

Advance Your Career in Nursing with Nursing Preferred Partner Program

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How the program works

Enroll in nursing degree or certificate programs through select eligible institutions. You will receive a CourseCa\$h™ card to pay your tuition directly to your eligible institution.

Programs include Associates (ADN, ASN), Bachelors (BSN), Masters (MSN), Graduate Nursing Certificates, Doctorate (DNP, PhD). Preferred partner schools can be found in FAQs [here](#).

All applications must be submitted within **30 days of the course start date**. Grades and receipts must be submitted within **60 days of the course end date**.

Annual coverage

- Full-time teammates: up to \$7,500 per year (gross-up provided)
- Part-time teammates: up to \$3,750 per year
- PRN, temporary, contract, and contingent teammates not eligible



Use this guide to:

1. [Create your account for Nursing Preferred Partner](#)
2. [Enroll in eligible programs and receive a CourseCa\\$h™ card for tuition or exam fees.](#)
3. [Get support every step of the way of your education journey.](#)

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Health Care Management (MBA)

ASU Arizona State University
Nursing RN to BSN

CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY
Business Administration (BS)

Career Training @ed3go
Medical Billing and Coding Certificate

Career Training @ed3go
Spanish for Medical Professionals

INDIANA TECH
Health Information Technology (AS)

What will you do with your free money for education?

Through Advocate Health's Education Assistance Benefit, you can access up to \$5,250 in free tuition or \$7,500 for select nursing programs, along with other options to grow your career.

[Get Started](#)

Getting Started: Activate Your Education Assistance Benefit

Follow these steps to activate your Education Assistance Benefit:

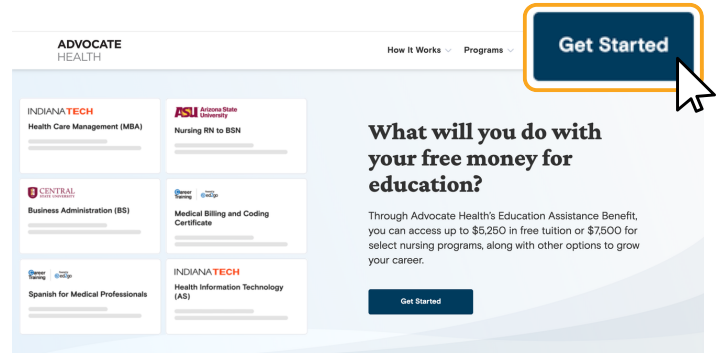
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Go to
AdvocateHealth.InStride.com.



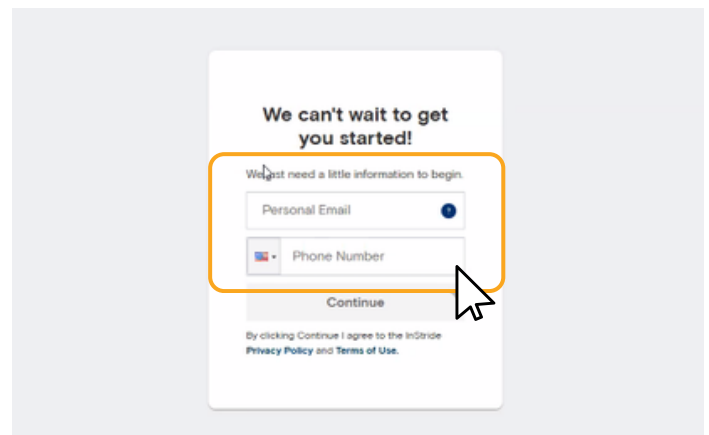
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Click **Get Started**.



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Log in using your **Advocate Health Single Sign-On (SSO)**.

