

# Nursing

Degree Awarded: Associate in Applied Science

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## Recommended Course Sequence for Full-Time Study

First Semester	Credits
ENG 101 Freshman English 1	3
BIO 111 Anatomy and Physiology 1	4
MLT 106 Microbiology for Health Prof.	3
NUR 101 Nursing 1: Fundamentals	7
<b>Second Semester</b>	
ENG 102 Freshman English 2	3
BIO 112 Anatomy & Physiology 2	4
NUR 102 Nursing 2: Fundamentals	10
<b>Third Semester</b>	
PSY 101 General Psychology	3
CHM 120 Elements of Chem. & Physics	3
NUR 201 Nursing III: Caring for the Growing Family	7
_____ Elective	3
PES 100 Concepts of Physical Wellness	1
<b>Fourth Semester</b>	
_____ Social Science Elective*	3
NUR 202 Nursing IV: Physical and Mental Illness	9
NUR 203 Nursing V: Transition to Practice	1
_____ Elective	3
PES ____ Physical Education	1
Total Credits: 68	

\* Refer to Guide for Social Science Requirement and select from group A, C or D.

## Program Description

The Associate in Applied Science degree program in Nursing prepares students to become registered nurses. It provides for the development of those competencies expected of registered nurses in general nursing practice at the technical level. Emphasis is on direct client care within a career in nursing.

Through study in the humanities, biological and social sciences, and the experience of academic life, the student gains an understanding of the value of the individual and his/her contribution to society. This curriculum combines general education courses and nursing courses with laboratory and clinical experiences, during which students have the opportunity to care for clients in a variety of healthcare settings. Due to limited availability of clinical experience in some areas, students may be assigned to evening and/or weekend clinical experiences. Students' personal schedules will have to be adjusted to allow for these required opportunities. Students gain clinical experience in long-term care, medical-surgical, maternal/child and mental health nursing. A variety of teaching methods is employed to integrate the classroom with the clinical experience.

Graduates of the program will have the necessary theoretical background and technical skills for an entry level nursing position. They will value the pursuit of lifelong learning. Graduates of the program are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for Registered Professional Nurse (RN) and will demonstrate the ability to pass the examination at a rate equal to or exceeding the mean for New York State.

## Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

- utilize a reasoning process to resolve clinical and professional problems.
- listen, speak and write to promote the client's well being.
- follow accepted standards of nursing practice to provide safe and appropriate care.
- through professional role development, provide age appropriate care to clients in diverse healthcare settings.

## Admission Criteria

### Academic Requirements:

- High school diploma or GED
- Eligible to take Freshman English I (ENG 101)
- Eligible to take Intermediate Algebra (MAT 102), or have completed Elementary Algebra (MAT 101) or equivalent with a 2.0 or higher
- Completed High School AP Biology (score of 3, 4, or 5) or a passing grade in the Biology CLEP examination; or introduction to Biology or Anatomy & Physiology 1 with a grade of 2.0 or better (within 5 years of program entry)
- Students must attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5

### Department-Specific Requirements:

- Attendance at a pre-admission orientation. At this orientation, student will receive and sign off on information pertaining to health forms, program standards, CPR certification, and criminal record & drug screening policies.
- Applicants for the Nursing program will be required to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). Students may be required to take remedial courses in Nursing based on test results. Test times will be announced.
- The Nursing Department will review transcripts of those students who have been enrolled in a nursing program at SUNY Orange or another college.

Note: Admission to this program is selective. In addition to an application to the College, students must apply for acceptance into this program through the Admissions office. Consideration for admission is based on the completion of all mandatory academic and departmental-specific requirements, highest combination of CQPA and credits completed towards the degree, Orange County residency and seat availability. All requirements must be completed and an eligibility form must be submitted to the Admissions Office before February 1 in order for a student to be considered for acceptance into this program for the Fall semester.

## Career Opportunities

- hospitals
- long-term care settings
- community agencies
- health maintenance organizations
- government
- physicians' offices
- industry
- military
- education
- nursing specialties

## Transfer Opportunities

Many of our graduates transfer to upper-level colleges and universities to pursue advanced degrees in the nursing profession. Successful transfer depends on the courses taken and the student's grade point average. SUNY Orange has special relationships with a number of colleges and universities.

