



Welcome to the Institute for Healthcare Professionals!

Dear Student,

Congratulations and welcome to Meadville Medical Center's Institute for Healthcare Professionals (IHP)! I'm Danielle Kightlinger, the Financial Aid Officer, and I am excited to support you as you begin your journey in the Sharon School of Nursing Program.

Starting a new academic program is both exciting and overwhelming, and I want you to know that I'm here to help you navigate the financial aid process every step of the way. Whether you have questions about tuition, scholarships, payment plans, or required documentation, my goal is to make the process as simple and stress-free as possible for you.

Enclosed in this packet, you'll find important information and forms related to your financial aid. **At this time, the Institute of Healthcare Professionals is not participating in Federal Title IV funding programs.** As a result, we are currently unable to offer federal financial aid, including Pell Grants, Direct Loans, or other forms of assistance made available through Title IV of the Higher Education Act. There are alternative funding resources that can be explored.

Please review everything carefully and don't hesitate to reach out if you need assistance.

You've taken a big step toward a rewarding career in nursing, and we are honored to be a part of your journey. I look forward to working with you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at:

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Alternate Funding:

MMC Tuition Discount:

Students who choose to participate in the Meadville Medical Center Tuition Assistance Program must commit to the following terms:

- Upon successful completion of the Sharon School of Nursing Program and obtaining licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN), the student agrees to work for Meadville Medical Center for a minimum of **two (2) years** in an RN role.
- While enrolled in the program, the student is required to maintain employment with Meadville Medical Center in a position for which they are qualified. The minimum work requirement is 8 hours per pay period.
- In exchange for this commitment, the student will receive **\$12,000 in tuition assistance**, which will be applied toward the cost of the nursing program.
- The tuition assistance will be divided over the course of the program. Tuition assistance will be applied to the nursing courses offered through Meadville Medical Center first; any remaining funds will be applied to semester fees.
- The student will be required to sign the Tuition Assistance Contract during the first week of classes to formalize participation in the program.

This program is designed to support students in their educational journey while strengthening the local healthcare workforce. Additional terms and conditions will be outlined in the official Tuition Assistance Contract provided at the start of the program

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) —PA CareerLink:

WIOA is a federal funded program designed to provide eligible individuals with access to employment, education, training, and support services to help them succeed in the labor market. Administrated in Pennsylvania through PA CareerLink, WIOA funding is designed to assist individuals in gaining the skills necessary for in-demand careers, including those in healthcare.

The Sharon School of Nursing is an approved WIOA training provider. Eligible students may receive financial support to help cover the cost of tuition, books, uniforms, and related expenses. WIOA funding typically includes:

- Up to \$5,500 toward tuition (disbursed by semester)
- Up to \$750 for supportive services (e.g., transportation, supplies)

To determine eligibility and begin the application process, students should contact their local PA CareerLink office as early as possible, the process may take several weeks to complete.

Eligibility Requirements

- Adult Program
 - Age 18 or older
 - U.S. Citizen or legally authorized to work
 - Income Guidelines:
 - Low-income individuals (typically $\leq 250\%$ of Federal Poverty Level)
- Dislocated Worker Program
 - Laid off or received notice of termination
 - Self-employed but unemployed due to economic conditions
 - Spouse of active-duty military member who lost employment due to relocation
 - Displaced homemakers or recently separated veterans
- Youth Program
 - Ages 16-24
 - Must face barriers to employment (e.g. homelessness, foster care, pregnant/parenting, disability, criminal background)

Required Documents:

To apply, you will typically need to provide the following:

- Social Security Card
- Birth Certificate or Driver's License
- Last 6 months of income documentation
- Acceptance Letter
- Transcript (GPA), Schedule of Credits – if already enrolled and are looking for help with future assistance
- If receiving SNAP – Snapshot of Compass Report

2025 FPIG percentages used for various programs are as follows:

Person	235% of FPIG		250% of FPIG	
	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual
1	\$3,065	\$36,778	\$3,261	\$39,125
2	\$4,142	\$49,703	\$4,407	\$52,875
3	\$5,219	\$62,628	\$5,553	\$66,625
4	\$6,297	\$75,553	\$6,698	\$80,375
5	\$7,374	\$88,478	\$7,844	\$94,125
6	\$8,451	\$101,403	\$8,990	\$107,875
7	\$9,528	\$114,328	\$10,136	\$121,625
8	\$10,605	\$127,253	\$11,282	\$135,375
Each Addt'l	\$1,078	\$12,925	\$1,146	\$13,750

George Wright

Students enrolled in eligible programs may apply for an interest-free loan of up to **\$20,000** through the George W. Wright Student Aid Fund to assist with college tuition and college-related fees.

