

# Nursing

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Southern Arkansas University Tech's Nursing Programs are fully approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing. Our LPN/Paramedic to RN Program offers an accelerated path for LPNs and paramedics to use their education and experience to further their degrees. This degree program, prepares graduates to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) and to function as a Registered Nurse. This is a 9-month program that incorporates classroom instruction, online education along with clinical experiences which prepare graduates to practice at entry level RN positions in a variety of settings ranging from inpatient, outpatient, long term, or community-based nursing.

## Program Goal

Prepare graduates to practice at entry-level RN positions in a variety of settings.

## Program Outcomes

1. Use safe and effective nursing interventions that promote, maintains, and restore the health of culturally and ethnically diverse individuals, families, and families in communities throughout the lifespan as evidenced by scores of  $\geq 76\%$  on written examinations and meeting clinical objectives.
2. Use therapeutic nursing interventions that provide and direct nursing care of the client that will incorporate the knowledge of expected growth and development principles; the prevention and/or early detection of health problems, and strategies to provide the education required to achieve optimal health for clients throughout the lifespan as evidenced by scores of  $\geq 76\%$  on written examinations and meeting clinical objectives.
3. Provide and direct nursing care that promotes and supports the emotional, mental and social well-being of the client experiencing stressful events as well as clients with acute or chronic mental illness as evidenced by scores of  $\geq 76\%$  on written examinations and meeting clinical objectives.
4. Be able to educate individuals, families and families in communities on physical health and wellness by reducing client risk potential and managing health alterations as evidenced by scores of  $\geq 76\%$  on written examinations and meeting clinical objectives.
5. Be able to communicate and collaborate with members of the health care team to provide and improve delivery of health care as evidenced by scores of  $\geq 76\%$  on clinical evaluations and written exams.



DEGREE PLAN  
2020-2021

## Developmental Coursework

Course Number	Course Title
CO0143	Introduction to Language Arts
CO0243	Writing Workshop
MATH0133	Transitional Math I
MATH0233	Transitional Math II

## General Education Requirements (37 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
<sup>1</sup> BIOL2003	N/A	Nutrition and Diet [P1]
<sup>1</sup> BI2234	BIOL2004	Microbiology with Lab [P2]
<sup>1</sup> BIOL2063/BIOL2061	BIOL2404	Anatomy & Physiology I w/Lab [P2]
<sup>1</sup> BIOL2073/BIOL2071	BIOL2414	Anatomy & Physiology II w/Lab [P1]
<sup>1</sup> CHEM1064	CHEM1214	General Chemistry for Nursing w/Lab [P5]
<sup>1</sup> ENGL1113	ENGL1013	Composition I [P3]
<sup>1</sup> ENGL1123	ENGL1023	Composition II [P4]
<sup>1</sup> MATH1073	N/A	Math for Healthcare Professionals [P3]
<sup>1</sup> MIS1003	CPSI1003	Introduction to Computers
<sup>1</sup> PSYC2003	PSYC1103	General Psychology
<sup>1</sup> PSYC2103	PSYC2103	Developmental Psychology

## Extended Summer Semester (12 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
RN1006	N/A	Registered Nursing Process I
RN1016	N/A	Registered Nursing Practicum I

## Fall Semester (12 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
RN1026	N/A	Registered Nursing Process II
RN1036	N/A	Registered Nursing Practicum II

## Spring Semester (12 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
RN2006	N/A	Registered Nursing Process III
RN2016	N/A	Registered Nursing Practicum III

## PREREQUISITES

P1	BIOL2063 & BIOL2061-Anatomy & Physiology I and Anatomy & Physiology I Lab.
P2	Eligible for ENGL1113-Composition I.
P3	Refer to SAU Tech's Placement Plan.
P4	ENGL1113-Composition I.
P5	Eligible for ENGL1113-Composition I and MATH1023-College Algebra.

<sup>1</sup>Indicates Technical Certificate in **Health Sciences**.

6. The ability to critically think using a problem solving process that is both goal directed and ethically based on standards of nursing practice as evidenced by scores of  $\geq 76\%$  on written examinations and meeting clinical objectives.

#### **General Information**

- Developmental coursework may be required in addition to the courses required for this degree and/or certificate(s).
- A [P] indicates that a prerequisite is required before the course can be taken. Refer to the prerequisites table listed below the degree plan or the course description in the College Catalog to determine the prerequisite.

#### **General Requirements**

- This degree requires successful completion of 73 credit hours.
- All degree-seeking students are required to take Student Success. This course does not count toward credit requirements of associate degrees or certificates.
- A minimum 2.00 cumulative grade point average is required for graduation.

#### **ACTS Course Numbers**

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. Students are guaranteed the transfer of applicable credits and equitable treatment in the application of credits for admissions and degree requirements. Go to <http://acts.adhe.edu> for more information.