Nursing

Program Information

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The Nursing AAS program provides a sound foundation in both the theoretical principles of nurse caring and the clinical foundations of nursing practice. Students have varied opportunities in many different health care environments during their clinical practice in the program and, therefore, graduates of the program are prepared to begin employment in a variety of health care settings as entry level professional nurses.

The Program is approved by the New York State Board of Education and is accredited by the

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing,Inc. (ACEN). This is a prestigious national

accreditation that insures a quality program of study. Students completing the program are eligible

to sit for the NCLEX- RN licensing exam. ACEN can be reached at: 3390 Peach Tree Road NE, Suite

1400, Atlanta, GA 30326 and www.acenursing.org [3]. Successful completion of the program enables

the graduate to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nursing (NCLEX-RN).

Hegis Code Nursing 5208. *Required Preparation: Students must be eligible to enter BIO 107 (Regents or college preparatory Biology and Chemistry in last 5 years with Regents score of 80% or above or BIO 103 and CHM 103 or equivalent course with a grade of C or better.)*

Students must be eligible to enter college level Math and English courses to be determined by SUNY Adirondack Accuplacer Test, or have earned college level Math and English credit.

Nursing Admissions Application Information **[4]**

Nursing Frequently Asked Questions [5]

Cr.	Course Title	
3	Introduction to College Writing	
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4	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	
4	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	
4	Microbiology	
3	General Psychology	
3	Principles of Sociology	
3	Developmental Psychology	
6	Foundations of Nurse Caring I	
5	Principles of Nurse Caring II	
4	Principles of Family Nursing Caring	
10	Principles of Nurse Caring III	
5	Principles of Nurse Caring IV	
4	Principles of Mental Health Nurse Caring	
2	Professional Issues and Leadership in Nursing	
1	Nursing Elective	
64	**Minimum credits required for graduation**	

Recommended First Year		
First Semester		
3	ENG101	
4	BIO107	
3	PSY101	
6	NUR100	

Second Semester	
3	ENG102 - ENG110
4	BIO108
9-10	NUR102 and NUR103 or NUR104
Recommended Second Year	
Third Semester	
4	BIO223
3	PSY222
9-10	NUR102 and NUR103 or NUR104
1	Nursing Elective
Fourth Semester	
3	SOC101
5	NUR200
4	NUR201
2	NUR202

Additional Information:

I.   Admission Information

1.   Students requesting admission into the Nursing Program must submit a separate Supplemental N Applications will be accepted between January 1st and February 1st for Fall consideration and be 1 for Spring consideration. Beginning with the students applying to the Nursing Program for Janu students applying to the Nursing Program at SUNY Adirondack will be required to complete a HES This test will be able to be scheduled in the Testing Center at SUNY Adirondack or a Prometric Te choice. The results of the HESI A2 Nursing Admissions Test will be valid for two calendar years, a the exam for admissions consideration. The cost of this admissions test will be the responsibility

2.   A GPA of 2.8 or better is required to enter the Nursing Program.

3.   Students admitted to the nursing program must be 18 years of age or older before the first day c

4.   All applicants must be eligible to enter college level Math and English courses as determined by Test, or have earned college level Math and English credit.

5.   A grade of C+ (77) is required in all nursing courses for the AAS in Nursing and in BIO 107, BIO 1 than C+ (77) in the above courses cannot be used to fulfill the program requirements.

6.   Students have up to two attempts to receive a C+ or greater in BIO 107, BIO 108, and BIO 223, of C+ or better within the past five years of being accepted into a nursing cohort, will be eligible Successful science course completions prior to admittance into the Nursing AAS program, will rer enrolled students in the Nursing AAS program.

