding the admission process don’t hesitate to contact Debra Jorgensen, the Nursing Department Secretary by phone @ 585-785-1345 or by email Debra.Jorgensen@flcc.edu.

Sincerely,

Mary Coriale, Professor of Nursing
Department of Nursing Chairperson
INFORMATION SHEET

ACCELERATED OPTION FOR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES

A.A.S. in Nursing

Objective: Assist Licensed Practical Nurses to obtain A.A.S. degree in Nursing.

1. Submit Nursing Department application for Accelerated Option for Licensed Practical Nurses - A.A.S. in Nursing and return to the Nursing Department preferably by 4pm August 21, 2020.

2. Submit Finger Lakes Community College Admissions application before October 1, 2020 so high school transcripts can be obtained.

3. Prerequisites Coursework:
   Before admission to this sequence, the following prerequisites must be met:

   **Must provide documentation by October 1, 2020 that the following prerequisites have been met:**

   1. Graduated from an accredited high school or equivalency diploma
   2. Math Prerequisite – Students may take high school algebra, college algebra, or FLCC MAT 090 Basic Mathematical Concepts of Nursing Students to fulfill the math per-requisite for Nursing.
   3. High School Chemistry with lab or college equivalent (CHM 092 at FLCC).
   4. General Education (FLCC courses or approved transfer credit)
      - Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4 cr.) *
      - Composition I (3 cr.)
      - Introduction to Psychology (3 cr.)
   5. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required for entry into the FLCC Accelerated Option for Licensed Practical Nurses. All college coursework will be factored in the GPA calculation. Borderline candidates who have demonstrated recent academic success will be reviewed by the Nursing Admissions Committee.
   6. If any courses in the FLCC A.A.S. Nursing sequence have already been completed, a grade of C or better is required in these courses to be eligible for admission into this program option.

   *The Department of Nursing will accept transfer credit for Anatomy & Physiology I with a grade of “C” or higher if taken within ten years of beginning the first required nursing course in the FLCC AAS Nursing Accelerated Option for LPNs program option.*

If the items above are not on file in the Nursing Department by October 1, 2020 4:00 PM, your application will not be considered.
4. **Nursing Component:**
   All of the following items a-i must be submitted to the Nursing Department by October 1, 2020 by 4:00 PM for your application to be considered.

   a. Proof that GPA requirement has been met.  
      [https://www.flcc.edu/academics/nursing/accelerated.cfm](https://www.flcc.edu/academics/nursing/accelerated.cfm)
   b. Proof that all prerequisites have been met.  
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5. **General Education**
   FLCC courses or approved college level courses with transferred credit of a “C” grade or better:
   
   **NOTE:** If any courses in the FLCC A.A.S. Nursing sequence have already been completed, a grade of C or better is required in these courses to be eligible for admission into this program option. (Refer to the Recommended Sequence located beginning on the bottom of the next page.) **Applicants are required to submit to the Nursing Department official college transcripts from ALL institutions previously attended. Failure to submit academic transcripts from ALL collegiate institutions attended will result in dismissal from the program.**
ALL transcripts must be on file by October 1, 2020 at 4:00 PM. 
It is the applicant’s responsibility to follow up with the Department of Nursing to ensure that all documents are on file in the Nursing Department by October 1, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

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6. Once a student has been determined eligible for admission, the following must be satisfactorily met: Nursing skill competency- dry sterile dressing (DSD) and gloving. Each eligible candidate must successfully complete these skills to be considered for admission into the nursing program. Detailed information about this will be sent to you at a later date (once you have been deemed eligible for admission). The testing will occur in December 2020.

**Recommended Sequence:**

**Winter Session (2 Credit hours)**
- NUR 105 Nursing Process (1)
- MAT 115 Mathematics for Health Care Professionals (1)

**Spring Semester (18 Credit Hours)**
- NUR 101 Nursing Care of the Adult and Child I (8)
- BIO 172 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4)
- PSY 200 Life Span Development (3)
- COM/ENG 125 Healthcare Communication (3)

**Summer Session (8 Credit Hours)**
- NUR 204 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing (4)
- BIO 230 Microbiology (4)

**Fall Semester (15 Credit Hours)**
- NUR 202 Nursing Care of the Adult and Child II (9)
- NUR 215 Nursing Seminar (2)
Recommended Fall Semester Sequence continued

- SUNY General Education approved course in one of the following categories (3)*:
  - American History
  - Western Civilization
  - Other World Civilization
  - World (Foreign) Language
  - The Arts
  - Humanities
  - Mathematics OR
  - SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology

- Health/Physical Education (1)

Spring Semester (6 Credit Hours)

- NUR 203 Maternal–Child Health Nursing** (4)
- NUR 260 Nursing Capstone Internship (2)

*NOTE: Suggested courses that can satisfy this requirement include ANT 111 Cultural Anthropology, HIS 265 The Black Death and Beyond: How Disease Has Changed History; ASL 101 American Sign Language I (or higher), FRN 101 French 1 (or higher). The College Catalog includes a list of all the courses satisfying each of these categories. The program would also like students to still have the option to take SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology, despite this resulting in the additional SUNY General Education category not being met.

