

2016-2017 Catalog Addendum

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Addendum legend:

Strikethrough = deleted information <u>Underline</u> = new information

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History of Hondros College of Nursing

Hondros College began in 1981 as a real estate preparatory school. In 2006, the College received approval from the Ohio Board of Nursing to offer Practical Nursing and Associate Degree in Nursing programs, which were launched at the West Chester campus, near Cincinnati, in January 2007. In 2008, 2009, and 2011 the College expanded the Practical Nursing and Associate Degree in Nursing programs to the Westerville, Fairborn, and Independence campuses, respectively. The main campus of record at the Ohio Board of Nursing is the suburban Columbus (Westerville) campus.

Hondros College of Nursing continues to pursue excellence in higher education. In 2011, the College proudly received authority from the Ohio Board of Regents to confer baccalaureate degrees. The online RN-BSN completion program welcomed its inaugural class in October 2011. In May 2013, the RN-BSN completion program at Hondros College became accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 887-6791.

On November 1, 2013, Hondros College was acquired by American Public Education, Inc. (APEI) which provides the college additional resources to advance its mission. The real estate and other business programs remain associated with Hondros College of Business, which is a separate, unrelated organization.

Hondros College has responded to the needs of motivated, dedicated nursing students by introducing more flexible schedules, such as evening/weekend scheduling options. The College has taken additional steps to offer nursing education that is timely, relevant, and directly tied to the expectations of healthcare employers in the communities we serve. In 2016, Hondros College introduced a concept-based curriculum and realistic, innovative lab simulation experiences to enhance the education and preparedness of nursing students at all campuses. To better reflect its mission, Hondros College changed its name to Hondros College of Nursing in 2016.

Hondros College of Nursing plans to opened a new campus in Toledo/Maumee in January 2017.

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LEGAL CONTROL OF THE COLLEGE

National Education Seminars, Inc., d.b.a. Hondros College of Nursing is a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Public Education, Inc., (APEI) a Delaware Corporation. APEI is a publicly-traded corporation, the common stock of which is listed on NASDAQ. APEI is located at 111 W. Congress Street, Charles Town, WV 25414.

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ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS:

Acceptance to Hondros College of Nursing is based on the following requirements:

- 1. The applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the United States. Applicants must submit official, unexpired government-issued documentation needed for admission (driver's license, state ID, passport, or proof of citizenship or permanent residency if not a U.S. citizen);
- 2. The applicant must be at least 18 years of age or older at the time he or she starts the program;
- 3. The applicant must complete and sign the Admissions application and pay the applicable application fee;
- 4. The applicant must complete the Student Online Readiness Survey:
- 5. The applicant must be a high school graduate or possess the recognized equivalent of a high school diploma. The applicant must provide documentation of graduation from high school in the form of a valid high school diploma, transcript, or other acceptable documentation issued by an authorized state education agency (e.g., General Education Development (GED) in Ohio). that confirms the applicant meets or exceeds the academic achievement equivalent to a high school diploma; and
- <u>6</u>. The applicant must complete and sign the enrollment agreement.

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Students are required to have personal laptops for class lectures <u>classroom and online learning</u> <u>experiences</u> and any other educational activity. Technology requirements <u>for student laptops</u> for all programs are listed below:

Basic requirements:

- Internet access (cable modem or DSL connection or faster highly recommended)
- A wireless card or built-in wireless networking
- Windows 7 operating system or newer higher
- Microphone and speakers or headset
- A display Monitor capable of 1024 x 768 resolution or greater
- 2 4 GB or RAM or higher
- 20 50 GB of free hard disk space or more
- A modern, multi-core Windows-compatible processor
- A modern graphics card capable of producing high-quality graphics and video

Software requirements:

- Internet Explorer 8.0 or higher, or the latest version of FireFox, with pop-up blockers disabled
- Microsoft Office 2007 2010 or higher
- Adobe Flash Player 9 or higher
- Adobe Acrobat Reader 8 or higher
- Java 1.5.0 or higher
- A current anti-virus software regularly updated according to the software manufacturer

Students using adaptive technology are recommended to use one of these screen readers for use with Sakai: JAWS version 10.0 or later; or Window-Eyes version 7.0 or later.