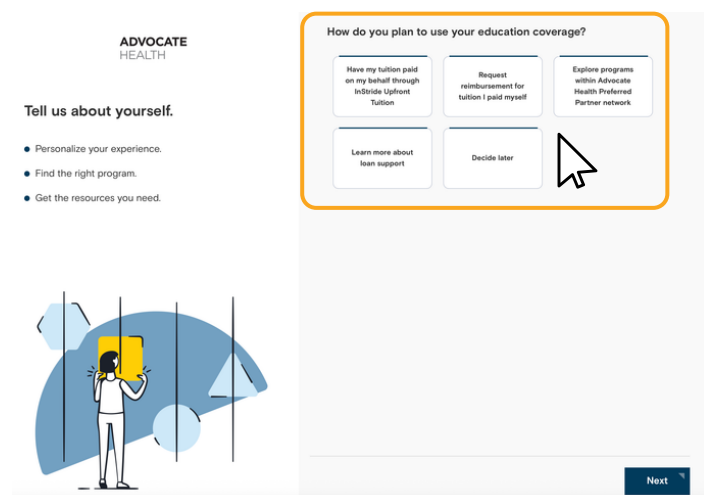


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Answer a few questions to personalize your education recommendations. This is a one-time setup step.

Once you have activated your account and confirmed eligibility, you will see your personalized dashboard where you can explore programs and funding options.

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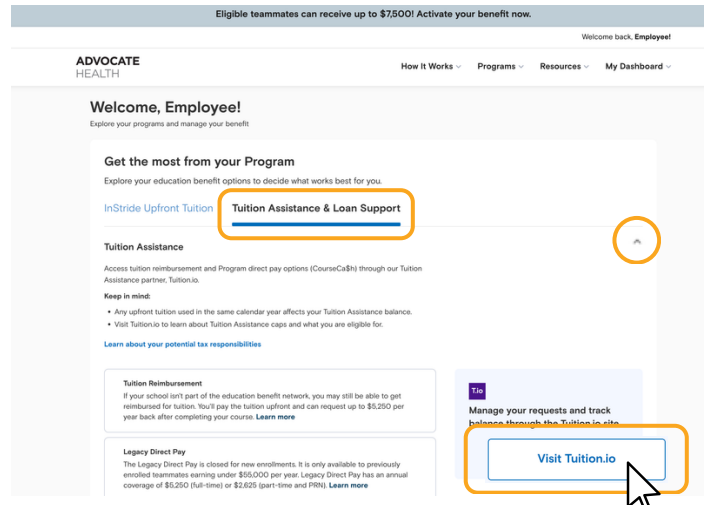
Submit a Nursing Preferred Partner Program Application

Tuition Assistance allows your tuition to be reimbursed or paid up front with CourseCa\$h. Select this assistance option to pursue a Nursing Preferred Partner Program.

To get started:

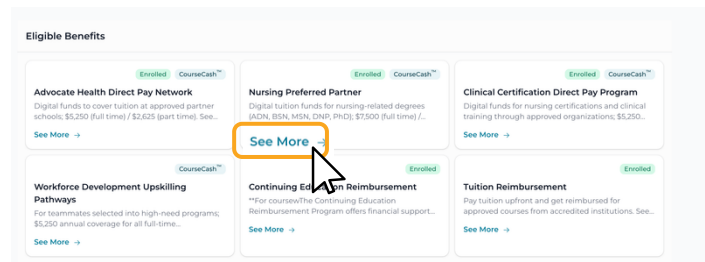
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From your benefit program dashboard, click **Tuition Assistance & Loan Support**. Expand the **Tuition Assistance** section and click **Visit Tuition.io**.



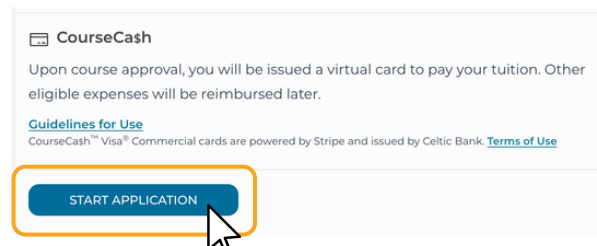
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From your Tuition Assistance Dashboard scroll down to Eligible Benefits and under the **Nursing Preferred Partner Program** click **See More**.