**This course may be challenged.
FINGER LAKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Department of Nursing

Please mail to Department of Nursing Preferably by August 21, 2020

Applicant’s Form for Accelerated Option for LPN’s

NAME: ____________________________________________

ADDRESS: ________________________________________
Street City State Zip Code

PHONE: ____________________ SS# ____________________

Email address: ____________________

Date of Application: _________________

Intended entrance date to accelerated program: ________________________

LPN School: ______________________________________

Graduation Date: _________________ Current LPN License #: _______________

Employment: (list most recent employment first)
1. ________________________________
2. ________________________________
3. ________________________________

Prerequisites:
Date of high school graduation or equivalency diploma: ________________

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**College Level Course work completed** - *Courses in bold italic are prerequisites for admission.*

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Waiver:
Graduated within the past two years from an ACEN Accredited School with an average of 84, B, or 3.0 or better in nursing.

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April 2020 (revised)
Departmental Challenge Examination for Matriculated Students

Instructions to Student:
1. Make arrangements with Department Chairperson/faculty member to take the Challenge Examination.
2. Complete the top three sections of this form.
3. Have the supervising faculty member and the Department Chairperson sign off on this form.
4. Take this form to the Student Accounts Office to pay the Challenge Examination fee (equal to the cost of one credit hour of tuition). Have Student Accounts endorse the form after you have made payment.
5. Return this form to the supervising faculty member. After you take the exam, your supervising faculty member will return this form to the Student Records Office and make a recommendation for credit based on your grade (“C” grades or higher receive credit; “C+” or higher for the NUR100 Challenge exam).

Student Information (please print):
FLCC ID #: _____________

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Challenge Examination Information:
Course Number/Title (ex. NUR203 – Maternal-Child Health): Fundamentals of Nursing FLCC Challenge Exam
Credit Hours: 6
Supervising Faculty Member’s Name: Mary Coriale, Nursing Department Chair
Intended Date of Examination: July 29, 2020

Student Signature:
I agree to the administration of the Challenge Examination noted above; I understand that prior to the exam I will pay the Challenge Examination Fee (equal to the cost of one credit hour of tuition). I understand that I must receive a grade of “C” (“C+” for the NUR100 challenge exam) or higher to receive FLCC credit for taking this Challenge Examination. I understand that Challenge Examination fees are non-refundable, regardless of the outcome of my exam.

Signature __________________________ Date: __________________

Authorizations:
Supervising Faculty Member: Mary Coriale __________________________ Date: 03/30/2020
Department Chairperson: Mary Coriale __________________________ Date: 03/30/2020
Student Accounts: __________________________ Amount Paid: __________________________ Date: __________________

Recommendation for Credit:
Student's Grade: ____________ Recommend credit ☐ Credit not recommended ☐
Supervising Faculty Member: __________________________ Date: __________________

Return form to: Deb Jorgensen, Nursing Department
Finger Lakes Community College
3325 Marvin Sands Drive
Canandaigua, NY 14424
CPR Certification

A course requirement for Nursing 101 and all your future nursing courses is current CPR certification. The only course that satisfies this requirement is: Basic Life Support for the BLS Provider offered by the American Heart Association.

CPR for the Professional Rescuer offered by the American Red Cross, the 3-hour “Heart Saver” and “Community CPR” courses do not meet this requirement. We urge you to sign up for a course as soon as possible to meet this requirement.

If you are already certified and your certification expires before June 2020, you must update your certification. We will require proof of CPR certification the first class day of Nursing Process class in the January of 2021. At that time, we will document for our records your certification status and its expiration date. Keep in mind for further planning that your CPR status must be current at the beginning of each of the remaining clinical courses. If it is due to expire during the course it must be updated prior to the beginning of that particular course.
Estimated Educational Expenses for a Nursing Student

Note: The following are an approximate estimation of costs and subject to change.

Full-time tuition (per semester New York State residents) $2261+
fees for full-time students = approximately 292+/semester

Part-time tuition @ $189/credit hour/semester; fees for part-time students = approximately $19+/semester

Initial student uniform, shoes, name pin 120+

Textbook/supplies specific to and required for nursing 800+

Laptop and extra battery 450 refurbished/new

Technology fee (finances periodic replacements of all student-used desktop computer systems servers, and other related resources) (per credit hour) = 13

Online Exam Soft Testing Fee $30/semester 120

Nursing Lab Supplies for 3 semesters 180

Malpractice/liability fee (two years) 30

Assessment testing fee (for four semesters) & Remediation fee 499

Optional: Challenge Examination for Advanced Placement (per course) 191

New York State Education Department Initial Registration Fees 143

Fee for Limited Permit Application 35

NCLEX Licensing Exam 200

Graduate Pin (Optional) 60+

Uniforms and Cap (optional) for graduation 75+

(Reviewed 1/2020)