- Up to \$2,500 per semester is available, for a maximum of eight semesters.
- Loans are awarded on a merit and need basis and are completely interest-free.
- This is a loan program, not a grant or scholarship—repayment is required, but no interest will accrue.

Eligibility Requirements:

High School Applicants:

- Rank in the upper half of the graduating class from the following PA High Schools:
 - Cochranton
 - Commodore Perry
 - Farrell
 - Greenville
 - Grove City
 - Hickory
 - Jamestown
 - Kennedy Catholic
 - Lakeview
 - Mercer
 - Reynolds
 - Sharon
 - Sharpsville
 - Slippery Rock
 - West Middlesex
 - Wilmington
- Be accepted for enrollment at a post-high school institution of higher learning.

Current College Applicants:

- Be a graduate of a high school above OR attending Grove City College, Penn State University—Shenango Campus, or Thiel College
- Demonstrate ability to succeed academically by maintain a 2.8 cumulative GPA or better on their official post-high school institution transcript
- Plan to continue current enrollment at a post-high school institution of higher learning, or if attending Grove City College, Penn State University – Shenango Campus, or Thiel College - plan to continue current enrollment at Grove City College, Penn State - Shenango, or Thiel College

Tuition



**Sharon School of Nursing - MMC Discount
Tuition Chart- Class of 2027
August 2025 Start**

Fall Semester: August 2025- December 2025						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Introduction to Healthcare		2	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$809.00
PL	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab	BIOD 151	4	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
PL	English Composition I	ENGL 101	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
PL	College Algebra	MATH 101	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
PL	General Psychology	Psyc 101	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			15	\$942.00	\$709.00	\$3,708.00

Spring Semester: January 2026- May 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Fundamentals of Nursing		7	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$1,059.00
PL	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab	BIOD 152	4	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
PL	Essentials in Nutrition	BIOD 121	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			14	\$496.00	\$709.00	\$2,620.00

Summer Semester: May 2026 - August 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing I		7	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$1,059.00
PL	Essential Microbiology with Lab	BIOD 171	4	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
PL	Developmental (Lifespan) Psychology	PSYC 140	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			14	\$496.00	\$709.00	\$2,620.00

Fall Semester: August 2026 - December 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing II		5.5	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$984.00
SON	Maternal Child Nursing OR Mental Health Nursing		3.5	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
PL	Introduction to Ethics (Biomedical)	PHIL 120	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			12	\$323.00	\$709.00	\$1,828.00

Spring Semester: January 2027 - May 2027						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing II		4.5	\$50.00	\$859.00	\$1,084.00
SON	Maternal Child Nursing OR Mental Health Nursing		3.5	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
SON	Professional Transition to Nursing		7	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
Semester Total			15	\$150.00	\$859.00	\$1,609.00

Tuition Total					
		Credits	Tuition	Fees*	Grand Total
SON	Nursing Courses	40	\$2,000.00	\$3,695.00	\$5,695.00
PL	Portage Learning	30	\$6,690.00	\$0.00	\$6,690.00

\$12,385.00

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**Sharon School of Nursing - Non-MMC Discount
Tuition Chart- Class of 2027
August 2025 Start**

Fall Semester: August 2025- December 2025						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Introduction to Healthcare		2	\$350.00	\$709.00	\$1,409.00
PL	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab	BIOD 151	4	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
PL	English Composition I	ENGL 101	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
PL	College Algebra	MATH 101	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
PL	General Psychology	Psyc 101	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			15	\$1,242.00	\$709.00	\$4,308.00

Spring Semester: January 2026- May 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Fundamentals of Nursing		7	\$350.00	\$709.00	\$3,159.00
PL	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab	BIOD 152	4	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
PL	Essentials in Nutrition	BIOD 121	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			14	\$796.00	\$709.00	\$4,720.00

Summer Semester: May 2026 - August 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing I		7	\$350.00	\$709.00	\$3,159.00
PL	Essential Microbiology with Lab	BIOD 171	4	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$892.00
PL	Developmental (Lifespan) Psychology	PSYC 140	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			14	\$796.00	\$709.00	\$4,720.00

Fall Semester: August 2026 - December 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing II		5.5	\$350.00	\$709.00	\$2,634.00
SON	Maternal Child Nursing OR Mental Health Nursing		3.5	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$1,225.00
PL	Introduction to Ethics (Biomedical)	PHIL 120	3	\$223.00	\$0.00	\$669.00
Semester Total			12	\$923.00	\$709.00	\$4,528.00