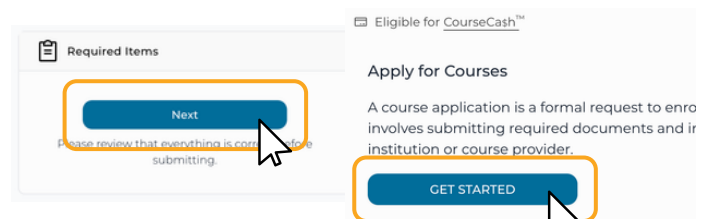
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Please review the **Terms & Conditions** and **Frequently Asked Questions** for the Nursing Preferred Partner Program. Once you are ready to begin your application click the **Start Application** button.



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Add your **Institution Name**, **Field of Study** and **Education Type**. Note, you are not required to add attachments at this step. Click the **Next** button followed by the **Get Started** button.



You must submit your application within 30 days of your course begin date.

Submit a Nursing Preferred Partner Program Application

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Begin your application by entering the **Application Name** (for example, the semester or term description) and the course start and end dates. Only enter courses that have the same start and end dates. After completing all required fields, click **Next** to continue.

New Application
Complete the steps below to submit your application.

1 Enter Education Request

What are you currently working on? Provide details about this specific learning session. Note: All expense items added in the next step must occur within the dates provided here.

Application Name *
Fall 2026 Semester

Courses Begin Date *
mm/dd/yyyy

Courses End Date *
mm/dd/yyyy

Next

PROGRESS

- 1 Education Request
- 2 Add Expense Items
- 3 Attachments
- 4 Payment Type
- 5 Review & Submit

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Next, add your course(s) information by clicking the **Add Expense Items** button.

New Application
Complete the steps below to submit your application.

✓ Education Request Fall 2026 Semester

2 Add Expense Items*

Add your courses and expenses below. All items must fall within the dates specified in your education request.

No expense items have been added
Add your expense items and we will tally up your total requested amount here.

Add Expense Items

Next

PROGRESS

- ✓ Education Request Complete
- 2 Add Expense Items
- 3 Attachments
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Submit a Nursing Preferred Partner Program Application

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Enter your course information, including the **Course Name**, **Course Number**, and **Course Credits**. Then enter your tuition or exam fees and select the **CourseCa\$h Payment Method**. If applicable, you can also add books and other required course-related fees.

Expense Items

Fill out the information below.
Required Fields *

Course Information

Course Name *
Nursing

Course Number
NURS101

Course Credit
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Tuition

Tuition or exam fees *
\$1,000.00

Select Tuition Payment Method *
Tuition costs are eligible for CourseCash™ payments. All tuition costs in an application must use either CourseCash™ or Reimbursement for payment. Multiple payment methods are not allowed.
☒ Course Cash Payment Method
☐ Reimbursement Payment Method

You have selected CourseCash™ for your tuition payment method. All tuition costs in this application will be paid via CourseCash™.

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Click **+ Add Item** to add additional courses. Once you have added all coursework, click **Next** to continue.

2 Add Expense Items *

total \$1,000.00

Add your courses and expenses below. All items must fall within the dates specified in your education request.

Nursing

\$1,000.00

:

+ Add Item

Next

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9 Attach your itemized invoice, then click **Next** to continue.

3 Include Attachments *

Required: Itemized invoice

Select a file or drag and drop here to upload

File Name	File Type	Upload Date	
PDF itemized_tuition_statement_for_the_fall_2025_semeste.pdf	Approval Document	07/08/2026	

Next

10 Confirm your **CourseCa\$h Payment Method**, then click **Next** to continue.

4 Payment Method

Select your preferred payment method and review your benefits.

CourseCa\$h™ Your employer will pay the institution directly on your behalf.

Reimbursement You will pay for this education out of pocket and then be reimbursed by your employer.

Program Limit: \$7,500.00

Requested Amount: \$1,000.00

Total Request: \$1,000.00

Payment Method Totals

CourseCa\$h™ \$1,000.00

Scholarships -\$0.00

CourseCa\$h™ Total \$1,000.00

Reimbursement \$0.00

Payment Total \$1,000.00

Next

Submit a Nursing Preferred Partner Program Application

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Review and accept the **Terms and Conditions**, then click **Submit Application** to complete your application.

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Submit Application

Review Your Application

✓

Education Request

Fall 2026 Semester

✓

Add Expense Items

\$1,000.00 total

✓

Attachments

✓

Payment Type

CourseCash™

Terms & Conditions

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Accept Conditions

[VIEW](#)

Submit Application

Please review that everything is correct before submitting.

