ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING   **A45110**

The Associate Degree Nursing curriculum provides knowledge, skills, and strategies to integrate safety and quality into nursing care, to practice in a dynamic environment, and to meet individual needs which impact health, quality of life, and achievement of potential.

Course work includes and builds upon the domains of healthcare, nursing practice, and the holistic individual. Content emphasizes the nurse as a member of the interdisciplinary team providing safe, individualized care while employing evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and informatics.

Graduates of this program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN). Employment opportunities are vast within the global health care system and may include positions within acute, chronic, extended, industrial, and community health care facilities.

Limited Enrollment Curriculum: The Associate Degree Nursing program is a limited enrollment curriculum and program applicants are accepted based upon a competitive admissions process. Admission criteria for the Associate Degree Nursing program are reviewed annually and are subject to change. Enrollment is limited to the number of approved spaces allocated by the North Carolina Board of Nursing and availability of clinical rotation sites.

A. PROGRAM SPECIFIC ENTRANCE STANDARDS:
Admission
A student can apply to the Associate Degree Nursing program once minimum admissions criteria have been met (see Nursing Programs Admission Guide). Prospective applicants will have a Student Education Plan (SEP) developed by the Nursing Admission and Advising Center. Students are highly encouraged to meet with a Nursing Admission Coordinator or Advisor to review their academic progress and seek further guidance on meeting the admission criteria. In addition, prospective students are strongly encouraged to attend an information session about the Nursing programs.

Associate Degree Nursing Program applicants will have an opportunity to indicate Practical Nursing as a second-choice program when completing the Health Sciences Application for Fall admission.

B. REQUIREMENTS AFTER ACCEPTANCE:
Criminal Background Check/Drug Screening
A criminal background check and drug screening will be required for all accepted Nursing students. Clinical affiliates will review criminal background reports and drug screenings of students and reserve the right to accept or deny any students based on their consideration of these reports. Negative reports and/or failed screenings can preclude a student from attending the clinical portion of their prescribed program and thus, will result in the student's inability to progress within the program. Students are subject to criminal background check and drug screening at any time during a course with a clinical rotation. Clinical agencies reserve the right to require additional background checks and drug screens. Associated fees are the student's responsibility.

Medical Forms/Immunizations
Applicants are required to submit a completed college approved student medical health form to the required document tracking system by the assigned date. The forms include documentation of satisfactory emotional and physical health to safely participate in a clinical setting and immunizations required by affiliate clinical agencies. Failure to submit the required information by the assigned date may result in loss of Associate Degree Nursing admission status.

BLS Provider CPR
CPR Certification by the American Heart Association (AHA) in BLS Provider (Basic Life Support including CPR and AED) that includes both performance and testing of criteria is required prior to clinical rotations. Students are responsible for keeping their CPR certification current throughout the duration of the program.

Mandatory Orientation Session
When notified of acceptance, applicants must attend a mandatory orientation session with the Associate Degree Nursing program.

Liability/Malpractice Insurance
Malpractice insurance required for Nursing students is provided by the college and is assessed as a student fee. Students are required to upload proof of payment to the applicable clinical documentation repository.

Transportation/Additional Class/Course Materials
Nursing students are responsible for their own transportation to off-campus clinical/learning sites. Materials other than textbooks will be required and are purchased at student's expense. Students may be required to attend classes on alternate dates depending on availability of resources to meet the objectives of the course. Students will be notified in advance at the earliest possible time.

Technical (Physical) Standards
The Nursing programs are physically demanding. Students will be expected to perform lifting/moving, bending, stooping, and standing for long periods of time as well as manual dexterity and fine motor skills. The student must have the sensory-perceptual capabilities to carry out the assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation that are required in all phases of nursing practice.

Academic Dismissal Policy
In addition to the Student Code of Conduct regulations, the Nursing faculty have an academic, legal, and ethical responsibility to protect members of the public and of the health care community from unsafe or unprofessional nursing

practices. A student may be removed from class or clinical if he or she:

- Demonstrates behavior which conflicts with safety essential to nursing practice.
- Demonstrates physical or emotional impediments which conflict with safety essential to nursing practice and do not respond to appropriate treatment or counseling within a
- reasonable period of time.
- Engages in conduct, which violates the North Carolina Nursing Practice Act.
- Engages in conduct, which violates the Code of Ethics for Nurses of the American Nurses' Association.
- Engages in nursing practice for which the student has not been authorized or for which the student has not been educated at the time of the incident.
- Engages in conduct which threatens or has the potential to threaten the physical, emotional, mental, or environmental health or safety of a client, a client's family member or significant other, another student, a faculty member, another health care provider, general public, or the student himself or herself
- Through verbal or written word compromises the integrity and/or reputation of the FTCC Nursing programs, the profession, or its affiliates.
- Fails to demonstrate professional behavior, including honesty, integrity, and appropriate use of social media (see Associate Degree Nursing Social Media policy), while in the nursing program.
- Fails to adhere to College, Nursing program and clinical site policies and procedures.

