

Overview

The Early Degree Guaranteed Entry (EDGE) program offers an excellent opportunity for high school students to obtain acceptance to Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences before graduating from high school. Application to the EDGE Program must be completed before high school diploma is conferred.

EDGE Admission Requirements

- GPA \geq 3.20 on a 4.00 scale
- ACT composite score \geq 22 or SAT composite score \geq 1100

EDGE Application Process

- Apply online: <https://www.trinitycollegeqc.edu>
- Submit application documents:
- One letter of recommendation from a math or science teacher
- One letter of recommendation from guidance counselor
- Personal essay
- Official High School Transcript
- Official SAT or ACT score report
- Interview with Trinity College Program Coordinator

Mail application documents to:

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences
2122 25th Ave.
Rock Island, IL 61201

Or Email application documents to:

Admissions@trinitycollegeqc.edu



Goals

- Help students and their parents formulate clear educational goals with the steps necessary to achieve them.
- Provide incentive for students to attain the level of academic achievement necessary to excel in a nursing or a health sciences program and career.
- Increase the student's awareness of available opportunities for post-secondary education.



EDGE Acceptance

Accepted EDGE students must complete the following requirements after high school in order to maintain acceptance into their degree program. Students that are not granted acceptance into the EDGE Program are encouraged to review Trinity's transfer process and contact an Admission Representative for degree options.

Please note: Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences does not offer prerequisite/general education courses. Rather, we maintain cooperative agreements with Black Hawk College, Eastern Iowa Community College and Portage Learning.

Nursing Requirements

- Complete 15 of the 16 prerequisite courses at an accredited community college or university with grade of "C" or better
- Cumulative GPA ≥ 3.00 from prerequisite courses

Radiography Requirements

- Complete 7 prerequisite courses at an accredited community college or university with grade of "C" or better.
- Cumulative GPA ≥ 3.00 from prerequisite courses

Medical Laboratory Requirements

- Complete all prerequisite courses at an accredited community college or university with grade of "C" or better
- Cumulative GPA ≥ 2.80 from prerequisite courses
- Science and Math GPA ≥ 2.80 from prerequisite courses

Nursing sample timeline for EDGE student

Jan. 2023	Apply to EDGE program option during senior year
Feb. 2023	Receive acceptance prior to graduation
June 2023	Graduate from High School
Aug. 2023 – May 2025	Enroll into accredited community college/ university and complete 15 of the 16 prerequisite courses with a GPA ≥ 3.00
Aug. 2025	Begin degree program at Trinity
Aug. 2027	Graduate from Trinity with Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree

Radiography sample timeline for EDGE student

Jan. 2023	Apply to EDGE program option during senior year
Feb. 2023	Receive acceptance prior to graduation
June 2023	Graduate from High School
Aug. 2023 – May 2024	Enroll into accredited community college/ university and complete 7 prerequisite courses with a GPA ≥ 3.00
May 2024	Begin degree program at Trinity
May 2026	Graduate from Trinity with Associate of Applied Science degree in Radiography

MLS sample timeline for EDGE student

Jan. 2023	Apply to EDGE program option during senior year
Feb. 2023	Receive acceptance prior to graduation
June 2023	Graduate from High School
Aug. 2023 - May 2026	Enroll into accredited community college/ university and complete all prerequisite courses with a GPA ≥ 2.80
May 2026	Begin degree program at Trinity
May 2027	Graduate from Trinity with Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences with a major in Medical Laboratory Science

NURSING Courses	Credits
Anatomy & Physiology I	4
Anatomy & Physiology II	4
Microbiology	4
Nutrition	3
Psychology	3
Growth and Development	3
Sociology	3
Anthropology	3
Ethics	3
College Algebra	3
Statistics	3
English Composition I	3
English Composition II	3
Oral Communication	3
Humanities Elective	3
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Total Credits	51

RADIOGRAPHY Courses	Credits
Math (College Level)	3
Anatomy & Physiology I	4
Anatomy & Physiology II	4
Written Communication	3
Oral Communication	3
Psychology	3
Humanities	3
Total Credits	23

MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE Courses	Credits
Written Communication	3
Oral Communication	3
Humanities Electives	12
Sociology	3
Psychology	3
Anatomy and Physiology	3
General Chemistry 1	4
General Chemistry 2	4
Biochemistry	4
General Biology	4
Microbiology	4
College Algebra	3
Statistics	3
Medical Terminology	2
General Electives	24
Total Credits	80

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Official Documents

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Talking Points FAQ

- What is the application fee process for EDGE? Do I pay \$50 for Edge and then \$50 again for my program at Trinity?
A one-time application fee is paid at the time of application to the EDGE program. No other application fee will be required.
- Will I have a tuition deposit to pay once I accept my EDGE admission?
A \$50 non-refundable tuition deposit is required at the time of acceptance to the EDGE program. A \$100 non-refundable tuition deposit is required at the time of acceptance into a major program at Trinity College. The \$150 dollars paid in tuition deposits will be deducted from the first semester tuition bill.
- Do I have to complete a second Trinity College Application when I meet my maintenance requirements?
A second application is not required when the applicant completes the maintenance requirements for the EDGE program. However, all required documents must be submitted as outlined in the specific program admission requirements guidelines.
- What are the deadlines for the EDGE application?
EDGE applications are accepted on a rolling schedule. Applicants must meet admission criteria prior to applying for this program.
- What if I complete my prerequisite/general education courses 1-2 semesters prior to my Trinity College entrance? What do I enroll in while I am waiting? And, how will that affect my Financial Aid if I am not enrolled full-time for a semester prior to entering Trinity College?
EDGE students should work closely with the Trinity Admission Representative to carefully sequence their prerequisites/general education courses. Program start dates will determine when a qualified applicant is able to matriculate into a major program.

If all general education courses are satisfactorily completed, a student may register for other courses at another college prior to matriculating into Trinity College. However, this could affect your financial aid aggregate amount received. Also note, if a student is enrolled and receiving financial aid from a college other than Trinity College and the term overlaps with the start date of matriculation into a major program at Trinity College, the student will not receive financial aid for Trinity courses. Be sure any enrollment at another college ends before enrollment at Trinity College begins. Financial aid cannot be taken from two schools at the same time.
- If my GPA falls below the required maintenance GPA while I am completing general education classes is my admission hindered if it is possible to increase it to the required GPA prior to beginning at Trinity?
No. However, you must be aware of the limitation placed on repeat courses.
- How often am I required to submit transcripts to Trinity? What are the deadlines for those submissions?
EDGE students must submit an unofficial transcript to the Admission Advisor after each term completed. Deadline for receipt of official transcripts is two weeks prior to matriculation into the major program.
- Is there an Orientation once admitted to the EDGE Program?
No. It is essential that you maintain contact with the Trinity College Admission Representative. If admitted to a major program, an orientation will be required.
- Will I be responsible for any documentation to Trinity besides the EDGE application requirements once I am accepted and taking prerequisite courses (i.e. CPR, background check, health records, etc.)?
No. If admitted to a major program, there will be specific Health and Safety requirements that must be completed.
- What if something shows on my background check after my acceptance into the EDGE program that may possibly prohibit me from attending a major program at Trinity?
Trinity College does not guarantee that an EDGE applicant will successfully pass a background check if they are offered acceptance into a major program.
- Will I receive a faculty advisor while I am an EDGE student? Who is my point of contact if I have any "academic issue/financial issue" at my community college/university where I am taking my prerequisite courses that may cause me to not meet my maintenance plan at Trinity?
Students in the EDGE program are not assigned an academic advisor until they are officially accepted into a major program. The Admission Representative is your point of contact.
- What if I have an unavoidable situation (health/financial) that occurs when I am ready to begin my guaranteed entry? Am I able to appeal my decision to move that guarantee to the next semester?
EDGE students are not offered an appeal process. However, such situations are considered on a case-by-case basis.



Contact Us!

Arrange a College visit and meet with an
Admission Representative.

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What other College services should I know about?

Student Services
Admissions Assistance
Billing Information
Financial Aid Assistance
Scholarship Eligibility

Accreditation

Trinity College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the
North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC-NCA).
HLC-NCA is recognized by the United States Department of
Education and the Council on Post Secondary Accreditation.
www.ncahlc.org

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences admits students regardless of race,
color, creed, gender, national or ethnic origin, disability, or sexual orientation.