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Click **View Application** to review your **CourseCash** card information.

Application Submitted

What happens now? You can expect the following:

• Your application name is **Fall 2026 Semester**

• Courses in your application are:

• **Nursing NURS101**

• Your application will be reviewed by your employer

• Once your application is accepted, your next step will be to add grades and receipts

• You can review your application at any time from your dashboard

Go to Dashboard

View Application

How to use your CourseCa\$h Card

From your **Tuition Assistance** dashboard, open your **In Progress** course application and click **View Card Details** to display your 16-digit card number, CVV, expiration date, and billing address.

Disclaimer: Your school may charge credit card fees, which do not count toward your annual benefit limit.

Your CourseCa\$h Card

View Activity

CARD BALANCE

\$1,000⁰⁰

Your card is ready to use at Chamberlain University to pay for tuition in the amount of \$1,000.00!
Any merchant transaction fees are covered up to 4%.

View Card Details

Amount Used:

\$0⁰⁰

Available Funds:

\$1,000⁰⁰

[Guidelines for Use](#)

CourseCa\$h™ Visa® Commercial cards are powered by Stripe and issued by Celtic Bank. [Terms of Use](#)

Payment Information	
Cardholder Name	Employee Test
Card Number	4000 0099 9000 1110
CVV	123
Expiration Date	03/29
Billing Address	123 Some St, Fremont, CA, 94539

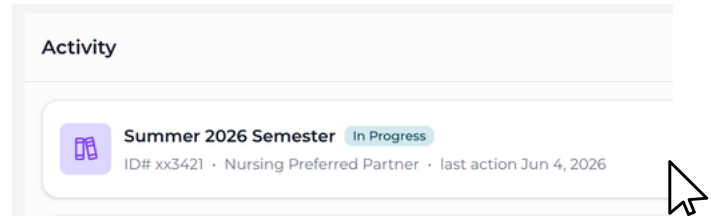
Your CourseCa\$h card will be deactivated after 14 days of inactivity.

Closing Out Your Application

After completing your certification, you must submit documentation within 60 days of your course end date to finalize your application.

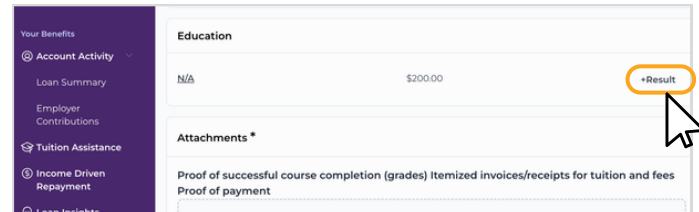
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Go to your Tuition.io dashboard and locate your Nursing Preferred Partner Program application.



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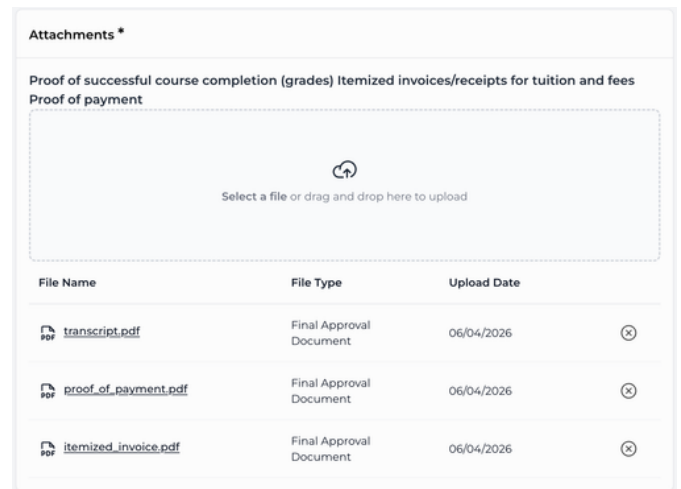
Under **Education**, click **+Result** and enter your final grade.