- Anti-virus software (current and regularly updated according to the software manufacturer)
- The latest versions of
 - Internet Explorer
 - Firefox
 - Java
 - Adobe Flash Player
 - Adobe Shockwave Player
 - Adobe Acrobat Reader
 - Microsoft .NET Framework
 - DirectX

In addition, students need access to a broadband internet connection of 3Mbps or greater. Students using adaptive technology are recommended to use JAWSS (version 10.0 or later) or Window-Eyes (version 7.0 or later) with Sakai.

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EXCUSED ABSENCES

The following documented absences may be considered excused. If approved the student will be allowed to make up any work missed; however, the make-up time cannot be applied to their course attendance percentage:

• Court appearance – Applicable only when a student is mandated to appear in court for an action in which he/she is a third party or witness. Documentation will be required.

- Military Duty All military personnel requesting a documented absence must submit a copy of their orders to the Campus Director prior to the missed time.
- Illness In the event a student suffers personal illness, either a written doctor's note excusing participation in school or documentation of the stay in the hospital will be required.
- Bereavement In the event of the death of an immediate or extended family member and not to exceed 4 days or 25% of the scheduled courses. Documenation (e.g. newspaper notice, funeral notice, obiturary, or church handout) is required.
- Jury Duty Documentation required (stamped jury duty form from court).
- Extenuating Circumstance Approved by the Director of Nursing or designee.

Documentaion of the above approved excused absences should be presented to the Campus Director Director of Nursing or designee upon returning to school or in advance when applicable. Students receiving funds from any state or federal agency may be subject to the additional attendance requirements of that specific agency.

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TUITION AND FEES

2016 RN-BSN COMPLETION RATE SHEET

Application Fee (first term only) \$25	
Technology Fee	\$1,300
Tuition*	\$20,880
Graduation Fees	\$100
Textbooks/Materials (estimated)	\$2,987
Total direct costs	\$25,317

^{*}Tuition for PN or ADN Alumni is \$19,488

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ACADEMIC STANDING STATUS POLICY

2. Honors: Associate Degree in Nursing and RN-BSN completion students with a quarterly grade point average of 3.7-3.9 are eligible for the Dean's List honor; students with a quarterly grade point average of 4.0 are eligible for the President's List honor. The appropriate honors term will be noted on the student's transcript.

Students' graduating with an Associate's Degree in Nursing, or higher, with a cumulative grade point average of 3.7-4.0 will qualify for graduating with honors. "Honors Graduate" will be noted on the student's transcripts.

2. <u>Honors: Students, enrolled half-time or more, with a grade point average of 3.25 or higher in a given quarter are eligible for honors, according to the following table:</u>

GPA Range	Honor List
<u>3.75-4.00</u>	Provost's List
<u>3.50-3.74</u>	<u>Dean's List</u>
3.25-3.49	Merit List

The appropriate honor will be noted on the student's transcript for the term in which it is earned.

Students who graduate from a program with cumulative grade point average of 3.25 or higher will earn graduation honors, according to the following table:

CGPA Range	Graduation Honor
3.75-4.00	Summa cum laude
3.50-3.74	Magna cum laude
3.25-3.49	Cum laude

Students who achieve graduation honors will have "Honors Graduate" noted on their transcripts.

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REPEAT POLICY

Students must repeat and pass any courses in which they receive a failing grade or from which they have withdrawn. Students who need to repeat a course must complete an academic advising session to review scheduling options and registration. Students who need to repeat a course that is no longer offered due to the revised curriculum may have a blended curriculum, which may consist of a revised progression plan. Students cannot repeat a course(s) they have previously passed to simply improve their cumulative grade point average (CGPA).