7.   Admission in this program is conditional upon meeting all college and hospital specific requireme limited to: annual physical examination in which the provider attests to the student's ability to ca setting; documented proof for all vaccination requirements; TB testing; Healthcare Provider CPR demonstration); current nursing student malpractice insurance; completion of felony conviction i medical insurance; and completion of criminal background check in CastleBranch. All items must (August 1 for fall cohort & January 3 for spring cohort). Students not meeting the requirements w

setting; this will result in an "unsafe" for the clinical day – two unsafes result in a failure for the c

8. All students admitted to the Nursing Program must attend a mandatory Nursing Program Orienta
nursing students will be given a Student Nursing Handbook which contains important Nursing Pro
reviewed with the students. All students are required to sign the final page of this handbook ackn
received and understood the policies that they are bound to as a nursing student at SUNY Adiron
kept in the student files and acknowledges understanding of the policies outlined in the handboo
of this contract.

9. All students admitted to the nursing program must attend the cohort registration informational
registration) and the Nursing Program Orientation (traditional students) or register and take the
(LPN/Transfer students) prior to the start of the semester entering the nursing program. During t
course, students will receive the HSD Nursing Student Handbook – it includes the nursing specific
faculty will review the Handbook with the students and students will be expected to sign the atte
they have received and understood the policies that they are bound to as a nursing student at SU
form acknowledges the student's understanding of the policies outlined in the Handbook and con
contract. The form will be kept in the student Nursing file.

Admission and continuation in this program are conditional upon annual physical examination i
the student's ability to care for patients in the hospital setting; maintaining currency with all vac
CPR, and nursing student malpractice insurance; and remaining in compliance with the policies a
SUNY ADK Student Handbook and the Health Sciences Division Nursing Student Handbook. Form
Specialist in the Health Sciences Division office. Students not in compliance will not be allowed in
receive an unsafe for the clinical experience missed.

10. A deferment from acceptance into the Nursing Program is only granted for extenuating circums
To qualify for a deferment, you must submit a request PRIOR to the start of the semester that yo
deferment is only given for one (1) academic semester and only one (1) time. If a student does n
after the completion of their deferment terms, they will be removed from the list and the student
Program for future consideration.

IA. Supplemental Admission Information for Graduates of Practical Nursing Programs

1. Graduates of practical nursing programs may be granted advanced standing in the Nursing Prog
GPA of 2.8 or higher is needed for entry if enrolled in college courses. Applicants must be eligible
have a "C+" or better in BIO 107 in two attempts or less, within the past five years of being acce
LPN students who receive advanced placement in the Nursing Program and credit for NUR 100 w
one-day noncredit LPN Transition Course that will be offered prior to the start of the entering coh
cost for this course will be set by the college and will be the responsibility of the student. Satisfa
LPN students to receive credit for NUR 100 and advanced placement in the Nursing Program. Stu
Nursing program in 4.5 semesters from enrollment in the first nursing course.

IB. Supplemental Admission Information for Students from another Accredited Nursing Program

1. Students, with prior enrollment from another accredited nursing program, wishing to transfer in
Program must meet the 2.8 GPA to enter the Nursing program and have a grade of C+ (77) or be
223, and any transfer nursing courses. Students may have up to two attempts to receive a C+ or
and BIO 223, and only courses with a grade of C+ or better within the past five years of being ac
be eligible to meet program requirements. Transfer nursing courses will be considered if the grad
of nursing courses from other programs will be considered on a case-by-case basis Students mus
standing from the Program Director for consideration of transfer to the Nursing Program. Transfe
to take the one-day, noncredit LPN Transition course that is offered prior to the start of the fall an

for this course will be set by the college and will be the responsibility of the student. Satisfactory
transfer students to receive credit for NUR 100 and advanced placement in the Nursing Program
Nursing program in 4.5 semesters from enrollment in the first
  nursing course.

II. Information for Continuance in the Nursing Program

1.   Students must receive a C+ or greater for each required nursing course. If the student does not
required nursing course, they may repeat the nursing course, however, only one nursing course
student's enrollment in the nursing program.

2.   Students must receive a C+ or greater in BIO 107, BIO 108, and BIO 223. Students may repeat
attain a C+ or better; prior BIO W or X grades are not considered a repeat but may negatively im
program. Only courses with a grade of C+ or better within the past five years will be eligible to m
Students are expected to have a C+ or greater in BIO 107 by the end of the first semester (tradit
entering the program for advanced placement students. Students are expected to have a C+ or
they have completed NUR 102, 103, and 104. Students are expected to have a C+ or better in BI
they complete the final semester of nursing courses. Failure to meet the requirements may prev
in the program.

