



Subject: Information for the Associate Degree Nursing Program

Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the **Associate Degree Nursing Program** at Mitchell Community College. Admission to the program is **competitive**, and the paper application is accepted from January 2 to February 15 each year. The application process is as follows:

- Complete the Mitchell Community College application.
- Send all official high school and college transcripts to Mitchell Community College Admissions Office.
- If required, schedule and take placement tests.
- After testing, you will meet with a general student services advisor, and subsequently be assigned a pre-nursing advisor.
- Set an appointment with your assigned pre-nursing advisor to determine your eligibility to apply to the program. When eligible, schedule the ATI TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) test (link will be sent to you by your pre-nursing advisor).
- If eligible to apply, complete the additional, specific Associate Degree Nursing Program application with your assigned nursing advisor.

Please remember, completion of general college admission requirements does not constitute application to the Nursing Program.

Thank you again for your interest in our program. If you have general questions concerning admission to the College, please contact one of the college admission counselors at (704) 878-3200; or if you have specific questions concerning the Associate Degree Nursing Program, please feel free to contact the nursing office at (704) 878-4260.

Sincerely,

Linda Wiersch MSN, RN, CNE

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Dean of Nursing and Health Sciences

Enclosures



Associate Degree Nursing Program

Admissions-Associate Degree Nursing

The Department of Nursing understands and accepts the concept of the open-door policy for general admission to Mitchell Community College. Admission to the College does not, however, guarantee admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program. Admission into the nursing program is competitive. In addition to the College's requirements for admission, the following are minimum requirements for admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program:

- 1. Mitchell Community College Application:** Applicants must complete the College application process for admission and submit to Student Services.
- 2. High School or high school equivalency transcript:** Graduation from a high school as specified under admission requirements for degree seeking students, complete high school transcript, or equivalent as established by a high school equivalency test.
- 3. College Transcripts:** Official transcripts from all previously attended colleges must be received by February 1 to the College. Grades less than C are not transferable into the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
- 4. Required GPA:** Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average. General education courses toward the A.A.S. Nursing degree must be completed with a grade of C or better.
- 5. Biology Course:** Applicants must have completed with a grade of C or better, high school biology and/or BIO 110 Principles of Biology, BIO 111, General Biology I, or BIO 168 Anatomy and Physiology I or equivalent. A biology course must be current within five years or demonstration of competency.
- 6. Chemistry Course:** Applicants must have completed with a grade of C or better, high school chemistry and/or CHM 131 and 131A lab, Introduction to Chemistry, CHM 151 General Chemistry I, or equivalent.
- 7. ATI TEAS Testing:** Applicant must achieve a minimum adjusted individual test score of 68 percent on the Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS). For more information about the ATI TEAS Exam, see the official website at <http://www.atitesting.com/default.aspx>. TEAS Review Books may be purchased through the Mitchell Community College Bookstore.
- 8. Associate Degree Nursing Program Application:** Applicant must complete Program Application with assigned pre-nursing advisor.
- 9. Nursing Assistant I:** Applicant must be listed as a Nursing Assistant I on the Nurse Aide I Registry with no substantiated findings, from the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation: Health Care Personnel Registry prior to the first day of NUR 111. Practical nurses with current license are exempt.
- 10. Physical and Emotional Health:** Applicant will provide validation of satisfactory physical and emotional health and current immunizations after receipt of conditional acceptance and prior to final admission into the nursing program. Required immunizations include:
 - 2 MMR vaccines (measles, mumps, rubella), or positive titers
 - 2 varicella vaccines or positive titer
 - One dose Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)/TD booster every 10 years
 - 2-step tuberculosis skin test, or negative Quantiferon Gold TB, or equivalent
 - Annual influenza immunization (late fall)
 - Hepatitis B immunization

11. CPR Certification: Applicant must hold current CPR certification by the American Heart Association at the BLS Provider level by time of enrollment into the clinical nursing component and maintained throughout the NUR course sequence.

12. Background Check and Drug Screen: Meet requirements as prescribed by clinical agencies.

13. Student must be 18 years of age prior to first day of the semester (clinical agency requirement).

14. Student must carry personal health insurance (clinical agency requirement).

15. Nursing students are required to have an electronic mobile device with access to the Internet. For specific requirements see electronic mobile device policy.

