2+2 Nursing Program

This program is only for first-time freshman applicants. This is a co-sponsored program between Coastal Carolina University and Horry-Georgetown Technical College.

How do I apply to the 2+2 Nursing program?
You will complete Coastal Carolina University’s freshman application (www.coastal.edu/apply). Under “Academic Interests” on the application, answer “Yes” to the question “Are you interested in the 2+2 Nursing residential program between Coastal Carolina University and Horry-Georgetown Technical College?”

Students offered a spot in the 2+2 Nursing program will be mailed specific instructions from Horry Georgetown Technical College on how to complete the admission process to this program.

Who are competitive applicants for the 2+2 Nursing program?
To be eligible for this program, you must be admitted to Coastal Carolina University as a freshman student. For freshman admission requirements, please go to www.coastal.edu/admissions/freshman. Prospective students should apply by the Dec. 1 priority application date.

Once offered admission to CCU, your application will be reviewed for eligibility in this competitive program. The minimum test score requirements are a 22 on the ACT or an 1100 on the SAT (evidenced-based reading and writing plus math). There are limited spaces in this program and typically, students with the highest test scores are offered admission first. The agreement with HGTC limits the program to 16 new students each year. It is important to note that students with a CNA certificate or shadowing experience are not given preference into the program.

Why is nursing not among the list of majors in Coastal Carolina University’s freshman application for admission?
CCU does not have a 4-year nursing program. Students interested in a nursing career can apply for the joint program between CCU and HGTC. It is very important that you check ‘yes’ to the question on the CCU freshmen application asking if you are interested in the 2+2 Nursing program. If you do not check this box, you will not be considered for this program. You will choose a major from the available majors listed on the application. You are not required to select a certain major to participate in the 2+2 Nursing program; however, we encourage you to select a major in the science area.

You are welcome to choose Undeclared Science as your major, or may select your second choice major.

How will I know if I am not eligible for the program?
Students who do not meet the minimum test score requirements are not eligible for the program. Please remember that your admission to CCU is not impacted if you are not selected for the 2+2 Nursing program.

Are transfer students eligible for the 2+2 Nursing program?
Only high school seniors are eligible to apply for this program. Transfer students must be registered nurses and can enter CCU through the RN-to-BSN Completion program. To be eligible for the RN-to-BSN program, students must have a diploma or an associate degree in nursing and have an active RN license in South Carolina or reside in a compact state with multistate privileges. Please go to www.coastal.edu/nursing for more information.

When will I know if I am offered a place in the 2+2 Nursing program?
You will be notified about your eligibility and the HGTC admission process by March. If you choose not to accept a spot in this program, it will not impact your admission to CCU.

I was offered a spot in the 2+2 Nursing program. What do I do next?
The HGTC offer letter will have detailed instructions on what you must do to accept your spot into the program. Included in this letter will be instructions to complete an application with Horry-Georgetown Technical College and how to make the $100 deposit to secure your spot. Please make sure you adhere to all deadlines outlined in this letter. The student does not need to pay a $100 enrollment deposit to CCU if they are accepting a spot in the 2+2 Nursing program. If the student has already paid an enrollment deposit with CCU and is offered a spot in the 2+2 Nursing program, please contact admissions@coastal.edu.

I was offered a Merit Award at CCU. Can I use this at HGTC?
No, since you will be a full-time student at HGTC, you must forfeit your CCU merit award.
Where will classes be held for the 2+2 Nursing program?

You will attend classes at HGTC for the first two years. The nursing classes will be held on HGTC’s Grand Strand campus, which is in Myrtle Beach and is about 15 miles away from CCU’s campus. Transportation will be provided to the HGTC Grand Strand campus for the first year, but the student must find their own transportation to their clinical assignment beginning the second semester. The general education classes for the first two years are offered on the Conway campus of HGTC. Most classes are face-to-face, but could be online or hybrid, depending on the format the student desires and course availability.

After completing the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing at HGTC, students will automatically be accepted into the BSN program and complete the remaining courses at CCU. Students will need to complete a transfer application for CCU in order to have transcripts sent to CCU from HGTC. Nursing classes at CCU may be held two Saturdays a month with some coursework online, or may be in a more traditional classroom format. At least 51% of the class time for nursing classes is face-to-face. Although the nursing classes are hybrid, the general education classes needed to fulfill degree requirements for CCU may be offered in other formats, including face-to-face, hybrid, and online depending on the format desired and course availability.

Where will I live while in the 2+2 Nursing program?

2+2 Nursing students will live in CCU’s residence halls for the first two years. Students have the choice of living with other 2+2 Nursing students or they can live with other CCU freshman. The CCU housing application priority date is May 15. Room and roommate selection does not take place until after June 1. 2+2 Nursing students will also have a meal plan with CCU but will need to plan for some dining options on HGTC’s Grand Strand campus as they will spend a majority of their time on that campus for their nursing classes.

Will I be able to join clubs and organizations on CCU’s campus while in the 2+2 Nursing program?

Yes, 2+2 Nursing students may join clubs and organizations on CCU’s campus. However, you are not eligible to join Greek life, participate in NCAA Division 1 athletics, or have a federal work study funded position on CCU’s campus. Students in the 2+2 nursing program should consider the amount of practice and travel time before committing to a club or intramural sport.

Can students work while attending classes in the 2+2 nursing program?

Employment is not encouraged in the first year, but there is no prohibition against it. On-campus employment is limited to food service or the campus bookstore.

Will 2+2 nursing students participate in CCU’s New Student Orientation?

Nursing students are not required to attend New Student Orientation at CCU during the summer. Students may choose to attend an orientation, but much of the orientation is about registering for fall classes at CCU, and does not pertain to 2+2 nursing students. Accepted nursing students should receive their fall schedule directly from their HGTC nursing advisor in July. All nursing students will attend orientation together in August; no registration or payment is required for nursing-specific orientation.

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