3.   Students who fail a nursing course are not guaranteed continued enrollment in the Nursing prog
withdraws from NUR 100 their status in the Nursing Program will be reevaluated by the nursing f
will not be guaranteed.

4.   Students are eligible for one withdraw from a required nursing course during their enrollment in

5.   Traditional students must complete the Nursing program in six semesters from enrollment in th

6.   A student who will not be enrolled continuously in the Nursing Program must request a Leave o
Nursing Student Handbook. A student will only be granted a Leave of Absence for a period of one
of Absence will be granted during the student's enrollment in the nursing program. During the Le
be moved from nursing to undeclared.

7.   Nursing electives can be chosen from any NUR course not required in the curriculum.

8.   Clinical experiences are provided in area health care facilities during day and evening hours and
placements. PLEASE NOTE: Students may be required to travel an hour or more to a clinical site
transportation.

9.   Clinical sections may be taught by adjunct faculty.

10.   Unsatisfactory or unsafe application of theory in the clinical experience/laboratory may result in

from the Nursing program.

11. Basic Drug calculation skills will be taught in NUR 100. Evaluation and demonstration of proficien
the completion of this unit in NUR 100 and at the beginning of each major nursing course with a
be provided with drug calculation practice web sites and resources which will be posted on Learn
prepare for the applicable math proficiency test. Students who receive 100% on the math profici
complete on the Clinical Evaluation Tool for that course. A student who fails to meet the 100% re
proficiency test after three (3) attempts will be required to participate in remediation activities a
proficiency per policy for each nursing course.

12. All students are required to take the HESI Medical/Surgical Exam after completing NUR 102, 10
comprehensive HESI Exit Exam prior to graduation. Students completing NUR 202 are strongly u
NCLEX-RN Review Course offered by the college (January or May) to aid in their success with the
Review Course fees are borne by the student.

13. The State University of New York (SUNY) and SUNY Adirondack is committed to protecting the sa
who participate in college-related programs and activities, whether on or off campus. A New York
Check may be required by a clinical agency at the beginning of the student's Behavioral Health C
identified, it can take up to six (6) months for a student to receive clearance. It is the student's re
issues that may be identified in the background check and get clearance and their participation i
deferred until clearance is received.

14. Articulation agreement(s) are in place that provide for a seamless transition for SUNY Adirondack
to a B.S. program of study.

15. Admitted students who have failed clinical or have been dismissed from the Nursing Program be
appeal the decision using the grievance procedure outlined in the Nursing Student Handbook. A
restarts the Nursing Program after a period of two (2) years is treated as a new nursing student a

16. Admitted students who have been dismissed from the Nursing Program due to failing NUR 100 o
petition to reenter at a later date using the procedure outlined in the Nursing Student Handbook.

17. Admitted students who have been dismissed from the Nursing Program due to failing NUR 100
petition to be reinstated back into the program using the procedure outlined in the Nursing Stude
reinstated back into the program must successfully complete all core nursing courses, on the firs
withdrawals, to remain in the program. A student who reapplies and restarts the Nursing Progran
is treated as a new nursing student. All decisions made by the Health Sciences Division relative t
Program will be final.

18. Any student who has been dismissed from the Nursing program will be automatically reassigne
changes of major will be the responsibility of the student.

19. Students seeking re-entry into the Nursing Program must retake Nursing Courses older than two
Courses older than 5 years.

20. Beginning with nursing students admitted to the Fall 2018 academic semester, all admitted nurs
undergo a national criminal background check and submit mandated annual requirements throu
compliance agency. The cost of this background check and compliance tracker will be the respor
The compliance agency will notify the Division Chair of the Health Sciences Division for any posit
identified through this background check. This may preclude a student from participating in clini
affiliating agencies and the College may not be able to accommodate clinical placement. Success
progression in the Nursing Program is dependent on successful completion of clinical experience
student's continuance in the Nursing Program. The College reserves the right to require an addit
student is enrolled in the Nursing Program or when returning from an approved Leave of Absence
check will be the responsibility of the student.