A limited number of openings exist in the Associate Degree Nursing program. Admissions consideration begins January 2 of each year. Applications will be accepted until February 15 of each year. Qualified applicants will be ranked. Points will be awarded in several categories including: TEAS score, related courses and grades earned, and previous post-secondary education. Students applying for re-admission are required to meet the current admission criteria. No student is considered to be a nursing student at Mitchell Community College until the student receives official, written notification of admission as given by the Admissions Office and the student enrolls in the nursing courses. Mitchell Community College does not use waiting lists for the nursing program. Applicants must re-apply for each year they wish to be considered for admission.

Qualifications of Graduates for Examination—Upon graduation from the nursing program and to be eligible for licensure by examination, the graduate shall make application to the Board of Nursing and shall submit to the Board an application fee and evidence sufficient to satisfy the Board that the applicant has graduated from a course of study approved by the Board and is mentally and physically competent to practice nursing.

Technology Requirement

The Associate Degree Nursing curriculum is taught using a concept based model. Students are expected to have reliable access to the Internet and an electronic mobile device is required. The program utilizes e-textbooks and many assessments are completed online.

The Associate Degree Nursing program is accredited by the **Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing** (ACEN) <http://www.acenursing.org>

3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, Phone (404) 975-5000, Fax (404) 975-5020

Please refer to the following if you have questions in these areas:

Statesville Student Services: Mon-Fri (9am-4pm) (704) 878-3200

Admission: Admissions@mitchellcc.edu

Advising: Advising@mitchellcc.edu

Disability and Accessibility Services: MElder@mitchellcc.edu

Financial Aid: FinancialAid@mitchellcc.edu

Registrar & Student Records: Records@mitchellcc.edu

Student Support Services: StudentSupport@mitchellcc.edu

Placement Testing: PlacementTest@mitchellcc.edu

Nursing Assistant I/CNA Classes (704) 878-4311

Financial Aid (704) 978-5435

Placement or TEAS Testing (704) 878-3242

The following courses may be taken prior to entering the Associate Degree Nursing Program:

ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry
ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines or ENG 114 Professional Research and Reporting
PSY 150	General Psychology
PSY 241	Developmental Psychology
BIO 168	Anatomy & Physiology I
BIO 169	Anatomy & Physiology II
BIO 275	Microbiology

General Education Elective – 3 hours (Humanities/Fine Arts)

(Choose one) for Associate Degree Nursing:

ART 111 Art Appreciation, ART 114 Art History Survey I, ART 115 Art History Survey II

HUM 115 Critical Thinking

MUS 110 Music Appreciation, MUS 112 Introduction to Jazz

PHI 215 Philosophical Issues, PHI 240 Introduction to Ethics

Graduates of this program are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN), which is required for practice as a Registered Nurse. Employment opportunities include hospitals, long-term care facilities, clinics, physician’s offices, industry, and community agencies.

Estimated Expenses

First Year Fall Semester	Estimated Cost
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 111, NUR 117 (10 credit hours) PSY 150, BIO 168 (7 credit hours)	Nursing \$760 General Education \$532
Student Activity Fee \$2.50 per credit hour (1-8)	\$25 for 9 or more hours
Student Access Fee	\$25
Technology Fee \$3 per credit hour	\$48 for 16 or more credit hours
Accident Insurance Fee	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Liability Insurance	\$13
Laptop Computer	\$350-400
CPR	\$60
Physical and Immunizations	varies
Nursing Uniform	\$50.90 includes embroidery
Nursing Cap	\$12.95
Scrub Jacket	\$20
Stethoscope	\$25-100
Bandage Scissors	\$4
Penlight	\$2
Watch able to count seconds	\$25
Kaplan Nursing	\$150
ExamSoft Testing Software	\$72
MEA Lab Kit	\$72
Castlebranch Immunization Tracker	\$35
Castlebranch Background and Drug Screen	\$89.50
Books	\$600
Electronic Charting Package	\$130
MyClinicalExchange (MyCE)	\$39.50
Semester Total	\$3207.15