- Hartwick College
- Mercy College
- Mount St. Mary College
- New York University
- Pace University
- Russell Sage College

## Contact Information

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Admissions Office  
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PES 100 Concepts of Physical Wellness	1
Fourth Semester	
CHM 120 Elements of Chem. & Physics	3
_____ Elective	3
PES _____ Physical Education	1
Fifth Semester	
NUR 101 Nursing 1: Fundamentals	7
_____ Elective*	3
Sixth Semester	
NUR 102 Nursing 2: Fundamentals	10
Seventh Semester	
NUR 201 Nursing III: Caring for the Growing Family	7
_____ Social Science Elective	3
Eighth Semester	
NUR 202 Nursing IV: Physical and Mental Illness	9
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## Guidelines for Advanced Placement for Licensed Practical Nurses

### • Transfer from a Practical Nursing Program

SUNY Orange has an articulation agreement with OUBOCES School of Practical Nursing. Graduates of this program may transfer into NUR 102–Fundamentals of Nursing 2 based on the following criteria:

- o Meet the college and nursing program admission criteria
- o Attainment of an overall GPA of 85% in the LPN program
- o Graduation within the previous five years
- o Have a letter of recommendation from an OUBOCES practical nursing program instructor
- o Pass the NYS Licensed Practical Nurse Examination
- o Successful completion of Nursing Bridge Course 1 (N3029)

### • Advance Standing into the Second Semester

Licensed Practical Nurses who do not meet the transfer requirements from an articulation agreement, may apply for admission to NUR 102–Fundamentals of Nursing 2. The application will be reviewed when the individual has met the college and nursing program admission criteria and the following has been achieved:

- o Successful completion of an NLN accredited and/or state registered LPN program
- o A score of B on the Excelsior College Examination for Fundamentals of Nursing. (score may not be more than three years old)
- o Successful completion of Nursing Bridge Course 1 (N3029)

### • Advance Standing into the Fourth Semester

Licensed Practical Nurses, who have successfully completed NUR 102–Fundamentals of Nursing 2, may be considered for advanced standing into NUR 202–Physical and Mental Illness after completing the following requirements:

- o PN transcript review demonstrates a minimum of 70 clinical hours in Maternal and Child Nursing
- o Score of B on the Excelsior College Examination in Maternal and Child Nursing (baccalaureate)
- o Successful completion of Nursing Bridge Course 2

Credit for Nursing 1 will be granted after successful completion of Nursing 2 with a grade of C (2.0) or higher. Credit for Nursing 3 will be granted after successful completion of Nursing 4 and 5 with a grade of C (2.0) or higher. Minimum passing grade in all core nursing courses is 75. Nursing 2 and 4 are offered in the Spring semesters. The offering of these courses out of sequence is never guaranteed & at the discretion of the nursing department based on enrollment & clinical placement availability.

Students will be considered for acceptance into the Nursing Program based on the admission criteria in effect at the time of the request. Please be advised that certain general education requirements are co-requisites with nursing courses. A&P 2 must be taken with or prior to Nursing 2. Elements of Chemistry and Physics & Psychology of Adjustment must be taken prior to Nursing 4.

LPN to RN Admissions Eligibility Forms are to be submitted by September 1<sup>st</sup> and all LPN - RN admissions requirements must be completed by November 1<sup>st</sup> in order for a student to be considered for acceptance into the program for the spring semester.

## Progression Through The Program

A minimum grade of 75% (C) in each nursing course is required for progress in and graduation in nursing. A minimum grade of C is required in all laboratory science courses for progression in the nursing program. Nursing students must complete Freshman English 1 & 2 prior to enrollment in Nursing 3. Required nursing courses must be taken in the prescribed sequence. A student may repeat only one required nursing course one time. Once students are enrolled in the core nursing courses, they are to complete the program in three years. Students interested in admission to the evening nursing program are advised that this is a part-time program limited to 11.5 credits each semester. In order to meet this requirement; all non-clinical courses should be completed prior to starting this part-time program. The day program is two academic years in length if pursued on a full time basis. Because of the intense nature of the Nursing Program, the student may find that part-time study is more appropriate.

## Nursing Readmission

Students who withdraw from, fail or receive a grade below "C" in any one of the required nursing courses may apply for readmission to the Nursing program. A student is only allowed to do this one time. Additionally the program is to be completed within three years from the start of the first nursing course. A student seeking readmission must meet the program requirements in effect at the date of re-entry. Readmission is neither guaranteed nor is it an automatic process. Students requesting to be considered for readmission to Nursing 1 are to do so through the admissions office of the college. Students requesting to be considered for readmission to Nursing 2, 3, 4 or 5 must inform the nursing department chairperson in writing. Written requests must be submitted by June 1<sup>st</sup> for the Fall semester and September 1<sup>st</sup> for the Spring semester. Prior to readmission, students are required to successfully complete a special bridge course.

## Licensure

Graduates of the nursing program are eligible to apply for the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX). Completion of the Nursing program does not assure admittance to attempt the RN licensure exam. When submitting an application for licensure and first registration, the applicant is required to report any history of a felony or misdemeanor. The state boards of nursing will review all applicant information submitted and determine if the applicant is eligible for licensure.

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