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## **PRE-NURSING TRACK NOW OFFERED IN ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE PROGRAM**

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**Concord, NC, April 30, 2009-** Cabarrus College of Health Sciences is now offering a Pre-Nursing Track in the Associate in Science program. A student is guaranteed admission to the Associate Degree in Nursing Program when the Pre-Nursing Track is completed successfully.

The Pre-Nursing Track has the same admissions requirements as the Associate Degree Nursing Program and consists of 28 semester hours of credit that can be completed over two semesters. Three courses must be completed with a grade of “B” or higher at Cabarrus College: (BIO 100 – Medical Terminology; BIO 210-Human Anatomy and Physiology; and BIO 220 – Human Anatomy and Physiology II). The remaining courses can be completed at the College or transferred from another institution. A cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher must be achieved for all courses completed at Cabarrus College.

Meg Patchett, Provost of Cabarrus College states, “the Pre-Nursing Track provides students the opportunity to demonstrate they are ready for admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program by taking courses that count toward the nursing degree. Once students begin the nursing program, they will have several of the science and general education courses completed, allowing more time to focus on nursing courses. This is particularly beneficial for students who have recently graduated from high school, or who have not been enrolled in college courses for several years.”

Additional information on the Pre-Nursing Track of the Associate in Science Program is available online at <http://www.cabarruscollege.edu/resources/Prenursinginfo.pdf>. Applications can still be submitted for the fall semester. Apply online at <http://www.cabarruscollege.edu/applications/index.html>.

Please contact the Cabarrus College of Health Sciences Office of Admissions at 704-403-1556 for additional information or to make an appointment to talk with an admissions counselor.

## **About Cabarrus College of Health Sciences**

Cabarrus College of Health Sciences is located on the campus of CMC-NorthEast in Concord, North Carolina. Over 430 students are enrolled in five associate degree and three baccalaureate completion programs. Associate degree programs include medical assistant, nursing, occupational therapy assistant, surgical technology and associate in science. Baccalaureate completion programs include health services leadership and management, medical imaging and nursing. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Cabarrus College has experienced tremendous growth this decade, with enrollment doubling and applications for admission increasing nearly 200% since 2003. For additional information visit online at [www.cabarruscollege.edu](http://www.cabarruscollege.edu).