21. For compliance with SUNY Policy #3200 – Admissions of Persons with Prior Felony Convictions, n[...] convictions will be required to report to the Dean for Student Affairs and may be subject to revie[...] Felony Review Committee.

22. In the event that a Nursing Policy is changed/updated in the Nursing Student Handbook mid aca[...] updated policy in the Nursing Student Handbook will supersede the policy in the College Catalog[...]

23. Nursing Students are required to take a full semester of nursing courses once accepted into the [...] elect to take just one seven (7) week course each semester. Exceptions may be allowed for those[...] absence.

24. Upon graduation, SUNY Adirondack nursing graduates will be prepared to take the NCLEX-RN. H[...] NCLEX-RN is not guaranteed. Students are responsible for reading and understanding the RN lice[...] they hope to practice in following graduation or if considering relocation.

Am I ready to apply to the nursing program?

Use the following chart to determine if you're ready to apply to the nursing program. Start at the top, if you can answer "Yes" to a statement, move on to the next one! If your answer is "No" or "Not Sure?" read the notes to see what your next step should be.

Statement	My Answer			Notes
I have been accepted to SUNY Adirondack.	Yes	No	Not Sure?	You must be accepted to the college in general before applying to the nursing program. If you have been a SUNY Adirondack student in the past, and are returning to pursue nursing please check with an advisor *before* submitting your nursing program application.
If I have attended another college, I have sent my *official* transcripts to SUNY Adirondack's Registrar	Yes	No	Not Sure?	Official transcripts must be in your student file at SUNY Adirondack in order for you to receive credit for coursework taken at other colleges.
I am ready to	Yes	No	Not Sure?	Most new

take (or have already taken) college-level mathematics & English.				(and many returning) students will take a placement test for math and/or English. Your placement test score will determine your starting point for math and English courses. If you have math and/or English credit from another college, make sure that SUNY Adirondack has received an official transcript for your coursework.	
Within the past 5 years, I have either: taken the Biology Regents and earned an 80 or higher OR taken BIO 103 (or the equivalent) and earned a C or higher.	Yes	No	Not Sure?	*Note: If you have already completed Anatomy & Physiology I, please skip this step.* If you have not taken BIO 103 within the past 5 years and earned a C or better, or earned an 80 or better on the New York State Regents exam within the past 5 years, **you must take BIO 103 and earn a C or better** before you can apply to the nursing program.	

	Yes	No	Not Sure?		
Within the past 5 years, I have either: taken the Chemistry Regents and earned an 80 or higher OR taken CHM 103 (or the equivalent) and earned a C or higher.	Yes	No	Not Sure?	If you have not taken CHM 103 within the past 5 years and earned a C or better, or earned an 80 or better on the New York State Regents exam within the past 5 years, **you must take CHM 103 and earn a C or better** before you can apply to the nursing program. *Note: CHM 103 has a minimum prerequisite of MATH 097, MAT 167 or an appropriate score on the math placement test. See an advisor if you're not sure of your math background.*	
My overall GPA is a 2.8 or higher.	Yes	No	Not Sure?	Please meet with an advisor if your GPA is below 2.8 to develop a plan to improve your GPA. You must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.8 or higher to be considered for the nursing program.	
If I have taken BIO 107, 108 and/or BIO 223, it was	Yes	No	Not sure?	It's recommended that you take BIO 107	

within the past 5 years and I earned a C+ or higher.				before you apply to nursing, or that you apply when BIO 107 is in progress (BIO 108 for LPN advanced standing applicants). You must earn a C+ *minimum* in BIO 107, 108 and 223. *Note: These 3 courses may be repeated only <u>once</u> to achieve the minimum C+ grade. Many RN-to-BSN programs will require that A&P I and A&P II be taken <u>at the same</u> college or university.*	
If you've answered "Yes" to all of the above statements, you're ready to apply to the SUNY Adirondack nursing program!					

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