Spring Semester: January 2027 - May 2027						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing II		4.5	\$350.00	\$859.00	\$2,434.00
SON	Maternal Child Nursing OR Mental Health Nursing		3.5	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$1,225.00
SON	Professional Transition to Nursing		7	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$2,450.00
Semester Total			15	\$1,050.00	\$859.00	\$6,109.00

Tuition Total					
		Credits	Tuition	Fees*	Grand Total
SON	Nursing Courses	40	\$14,000.00	\$3,695.00	\$17,695.00
PL	Portage Learning	30	\$6,690.00	\$0.00	\$6,690.00

\$24,385.00

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August 2025 Start**

Fall Semester: August 2025- December 2025						
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SON	Introduction to Healthcare		2	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$809.00
Allegheny	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab	BIOD 151	4	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
Allegheny	English Composition I	ENGL 101	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Allegheny	College Algebra	MATH 101	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Allegheny	General Psychology	Psyc 101	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Semester Total			15	\$1,850.00	\$709.00	\$6,659.00

Spring Semester: January 2026- May 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Fundamentals of Nursing		7	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$1,059.00
Allegheny	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab	BIOD 152	4	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
Allegheny	Essentials in Nutrition	BIOD 121	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Semester Total			14	\$950.00	\$709.00	\$4,209.00

Summer Semester: May 2026 - August 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Medical Surgical Nursing I		7	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$1,059.00
Allegheny	Essential Microbiology with Lab	BIOD 171	4	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
Allegheny	Developmental (Lifespan) Psychology	PSYC 140	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Semester Total			14	\$950.00	\$709.00	\$4,209.00

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SON	Medical Surgical Nursing II		5.5	\$50.00	\$709.00	\$984.00
SON	Maternal Child Nursing OR Mental Health Nursing		3.5	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
Allegheny	Introduction to Ethics (Biomedical)	PHIL 120	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Semester Total			12	\$550.00	\$709.00	\$2,509.00

Spring Semester: January 2027 - May 2027						
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SON	Medical Surgical Nursing II		4.5	\$50.00	\$859.00	\$1,084.00
SON	Maternal Child Nursing OR Mental Health Nursing		3.5	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
SON	Professional Transition to Nursing		7	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
Semester Total			15	\$150.00	\$859.00	\$1,609.00

Tuition Total					
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SON	Nursing Courses	40	\$2,000.00	\$3,695.00	\$5,695.00
Allegheny	Allegheny College	30	\$13,500.00	\$0.00	\$13,500.00

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Allegheny	English Composition I	ENGL 101	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Allegheny	College Algebra	MATH 101	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Allegheny	General Psychology	Psyc 101	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Semester Total			15	\$2,150.00	\$709.00	\$7,259.00

Spring Semester: January 2026- May 2026						
	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	Rate Per Credit	Fees*	Total Cost
SON	Fundamentals of Nursing		7	\$350.00	\$709.00	\$3,159.00
Allegheny	Essential Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab	BIOD 152	4	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
Allegheny	Essentials in Nutrition	BIOD 121	3	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,350.00
Semester Total			14	\$1,250.00	\$709.00	\$6,309.00

Summer Semester: May 2026 - August 2026						
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SON	Medical Surgical Nursing I		7	\$350.00	\$709.00	\$3,159.00
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Allegheny	Allegheny College	30	\$13,500.00	\$0.00	\$13,500.00
					\$31,195.00

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Monthly Payment

Students have the option to pay semester tuition in three equal monthly installments. The payment schedule is outlined below; tuition will vary based on whether the student needs college courses, which will be added to the semester tuition as applicable.

Payment Schedule:

Payments are due on the 20th of each month.

Fall 2025:	September 20, 2025 October 20, 2025 November 20, 2025
Spring 2026:	January 20, 2026 February 20, 2026 March 20, 2026
Summer 2026:	May 15, 2026 June 15, 2026 July 15, 2026
Fall 2026	September 20, 2026 October 20, 2026 November 20, 2026
Spring 2027	January 20, 2027 February 20, 2027 March 20, 2027

Important Notice:

All tuition payments must be received on or before the due dates listed above. If payment is not received by the scheduled date, the student will not be permitted to continue classes, participate in programs, or access any school services until the outstanding balance is paid in full.

Refund Policy

Students withdrawing from the nursing program must notify the Program director in writing listing the specific date and reason for withdrawal. Tuition refunds are calculated based on the amount of financial aid earned through the withdrawal date.

Week 1	100%
Week 2	75%
Week 3	50%
Week 4	25%
Week 5	0%