

Registered Nursing Program

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

This program is intended to enable the LPN who holds a current license to transition to the Registered Nurse role within a minimum period of time without duplication of course content and credits. Graduates are eligible to apply and take the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

Application Procedures and Deadline

Classes are admitted in May. Class size is limited and all applicants are not accepted for admission.

All applicants will have an equal opportunity for program acceptance regardless of race, age, disability, sex, creed, religion, or nationality.

Applicants with special needs due to disability must make this fact known prior to admission so necessary accommodations can be made. Because of the nature of the profession it may not always be possible to accommodate students with severe disabilities. Please refer to functional ability requirements.

Application Deadline: **2nd Friday in January**



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Acceptance Procedure

Applicants that are selected for admission must notify the nursing division of intent to register by picking up an acceptance packet within the allotted time. It is the student's responsibility to submit all documents required for acceptance to the Nursing Department. Upon acceptance into the program students must submit evidence of the following in order to begin classes:

1. Signed Functional Ability Acknowledgement Form.
2. Hepatitis B Series or Signature on SEARK Vaccination Waiver Claim Form.
3. P.P.D. Skin Test or Chest X-Ray.
4. Drug Screen.
5. Criminal Background check.

All students accepted must have a criminal background check. The Drug Screen & Background check will be required through a selected Clinical Credentialing Agency. Students are responsible for any fees associated with the background check.

Students enrolled in Allied Health programs with a clinical component will be assessed a fee for malpractice insurance.

NOTE: Random drug screening may be requested for cause at any time during the course of the program at the students' expense.

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Advising

Advisors are available to aid students in course selection and future planning.

Admission Requirements

1. Complete all SEARK College Admission Requirements.
2. Graduate from a State Board approved practical nursing or paramedic program.
3. Hold a current unencumbered Arkansas LPN or Paramedic license.
4. Current American Health Association (AHA) CPR Certification.
5. Provide one or all of the following test scores:
 - Accuplacer Reading score of at least 75
 - Next Generation Accuplacer Reading score of at least 250
 - ACT Reading score of at least 19
 - COMPASS Reading score of at least 83 **OR**
 - Completion of a course in developmental reading with a letter grade of C or better.
6. Completion of all pre-admission requirement courses.
7. Possess a 2.5 Grade Point Average. Provide transcripts from all colleges and/or schools attended.
8. Transfer students must present a letter of good standing from previous nursing program director.
9. Completion of ATI TEAS Entrance Exam with a score of 55 or above.
10. Complete a Division of nursing & Allied Health Application form and submit to the Division of Nursing & Allied Health prior to the application deadline date.
11. Completion of the required nursing program.
12. Provide evidence of recent satisfactory work experience. {current Check Stub or Job Reference}

The above information must be submitted to:

Southeast Arkansas College
 Nursing & Allied Health Division
 Attn: Registered Nursing-LPN/Paramedic to RN
 1900 Hazel Street
 Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71603

Financial Aid

For students who qualify, financial aid consists of funds made available from federal, state, and local sources. Scholarships, grants, loans, and Veteran's benefits are all available to qualified students.

Accreditation

Southeast Arkansas College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and the Registered Nurse Program—LPN/Paramedic to RN (Level II) Option has Continuing Accreditation for Good Cause, by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN), 3390 Peach Tree Rd. NE. Ste. 1400: Atlanta GA, 30326: (404)975-5000. www.acen.org

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<u>Pre Admission Requirements</u>			<u>Credits</u>
<u>Practical Nursing or Paramedic Licensure</u>			<u>10</u>
ENGL	1313	English Composition I	3
ENGL	1323	English Composition II	3
MATH	1333	College Algebra OR	3
MATH	1233	Technical Math	(3)
BIOL	2453	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3
BIOL	2451	Human Anatomy & Physiology I Lab	1
BIOL	2463	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3
BIOL	2461	Human Anatomy & Physiology II Lab	1
BIOL	2473	Microbiology	3
BIOL	2471	Microbiology Lab	<u>1</u>
			21
HOME	1323	<i>Basic Nutrition (Optional)</i>	<u>(3)</u>
CHEM	1434	<i>General Chemistry (Optional)</i>	<u>(3)</u>
SOCI	2313	<i>Intro to Sociology (Optional)</i>	<u>(3)</u>
<u>INTERSESSION</u>			
NURS	2413	Transition to Nursing Practice	<u>3</u>
<u>SUMMER (Program Acceptance)</u>			
NURS	2514	Medical Surgical Nursing II	4
NURS	2502	Med/Surg II Clinical	2
PSYC	2303	General Psychology	3
COMP	1123	Introduction to Computers	<u>3</u>
			12
<u>FALL</u>			
NURS	2613	Maternal/Newborn Nursing	3
NURS	2602	Clinical Practicum	2
NURS	2713	Pediatric Nursing	3
NURS	2702	Clinical Practicum	<u>2</u>
			10
<u>SPRING</u>			
NURS	2813	Mental Health Nursing	3
NURS	2802	Clinical Practicum	2
NURS	2914	Complex Health Disorders	4
NURS	2902	Clinical Practicum	2
NURS	2901	NCLEX RN Prep	<u>1</u>
TOTAL			12
<i>COMPLETION AWARD: Associate of Applied Science</i>			<u>68</u>

Approval

The Nursing program has conditional approval by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing; 1123 S. University Ave. Ste. #800, Little Rock, AR 72204; (501) 686-2786.

For More Information Contact:
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