



Subject: Information for the Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge Program

Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the **Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge Program** at Mitchell Community College. Admission to the program is competitive, and the paper application is accepted from August 2 to September 30 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.
- Set an appointment with your 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 by your pre-nursing advisor).
- If eligible to apply, complete the additional, specific Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge Program application with your pre-nursing faculty advisor.

Please remember, completion of general college admission requirements does not constitute application to the Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge 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 Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge 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



Admission Requirements Paramedic to 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 guarantee admission to the Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge program. Admission into the Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge program is competitive. **This entry option is designed for the Associate Degree in Emergency Medical Science Paramedic to transition into the nursing role.** In addition to the College's requirements for admission, the following are minimum requirements for admission to the Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge 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 the College. Grades less than C are not transferable into the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
- 4. Required GPA:** Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 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. 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>. ATI TEAS Review Books may be purchased through the Mitchell Community College Bookstore.
- 6. Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge Program Application:** Applicant must complete Program Application with assigned pre-nursing advisor.
- 7. Valid, unrestricted North Carolina Paramedic certification or National Registry Paramedic Certification.**
- 8. 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
 - 2-step tuberculosis skin test, or negative Quantiferon Gold, or equivalent
 - One dose Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)/TD booster every 10 years
 - Annual influenza immunization (late fall)
 - Hepatitis B immunization
 - COVID vaccine or approved exemption
- 9. 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.
- 10. Background Check and Drug Screen:** Meet requirements as prescribed by clinical agencies.
- 11. Student must carry personal health insurance** (clinical agency requirement).

12. 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 Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge program. Admissions consideration begins August 2 of each year. Applications will be accepted until September 30 of each year. Qualified applicants will be ranked. Points will be awarded in several categories including: ATI 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 paramedic to nursing bridge program. Applicants must re-apply for each year they wish to be considered for admission.

Qualifications after successful completion of NUR 215 Paramedic to RN Bridge Concepts with a grade of B or better and completion of required general education coursework with grade C or better, the student will transition into the A45110 major. Credit will be articulated for NUR 111, 117, 112, and 114.

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 must be taken prior to entering the Nursing program with grade of C or better:

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

(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 Spring Semester	
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 215 (6 credit hours)	Nursing \$456
Student Activity Fee \$2.50 per credit hour (1-8)	\$15
Student Access Fee	\$25
Technology Fee \$3 per credit hour	\$18
Accident Insurance Fee	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Liability Insurance	\$13
Laptop Computer	\$350-400
CPR	\$40
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	\$57.50
MEA Lab Kit	\$72
Castlebranch Immunization Tracker	\$35
Castlebranch Background and Drug Screen	\$89.50
Books	\$600
Electronic Charting Package	\$130
MyClinicalExchange (myCE)	\$59.50 (18 month access)
Semester Total	\$2310.10

Summer Semester	No Nursing Classes
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour PSY 241 (3 credit hours) if not already done	General Education \$228
Student Access Fee	\$3 per credit hour
Technology Fee	\$3 per credit hour
Accident Insurance	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Semester Total	\$257.25

Second Year Fall Semester	
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 113, NUR 211 (10 credit hours) NUR 212A (1.25 credit hours)	Nursing \$855
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	\$57.50
Electronic Charting Package	\$130
Lab Fee NUR 113	\$20
Lab Fee NUR 211	\$20
Semester Total	\$1419.25

Second Year Spring Semester	
Tuition In State \$76 per credit hour NUR 212B (3.75 credit hours) NUR 213 (10 credit hours)	Nursing \$1045
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	\$41.25
Accident Insurance Fee	\$1.25
Administrative Fee	\$10
Kaplan Nursing	\$150
ExamSoft Testing Software	\$57.50
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	\$1693

An estimate of total program costs for the two years is approximately \$5700.00 (based on instate 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 the Assistant Financial Aid Director, at (704) 878-3254.

Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing A45110PB (2021-2022)
Competitive Admission Program
Pre-Nursing should be coded as A1030N
Associate in General Education- Nursing

To apply to the Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Bridge, student should:

1. Score minimum of 68 or higher on the ATI TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills).
2. Complete the A.A.S. Degree in Emergency Medical Science
3. GPA 2.0 or higher.
4. Valid, unrestricted North Carolina Paramedic certification or National Registry Paramedic Certification.
5. No grade lower than C is accepted for general education courses as they apply to the A45110PB program.

Prior coursework should include:

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

Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (Select 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

Applications accepted once a year in fall semester (August – September 30).
If accepted, suggested semester sequence includes:

Spring Semester (16 weeks) January- May

Course	Title	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
NUR 215	Paramedic to RN Bridge Concepts	3	3	6	6
PSY 241	Developmental Psychology (if not already completed)	3	0	0	3

Summer Semester (8 weeks) June-July

Course	Title	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
BIO 275	Microbiology	3	3	0	4
Elective	Approved elective (if not already completed)	3	0	0	3

Fall Semester (16 weeks) August- December

Course	Title	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
NUR 113	Family Health Concepts (12weeks)	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

Spring Semester (16 weeks) January- May

Course	Title	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

Students may take any of the non-nursing courses while waiting to apply to the program. Meet with your pre-nursing advisor to complete the application for the A45110 PB Program.

For questions: Contact the Nursing Department (704) 878-4260.

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)