First Year Spring Semester	
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 112, NUR 114 (10 credit hours) PSY 241, BIO 169 (7 credit hours)	Nursing \$760 General Education \$532
Student Activity Fee \$2.50 per credit hour (1-8)	\$25 for 9 or more hours
Student Access Fee	\$25
Technology Fee \$3 per credit hour	\$48 for 16 or more credit hours
Accident Insurance Fee	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Kaplan Nursing	\$150
ExamSoft Testing Software	\$72
Lab Fee NUR 112	\$20
Lab Fee NUR 114	\$20
Semester Total	\$1623.75

Summer Semester	No Nursing Classes
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour BIO 275, ENG 111, elective (10 credit hours)	\$760
Student Access Fee	\$3 per credit hour
Technology Fee	\$3 per credit hour
Accident Insurance	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Semester Total	\$831.25

Second Year Fall Semester	
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 113, NUR 211 (10 credit hours) ENG 112 or 114 (3 credit hours)	Nursing \$760 General Education \$228
Student Activity Fee \$2.50 per credit hour (1-8)	\$25 for 9 or more hours
Student Access Fee	\$25
Technology Fee \$3 per credit hour	\$48 for 16 or more credit hours
Accident Insurance Fee	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Liability Insurance	\$13
Health Exam and 2 Step TB	varies
Castlebranch Background and Drug Screen	\$89.50
Kaplan Nursing	\$150
ExamSoft Testing Software	\$72
Electronic Charting Package	\$130
Lab Fee NUR 113	\$20
Lab Fee NUR 211	\$20
MyClinicalExchange (MyCE)	\$39.50
Semester Total	\$1631.75

Second Year Spring Semester	
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 212, NUR 213 (15 credit hours)	Nursing \$1140
Student Activity Fee \$2.50 per credit hour (1-8)	\$25 for 9 or more hours
Student Access Fee	\$25
Technology Fee \$3 per credit hour	\$48 for 16 or more credit hours
Accident Insurance Fee	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10

Kaplan Nursing	\$150
ExamSoft Testing Software	\$72
Lab Fee NUR 213	\$20
Professional Uniform for Pinning Ceremony	\$30
Mitchell Nursing Pin (Optional)	\$0-45
Costs related to Licensure Exam	\$313
Semester Total	\$1521.75

An estimate of total program costs for the two years is approximately \$9,000.00 (based on in-state tuition). Costs are heaviest during the first semester of the program.

Fees and expenses noted are estimates and are subject to change.

Mitchell Community College awards several scholarships designated for students accepted to the associate degree nursing program each year. To be considered for these scholarships, students should complete a free application for federal student aid available on the web at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> and a Mitchell Community College Scholarship Application available on the College's website or at the financial aid department in the Student Services Center. Students should direct any questions about scholarships to Rachel Knox, Scholarship Coordinator, at (704) 878-3255 or email rknox@mitchellcc.edu.

Hickory Regionally Increasing Baccalaureate Nurses (RIBN)

The RIBN program is a four-year nursing option where students are dually admitted to both Lenoir-Rhyne University (LRU) and Mitchell Community College. The RIBN program provides a seamless associate to baccalaureate nursing education for top academic students. The first three years of study are at Mitchell along with one course per semester at LRU. Upon successful completion of the first three years, students take their fourth year at LRU. Admission to the program is competitive and students are chosen on the basis of specific academic requirements <http://www.lr.edu/admissions/RIBN>.

RIBN Student Success Advocate: Margaret Shreidah

Email: Margaret.Shreidah@lr.edu

Office: (828) 328-7213

Associate Degree Nursing (2021-2022) Competitive Admission Program

Pre-Nursing code: A1030N Associate in General Education- Nursing

To apply to the nursing program, the student must meet these criteria:

1. Score minimum of 68 or higher on the ATI TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) offered October- Feb with SignUpGenius Link.
2. GPA 2.5 or higher.
3. Complete course and listed as a Nursing Assistant I on the NC Registry with no substantiated findings (www.ncnar.org) prior to first day of NUR 111 course. Contact Joyce Chambers to register for NA I (704) 878-4311.
4. High school biology, BIO 110 Principles of Biology, BIO 111 General Biology or BIO 168 Anatomy and Physiology I with a C or better. A biology course must be current within 5 years.
5. High school chemistry, CHM 131 General, Organic and Biochemistry, and CHM 131A Lab or CHM 151 with a C or better.
6. No grade lower than C is accepted for any course as it applies to the nursing program.
7. For questions: Contact the Nursing Department (704) 878-4260.