- 1. Students are only permitted to repeat a failed course once. If unsuccessful on the second and final attempt, the student may shall be academically dismissed from the College.
- 2. Students are not permitted to take any additional course(s), out of sequence, when repeating a failed course.
- 3. All earned grades will become part of the student's academic record and will be reflected on the academic transcript. Repeated coursework, in which a passing grade was earned, will be marked with an "R" on the academic transcript to indicate the course was repeated.
- 4. Only the latest earned passing grade for a repeated course will be used in the calculation of the cumulative grade point average. Withdrawals (W), are not counted as an earned grade when recalculating the cumulative grade point average.
- 5. Repeated coursework must be taken at Hondros College of Nursing.
- 6. When calculating honors for graduation, all earned grades will be used in the cumulative grade point average calculation.
- 7. The student is responsible for all costs associated with repeated coursework. In some cases, financial aid may not be available for repeated coursework.
- 8. The student may not receive Title IV aid for retaking previously passed courses if the student is required to retake those courses because the student failed a different course in a prior term.
- 9. Students who need to repeat a course will be able to do so only when space is available.

READMISSION POLICY

A former student who voluntarily withdrew may apply to the College for readmission to his or her previous program. The applicant must satisfactorily demonstrate that the barriers that prevented him or her from completing the program during the previous enrollment have been resolved, and there is reasonable probability that he or she can complete the program of study within the maximum allowable timeframe. Applicants seeking readmission should contact the Campus Director Director of Nursing or designee prior to the start of the next term. The College will evaluate the readmission applicant's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to determine if the applicant is eligible for readmission. Students withdrawn for more than two quarters may be required to restart the program.

Applicants are required to sign a new enrollment agreement, which lists the current curriculum requirements, current tuition, fees, term of enrollment, and other required disclosures. An applicant for readmission must meet all admissions requirements of his or her program in effect at the time of readmission. In addition, applicants may be required to complete a new background check in accordance with the policy in effect at the time of readmission. The College reserves the right to deny readmission to any applicant that carries an unpaid balance from his or her previous enrollment. Readmission is not guaranteed and is dependent upon space and availability.

Students previously dismissed pursuant to the College's academic dismissal policy, or administratively withdrawn, should refer to the Reinstatement Policy.

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REINSTATEMENT POLICY

Students who have been academically dismissed or administratively withdrawn may seek reinstatement by submitting the Request for Reinstatement form to the Campus Director Director of Nursing or designee. All requests for reinstatement will be reviewed by the College's Reinstatement Committee. Students will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision. The Committee's decision is final and cannot be appealed. Reinstatement is not guaranteed.

Students granted reinstatement after an academic dismissal will be placed on academic probation. Students granted reinstatement must follow all policies in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

Students who have been dismissed due to a Code of Student Conduct violation are not eligible to be reinstated to Hondros College of Nursing.

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WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Attendance must be evident by the end of the first week for continuing students, or the student will be administratively withdrawn from the program. Students who stop attending or fail to meet the attendance requirements during or after week 8 will receive the grade earned at the end of the quarter, which may result in academic probation or academic dismissal from the college.

The student gives notice of the intent to withdraw from the college by contacting the Campus Director Director of Nursing or designee in person, in writing, by e-mail, or by phone. Withdrawals initiated up through the end of week 7 will earn a grade of "W"; a grade of "W" has no effect on cumulative grade point average. Withdrawals initiated after the end of week 7 will receive the grade earned at the end of the quarter. Failure of a course may result in the student being placed on academic probation or being academically dismissed. The withdrawal will not supersede academic probation or academic dismissal. Withdrawal from the college may require funds to be returned to the U.S. Department of Education.

SINGLE COURSE WITHDRAWAL POLICY

For students enrolled in the PN and ADN programs single course withdrawals are not permitted. Withdrawal from the College during the quarter constitutes withdrawal from all courses in which the student is enrolled.

RN-BSN students may withdrawal from one or more individual course(s) up through the end of week 7 of the quarter and will receive a grade of "W". Students should contact their Campus Director the Associate Provost/Dean, Post-Licensure Programs, in writing, via e-mail, or by phone to withdraw from a course. A grade of "W" has no effect on cumulative grade point average, but does impact pace of progression and maximum timeframe. Students may voluntarily withdraw from the same course no more than two times.

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