

Aiken Technical College Diploma in Practical Nursing Information for Fall 2023 and Spring 2024

APPLICATION DUE: May 26, 2023 for Fall 2023; September 29, 2023 for Spring 2024

You must have electronic copies of all required documents
to attach and submit with the application!

Program Description:

The Diploma in Health Science Major in Practical Nursing Program prepares graduates to provide direct patient care in a safe, effective manner across multiple settings and prepares students for licensure examination for practical nurses (NCLEX-PN). The course of study includes both theory presentation and supervised clinical experiences at affiliating health care agencies. The Diploma in Applied Science: Major in Nursing Program is a candidate for accreditation by the **Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing** (3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, Phone 404-975-5000, Fax 404-975-5020, www.acenursing.org).

General Information:

- Applicants must have completed all prerequisite courses: BIO 210, BIO 211, ENG 101, MAT 120, and PSY 201, with a grade of “C” or better. Only the first or second attempted grades of the prerequisite courses taken within the last 10 years will be considered. The grade of a “W” or “WF” will count as an attempt. Please refer to the program display.
- Applicants to the program must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 (**considering all academic course work, including prerequisites, within the last 10 years**). Cumulative GPA will be calculated by ATC personnel upon receipt of application in accordance with the Nursing Division guidelines for GPA calculation.
- Applicants may not have achieved less than a “C” grade (D, F, W, or WF) in any two previously taken nursing courses within the last 5 years at any school (LPN or RN).
- Applicants must take the TEAS exam prior to application to the program. This standardized pre-nursing aptitude test is offered at the ATC Testing Center (803-508-7488). Please contact the ATC Testing Center for cost. The TEAS exam may be taken twice per academic year with a minimum of 30 days between attempts. The testing date must be within 3 years of the application deadline.
- Credit is awarded for eligible Advanced Placement (AP) coursework, provided valid proof of successfully passing the related AP exam. Credit is also awarded for non-ATC exemption exams such as CLEP or DANTES. **No admissions points are awarded for high school AP credit or for successful completion of a CLEP or DANTES examination.**
- Applicants whose first language is not English must submit official TOEFL scores. A minimum score of 78 on the computer-based exam is required to be eligible to apply to the nursing program. English as a Second Language (ESL) courses are strongly recommended.

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- A criminal background check is required prior to clinical rotations and repeated annually. Depending on the result of the background check, a student may not be able to participate in clinicals and may be withdrawn from the program.
- Once admitted to the program, students must ensure that all necessary official transcripts have been received by the College and submit documentation of the following: a physical exam, TB skin test or chest x-ray for previously positive TB skin tests, current immunizations, current Healthcare Provider CPR certification, and annual drug screening.
- Once admitted, students are required to have **reliable transportation** for clinical rotations. Clinical sites are assigned and are determined by availability at medical facilities.
- Applicants must be physically able to meet the requirements of all clinical areas.
- Attach all college transcripts to application.
- After the application date has passed, all applications meeting the minimum requirement are reviewed by the Nursing Admissions Committee. Spaces are allotted to those most qualified as determined by the point system on this application.
- Candidates earning equal points are ranked based on their cumulative GPA.
- Clinical rotations are required in Health Sciences and Nursing programs. Clinical sites may request students to follow protocols beyond what is required by Aiken Technical College, including COVID-19 vaccination.

Application Link:

<https://na4.docusign.net/Member/PowerFormSigning.aspx?PowerFormId=1f87c307-235c-4b92-9c43-776161c8296a&env=na4&acct=d201cf56-980b-479e-8c9f-a3a99c185b87&v=2>

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Practical Nursing Curriculum

Course Number	Course Name	Semester Credit Hours
<i>General Education Prerequisites</i>		
BIO 210	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 211	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
ENG 101	English Composition	3
MAT 120	Probability and Statistics	3
PSY 201	General Psychology	3
<i>Major Course Requirements</i>		
PNR 110	Fundamentals of Nursing	5
PNR 122	Pharmacology	3
PNR 128	Medical Surgical Nursing I	7
PNR 138	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	7
PNR 154	Maternal-Infant-Child Nursing	5
PNR 181	Medical Calculations	1
PNR 182	Special Topics in Nursing	2
Total Semester Credit Hours		47

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Name: _____ Student ID: _____ Date: _____

Mailing address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email address: _____ Phone number: _____

Are you applying for more than one nursing program?

If you are submitting an application for two nursing programs and are eligible for both (**separate applications are required**) please indicate the program you prefer:

_____ List below **all** colleges attended (including ATC) and attach copies of transcripts from **all** colleges attended (including ATC). All colleges **MUST** be listed and all transcripts **MUST** be attached.

_____ These prerequisite courses (**ENG 101, MAT 120, BIO 210, BIO 211, and PSY 201**) must be completed prior to submission of this application. Grades for these courses must be "C" or better to be considered, and **the courses must have been completed within the last 10 years.**

_____ Cumulative GPA is 2.5 or higher (**considering all academic course work, including prerequisites, within the last 10 years**). Unofficial GPA (calculated by student): _____

_____ TEAS test scores **MUST** be attached.

_____ Is English your first language? If no, you **MUST** attach TOEFL scores.

_____ Additional degrees/licenses/certifications are listed and a copy is attached.

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Scoring Matrix

Diploma in Practical Nursing Applicants will receive points based on the following criteria:

Point Values

Courses

First Attempt: A = 7 points; B = 5 points
 Second Attempt: A = 3 points; B = 2 points

Nursing Entrance Exam (TEAS)

90-100 = 5 pts 85-89 = 4 pts
 80-84 = 3 pts 75-79 = 2 pts 70-74 = 1 pt

Name: _____				ID: _____		
Requirement	Semester and Year	Grade	College	Attempt	Point Value	Points Earned
ENG 101					See above	
MAT 120					See above	
BIO 210					See above	
BIO 211					See above	
PSY 201						
TEAS Math					See above	
TEAS Reading					See above	
Completed 12 (or more) hours of college credit at ATC					1	
Bachelor's or Master's Degree					2	
Maximum Points = 41					Your total	

Admission to the College does not guarantee acceptance into the Nursing program. Students must reapply for entry into the program if not accepted.

I certify that I have completed this application truthfully to the best of my ability. I have read, understood, typed, completed, and attached all required documents. If I am found to have knowingly falsified information, my application will be disqualified. Also, if my application is incomplete, my application will be disqualified.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Application has been reviewed by:

Enrollment Services Signature: _____ Date: _____ GPA: _____

Nursing Department Signature: _____ Date: _____

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