

Nursing RN (with Practical Nurse Option) (AAS-NUR)

Program Locations: Bay Minette, Brewton, Fairhope, Monroeville, and Thomasville Campuses

Nursing and Allied Health Division

Length: Five Semesters

This is a full-time day program designed to prepare students to practice as competent registered nurses (RN) after passing the licensure exam. Students who successfully complete the first three semesters (45 credit hours) are awarded a Practical Nursing (PN) Certificate and are eligible to take the licensure exam to become an LPN. Licensure by the Boards of Nursing may be denied if an applicant has been convicted of a criminal offense, has abused drugs or alcohol, has a history of chemical dependency or mental illness, has been placed on the federal abuse registry, or has been administratively discharged from the armed services.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Unconditional admittance to the College and active student in good standing (minimum 2.0 GPA).
2. Submit original transcripts from all colleges attended and high school transcript to the registrar or admissions by application deadline.
3. Submit a completed Associate Degree Nursing Program Application by stated deadline.
4. Hold a minimum GPA of 2.5 for the academic core courses in the program or cumulative 2.5 GPA if a high school student without prior college coursework.
5. Submit a minimum composite score of 18 on ACT.
6. Must be eligible to take ENG 101, MTH 100, and BIO 201, if not already completed with a grade of C or higher.
7. Meet essential eligibility criteria

Completion of the above requirements does not guarantee admission to the program. Prospective students are rank ordered using a point system to determine acceptance to the program.

Students are selected based on the following point system:

1. Score on ACT with a minimum composite score of 18 required
2. Three points are awarded for an A, two for a B, and one for a C in ENG 101, MTH 100, BIO 201, and BIO 202.
3. One point each is awarded for completion of PSY 210, SPH 106 or 107, BIO 220, and a Humanities course with a C or higher.
4. Three points are awarded for completion of a higher level Math or Chemistry with a C or higher (MTH 116, Mathematical Applications, is not a higher level Math course). Alternately, three extra points may be awarded for current certification in a health occupation that requires direct contact with patients, such as Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), Certified Medical Assistant, Licensed Basic or Advanced EMT, Certified Dental Assistant, Certified Veterinary Technician, Certified Phlebotomist, or Certified Surgical Technologist. Proof (Copy of the certificate of completion) must be included with the application in order to receive extra points. Applicants may receive up to 3 extra points total for this section. Example: Applicants will NOT receive 3 points for a higher-level math and 3 points for being a CNA.
5. Three points are awarded for completion of all eight general education courses required in the nursing program with a C or higher prior to the application deadline.
6. All applicable courses must be completed by application deadline in order to be awarded points.

Once selected for the program, students are required to provide the following: drug screen, background check, physical exam showing ability to meet essential eligibility criteria, records of immunizations, proof of medical insurance and American Heart Association BLS CPR certification for the healthcare provider. All nursing courses must be passed with a

minimum of 75 (C) in order to progress in the program. A nursing testing fee will be assessed each semester.

*Note: Students desiring to obtain BLS CPR certification at Coastal may enroll in EMS 100 during the first semester of the Nursing Program.

It is highly recommended that students take the general education courses prior to beginning the nursing coursework.

This is a career program designed for students to go directly into the labor market upon completion. Although some of the courses in this program will transfer to four-year institutions, this program is not designed to be a transfer program of study; therefore, it is not subject to the terms and conditions of Alabama Transfers state transfer and articulation reporting system.

ACCREDITATION: The Associate Degree and Practical Nursing programs of Coastal Alabama Community College are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and approved by the Alabama Board of Nursing (ABN).

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Coastal Alabama Community College's Simulation Program has been awarded full accreditation by the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH) in the areas of Teaching/Education. This status has been granted from November 10, 2023, through December 31, 2028. The mission of the Simulation Program at Coastal Alabama Community College is to prepare all learners to be competent in providing safe patient care within the global community.

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Subject: Nursing and Allied Health

Type: A.A.S.

Suggested Prior to Program Admission

It is suggested that students complete general education courses required for the associate degree nursing program prior to program admission. Please note that Math 116, Mathematical Applications, does not fulfill the Math requirement. ORI 101, Orientation to College will be required for first time college students. SPH 106 or 107 fulfills the Speech requirement.

Item #	Title	Credits
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
	BIO 103 or BIO 201	4
	MTH 100 or more advanced	3
	SPH 106 or SPH 107	3

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*A higher level math or chemistry may be taken to obtain extra points toward admittance to the program, but are not required.

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 220	General Microbiology	4
PSY 210	Human Growth and Development	3
	BIO 201 or BIO 202	4
	Humanities and Fine Arts Elective (I)	3
	Math or Chem Elective	0-4

SEMESTER ONE

MTH 100, or more advanced Math, and BIO 201 are required if not already completed with a C or higher. Please note that MTH 116, Mathematical Applications, does not fulfill the Math requirement.

EMS 100 is an optional course for students to pursue CPR certification for the healthcare provider.

Item #	Title	Credits
EMS 100	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation I	1
BIO 201	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
	MTH 100 or more advanced	3
NUR 112	Fundamental Concepts of Nursing	7

SEMESTER TWO

ENG 101, PSY 210, and BIO 202 are required if not already completed with a C or higher.

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 202	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
NUR 113	Nursing Concepts I	8
PSY 210	Human Growth and Development	3

SEMESTER THREE

SPH 106 or 107 is required if not already completed with a C or higher.

Item #	Title	Credits
NUR 114	Nursing Concepts II	8
NUR 115	Evidence Based Clinical Reasoning	2
	SPH 106 or SPH 107	3

SEMESTER FOUR

BIO 220 is required if not already completed with a C or higher. BIO 220 is not a requirement of the Practical Nursing Certificate.

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 220	General Microbiology	4
NUR 211	Advanced Nursing Concepts	7

SEMESTER FIVE

A Humanities and Fine Arts elective is required if not already completed with a C or higher. This elective is not required for a Practical Nursing Certificate.

Item #	Title	Credits
NUR 221	Advanced Evidence Based Clinical Reasoning	7
	Humanities and Fine Arts Elective (I)	3
	Total credits:	66