First Year- Fall Semester

	Course	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
NUR 111	Introduction to Health Concepts	4	6	6	8
NUR 117	Pharmacology	1	3	0	2
BIO 168	Anatomy and Physiology I	3	3	0	4
PSY 150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3

First Year- Spring Semester

	Course	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
NUR 112	Health Illness Concepts	3	0	6	5
NUR 114	Holistic Health Concepts	3	0	6	5
BIO 169	Anatomy and Physiology II	3	3	0	4
PSY 241	Developmental Psychology	3	0	0	3

Summer Semester

	Course	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
ENG 111	Expository Writing	3	0	0	3
BIO 275	Microbiology	3	3	0	4
HUM Elective	Choose One: ART 111 Art Appreciation ART 114 Art History Survey I ART 115 Art History Survey II HUM 115 Critical Thinking MUS 110 Music Appreciation, MUS 112 Introduction to Jazz PHI 215 Philosophical Issues PHI 240 Introduction to Ethics	3	0	0	3

Second Year- Fall Semester

	Course	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
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NUR 113	Family Health Concepts (12 weeks)	3	0	6	5
NUR 211	Health Care Concepts	3	0	6	5
NUR 212 AB	Health System Concepts (4 weeks)	0.75	0	1.5	1.25
ENG 112 OR ENG 114	Writing/Research in the Disciplines Professional Research and Reporting	3	0	0	3

Second Year- Spring Semester

	Course	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
NUR 212 BB	Health System Concepts (12 weeks)	2.25	0	4.5	3.75
NUR 213	Complex Health Concepts	4	3	15	10

Total Semester Credit Hours = 72

*Clinical days and times vary from week to week.

Students may take any of the non-nursing courses while waiting to apply to the program. Applications accepted January – February 15th each year. Meet with your pre-nursing advisor to complete the application for the A D N Program.

RN to BSN Uniform Articulation Agreement

Participating Universities:

UNC System RN to BSN Programs: Appalachian State, East Carolina University, Fayetteville State University, NC Agricultural and Technical University, NC Central University, UNC- Charlotte, UNC- Greensboro, UNC- Pembroke, UNC- Wilmington, Western Carolina, and Winston-Salem State University

Independent Colleges: Barton College, Cabarrus College of Health Sciences, Gardner-Webb University, Lees-McRae College, Lenoir-Rhyne University, Mars Hill University, Pfeiffer University, Queens University of Charlotte, University of Mount Olive, Wingate University

Block 1 (23 course credits)

Course Category	Transferrable Course	Semester Credit Hours
English	Required: ENG 111	3
	Second English: ENG 112 or 114	3
Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab	BIO 165 and BIO 166 or BIO 168 and BIO 169	4,4 (8)
Humanities/Fine Arts	Take 3 credits from: ART 111, PHI 215, PHI 240, HUM 115	3
Psychology	PSY 150 and PSY 241	3,3 (6)

Block 2 (18-19 course credits)

Course Category	Transferrable Course	Semester Credit Hours
English Literature	ENG 231 or ENG 232	3
History	Select one: HIS 111, 112, 131, 132	3
Fine Arts	Take 3 credits from: ART 114, ART 115 MUS 110, MUS 112	3
College Transfer Math	MAT 143 or MAT 171	3 or 4
Sociology	SOC 210 and select one additional: SOC 213, 220, 225, 230, 240	3,3 (6)

Block 3 (17-18 course credits)

Course Category	Transferrable Course	Semester Credit Hours
Statistics	MAT 152	4
Microbiology with Lab	BIO 175 or BIO 275	3 or 4
Chemistry with Lab	CHM 151 or CHM 130 and 130A Lab or CHM 131 and 131A Lab	4
Social Science Elective Additional Required Hours	Take 6 credits from the following courses: ECO 251, ECO 252 POL 120 COM 231 SPA 111, SPA 112 CIS 110 HUM 120	3,3 (6)

Each RN to BSN campus will develop, publish, and maintain on their website a RN to BSN degree plan that identifies specific degree requirements that are not part of the RN to BSN Associate of Art.

Block 4 (normally 30-34 credits) NUR Courses as taken as part of the AAS

Block 5 (normally 30-34 credits)