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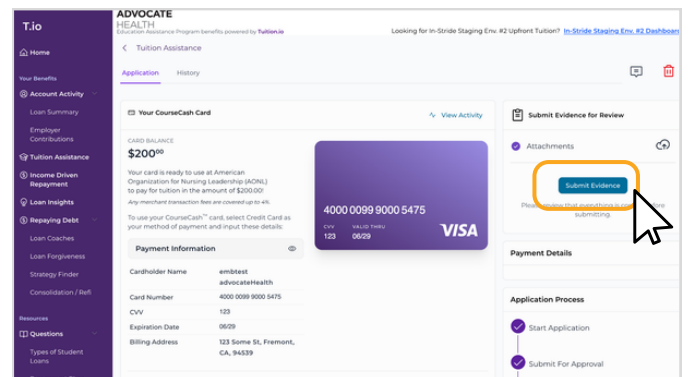
Upload the required documentation, including:

- Proof of course completion (grades or transcript)
- Itemized invoices or receipts for tuition, fees, books.
- Proof of payment



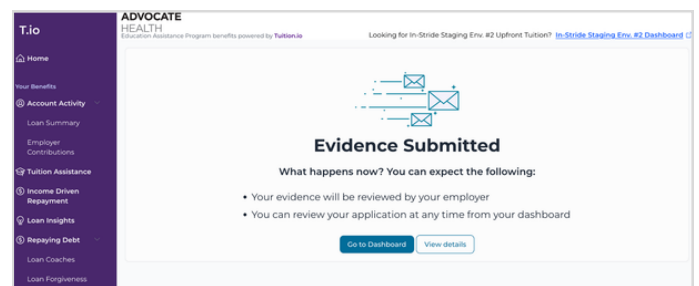
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Click **Submit Evidence**. Once your documents are reviewed and approved, your application will be marked as complete.



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You will receive an email once your documents are reviewed and approved. At that point, your application will be complete.



Teammate Glossary

Nursing Preferred Partner Program

Education Assistance Benefit

Advocate Health's education benefit, offered in partnership with InStride, that helps cover the cost of learning programs so teammates can grow their skills and careers.

Eligibility

Full-time, part-time, and PRN teammates may qualify. Eligibility depends on the program.

InStride Upfront Tuition

Through InStride's academic network, tuition is paid directly to the school for approved programs. No upfront cost and no reimbursement step.

Tuition Reimbursement

You pay for an approved, accredited program first, then get reimbursed after successful completion.

Continuing Education Reimbursement (CEU)

You pay for eligible continuing education (such as certifications or CEUs) and submit for reimbursement after completion.

CourseCa\$h™

Funds provided by Advocate Health through a digital card that can be used toward tuition at approved partner schools and programs. Tuition is paid with the card, while some books and fees may require reimbursement.

CourseCa\$h™ Programs

Program options available under CourseCa\$h™, including Workforce Development Upskilling Pathways, Advocate Health Direct Pay Network, Nursing Preferred Partner Program, Clinical Certification Direct Pay Program, and Legacy Direct Pay (closed to new enrollments).

Coverage Limits

The maximum amount covered each year. Most programs follow standard limits, with some (like nursing programs) offering higher coverage.

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Employment Requirement

You must remain employed with Advocate Health for 12 months after tuition is paid.

InStride & Tuition.io (TIO)

The platforms used to access and manage your education benefit.

- **InStride:** Your starting point for the Education Assistance Benefit, including access to Upfront Tuition programs and benefit tracking.
- **Tuition.io (TIO):** Used to manage CourseCa\$h™, Tuition Reimbursement, Student Loan Repayment, and CEU assistance, including applications, documentation, and benefit tracking.

\$5,250 Cap

Up to \$5,250 per year in education assistance is tax-free. Amounts over this limit may be taxed and reported on your W-2.

Resources

How to Keep Using Your Benefit With Our New Options

This article explains how to continue using your education benefit under the updated program options.

Guide to New Programs and Schools

Overview of new available programs and partner schools.

Need help?

You can connect with a support specialist in the following ways:

- **Email:** Support@InStride.com
- **Phone:** 1-888-919-5653
- **Live support hours:**
 - Monday–Friday: 8:30 a.m.–8:30 p.m. ET
 - Saturday: 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. ET

Hi there 🙌

How can we help out today?