Program Specific Academic Standards

Upon official acceptance, Nursing students are required to maintain the necessary GPA requirements for entry. Students cannot enter a Nursing program while on academic suspension. The nursing program requires a grade scale that is different from the general college requirement. Students must achieve a final grade of "80" or higher in every NUR course in order to remain in the Associate Degree Nursing program. Associate Degree Nursing and progressive related courses must be taken in succession as they appear in the curriculum guide. Associate Degree Nursing students must adhere to the other policies set forth in the Nursing Student Handbook. See additional Program Specific Standards in the Nursing Student Handbook and specific Associate Degree Nursing course syllabi.

Transfer Students

Students who have completed nursing courses within the past year, with a final grade of 80% or better, at a nursing program approved by a State Board of Nursing, and wish to transfer credits, should contact the Associate Degree Nursing Program Director. Transfer students must meet the Associate Degree Nursing admission eligibility criteria. A student must receive transfer credit for NUR 111 to be considered a transfer student. Transfer credit may be awarded for any 100 level NUR courses in the Associate Degree Nursing program. Transfer students are required to adhere to all FTCC and Associate Degree Nursing program student policies. Any applicant that was dismissed from a previous nursing program due to unsafe clinical performance, academic dishonesty, or has two or more unsuccessful attempts in any NUR course(s) are not eligible for transfer into the Associate Degree Nursing program.

<u>**Awards**</u>

Associate Degree: Associate Degree Nursing (A45110)

Length of Program: 5 Semesters
Prerequisite: Official High School or GED transcript; 1 Unit of High School Biology or higher-level college course with "C" grade or better,
1 Unit of High School Chemistry or higher-level college course with "C" grade or better MAT 025 or equivalent; ENG 025 or equivalent,
TEAS Test - Overall score of 58.7 or higher; no more than 3 years old at the time of application.

Diploma: Not Applicable

Length of Program:
Prerequisite:

Certificate: Fundamentals Skills I Certificate (C45110C1)

Length of Program: 1 Semester
Prerequisite: Official High School or GED transcript; 1 Unit of High School Biology or higher-level college course with "C" grade or better,
1 Unit of High School Chemistry or higher-level college course with "C" grade or better MAT 025 or equivalent; ENG 025 or equivalent,
or equivalent,
TEAS Test - Overall score of 58.7 or higher; no more than 3 years old at the time of application.

Certificate: Fundamentals Skills II Certificate (C45110C2)

Length of Program: 1 Semester
Prerequisite: Official High School or GED transcript; 1 Unit of High School Biology or higher-level college course with "C" grade or better,
1 Unit of High School Chemistry or higher-level college course with "C" grade or better MAT 025 or equivalent; ENG 025 or equivalent,

TEAS Test - Overall score of 58.7 or higher; no more than 3 years old at the time of application.

Work-Based Learning Requirements/Opportunities: For Work-Based Learning education requirements/opportunities please see the appropriate Program Sequencing sheet.

License or Certification Information: Graduates are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN), which is required to practice as a Registered Nurse.

Programmatic Accreditation: Accredited by: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, Ph# (404) 975-5000

Approved by: North Carolina Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 2129, Raleigh, NC 27602 Ph# (919) 782-3211

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Application Deadlines: The program is designed for a student to enter during both the fall and spring semesters. A student may enter at other times with approval of the Department Chairperson. Students should apply between November 1 and January 30th for consideration of entry during the Fall semester and apply between June 1 and July 31st for consideration of entry during the Spring semester. Specific health program admission requirements must be met before a student is eligible for admission.

Scholarship/Title IV Financial Aid/VA Services: Scholarships/Title IV Financial Aid/Veteran's assistance may be available for associate degrees. Certificates and diplomas that fall under this program/area of study **may or may not be eligible** for Scholarship/Title IV Financial Aid/VA Services. Please contact the Financial Aid Office, Student Center, Room 2; Telephone (910) 678-8242. Veterans Services, General Classroom Building, Room 202, (910) 678-8580.

Child Care Financial Assistance Information:
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