

Nursing

Degree Type

Associate in Applied Science

Type

Career

Division of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

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The integrated curriculum includes learning experiences in medical, surgical, pediatric, obstetric, geriatric, psychiatric and community settings. Clinical experience is provided in hospitals in Corning, Elmira, Sayre, Montour Falls, Troy and at other health care agencies throughout the area during day, evening, and weekend hours. Students are responsible for their own transportation to clinical agencies and are expected to rotate agencies each semester.

Graduates will be able to:

- Integrate theoretical knowledge of nursing and implements patient-centered nursing care through interdisciplinary teamwork, therapeutic communication, clinical judgment, professional standards of safe care, and the nursing process.
- Model professional standards of practice within an ethical and legal framework to provide safe, competent, quality care.
- Demonstrate a commitment to the nursing profession by analysis of own personal growth and professional development while functioning to achieve and promote desired health outcomes.
- Facilitate communication with patients, families and communities through the use of informatics and technology in the healthcare system to provide established standards of care that incorporate evidence based professional practice.
- Provide patient-centered care for a diverse population across the life span integrating knowledge from the sciences and critical thinking to provide safe and competent nursing care.

Successful completion of this program enables graduates to take the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurse (NCLEX). This program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN) and registered by the New York State Education Department and the State Board of Regents.

Admission to the Nursing program does not guarantee eligibility to register into the first nursing course. Registration into nursing courses is on a space-available basis.

Eligibility and Steps:

- A **minimum cumulative** Grade Point Average of 2.75 is required to submit an application.
- High School Transcript or GED Certificate
- TEAS Admission Assessment score of 62% or higher (within the past two years)
- Students must have completed **ALL** AAS Nursing prerequisite courses in the fall or winter term prior to the submission of the nursing application in the spring semester.
- Students must have completed all developmental courses (see prerequisites below), place in ENGL 1010 based on CCC assessments tests, and must be eligible to take MATH 1150 or higher by assessment tests.
- Students must successfully complete courses in biology either in high school (with a grade of 75% or its letter grade equivalent or higher) or in college (with a grade of C or higher) within the past 5 years.
- Students must successfully complete courses in chemistry either in high school (with a grade of 75% or its letter grade equivalent or higher) or in college (with a grade of C or higher).

Once admitted requirements include:

- Results of a criminal background check
- Results of Pennsylvania child abuse screening
- Proof of current American Heart Association BLS certification
- Completion of the "Technical Standards" of the Nursing program form
- Submission of required health form information, physical exam, immunizations and titers
- Attend mandatory in-person Boot Camp (one week prior to the start of fall classes)

Students are required to meet the criteria set by the clinical agencies. This includes health form components, background check and/or child abuse check. In addition, students will be required to have COVID-19 vaccine, Influenza vaccines, TB, and PPD as part of their clinical lab requirement. An applicant who has been convicted of a felony may not be allowed to take the NCLEX. For more information, contact the Nurse Education Department Director. Students entering the Nursing program will need to know basic keyboarding and computer use. CCC offers both of these courses.

Nursing courses, specifically NURS 1200, 1300, 1600, 1650, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2400, 2600 have a shelf life of two years. If a student is unsuccessful in any of the clinical nursing courses, NURS 1200, 1300, 1600, 1650, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2400, 2600 they would have the opportunity to re-apply for admission to the Nurse Education Department requesting the chance to repeat the course. Re-entry applications are only available through the Nurse Education Department. Students are only allowed to repeat one clinical nursing course. Students must complete the sequence of nursing courses within four years of beginning their first nursing course.

Prerequisite Courses:

Developmental Courses: Any developmental courses will need to be completed successfully prior to submission of the Nursing Application.

Math: Must be eligible to take MATH 1150 or higher by assessment test.

Science: See chart below.

	If never taken in high school, or if taken more than 5 years prior to admission, then:	If taken in high school and received less than a final grade 75% OR took in college and received less than a final grade of "C", or completed more than 5 years prior (regardless of grade), then:	If taken in high school and received a final grade of 75% or greater OR taken in college and received a final grade of "C" or higher, within the past 5 years, then:
Science			
Biology	Must take BIOL 1020, 1050, or 1510 with a grade of "C" or higher.	Must take BIOL 1020, 1050, or 1510 with a grade of "C" or higher.	Prerequisite is met.
Chemistry	Must take CHEM 1020 or 1510 and pass with a grade of "C" or higher.	Must take CHEM 1020 or 1510 and pass with a grade of "C" or higher	Prerequisite is met.

Program Requirements

Item #	Title	Credits
ENGL 1110	College Communication	3
ENGL 1020	College Composition II	3
	MATH 1150 or higher	3
PSYC 1101	Introduction to Psychological Science	3
PHIL 1300	Ethics and Current Moral Issues	3
BIOL 1210	Principles of Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIOL 1220	Principles of Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIOL 2010	Microbiology	4
NURS 1200	Fundamentals/Health Assessment	3
NURS 1300	Introductory Medical-Surgical Nursing	4
NURS 1600	Medical-Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS 1650	Behavioral Health Nursing	3
NURS 1675	Pharmacology for Nursing	3
NURS 2200	Maternal-Child Nursing	3
NURS 2250	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	6
NURS 2300	Transition to Practice	2
NURS 2400	Population Health/Leadership in Nursing	3
NURS 2600	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing	5
	Total Credits	64

Course Sequencing

First Semester

Intended as a guide for academic planning. It need not be followed exactly or completed in four semesters.

Item #	Title	Credits
ENGL 1110	College Communication	3
	BIOL 1210 or 2020	4
	MATH 1150 or higher	3
NURS 1200	Fundamentals/Health Assessment	3
NURS 1300	Introductory Medical-Surgical Nursing	4

Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
ENGL 1020	College Composition II	3
	BIOL 1220 or 2030	4
NURS 1600	Medical-Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS 1650	Behavioral Health Nursing	3
NURS 1675	Pharmacology for Nursing	3

Third Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
BIOL 2010	Microbiology	4
PSYC 1101	Introduction to Psychological Science	3
NURS 2200	Maternal-Child Nursing	3
NURS 2250	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	6

Fourth Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
PHIL 1300	Ethics and Current Moral Issues	3
NURS 2300	Transition to Practice	2
NURS 2400	Population Health/Leadership in Nursing	3
NURS 2600	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing	5

Footnotes

*Based on placement, students might be required to successfully complete preparatory course(s) and prerequisite courses before attempting further course or program requirements.

1. Biology Courses: BIOL 1210 (Principles of Anatomy & Physiology I) **must be** taken prior to or concurrently with NURS 1200 & NURS 1300. BIOL 1220 (Principles of Anatomy & Physiology II) **must be** taken prior to or concurrently with NURS 1600 & NURS 1650. BIOL 2010 (Microbiology) must be taken prior to or concurrently with NURS 2200 & NURS 2250. All lab science program requirements must be completed with a grade of C (75%) or higher and be completed prior to entering NURS 2400 & NURS 2600.

2. A grade of C+ (77%) or better in a nursing course is necessary to continue to the next nursing course. Students who fail to provide safe and satisfactory patient care may be dropped from nursing courses and assigned a final grade of "D" or "F" at any time during the semester. Students who are unsuccessful in any nursing course with a clinical component must submit a re-entry application to the Department of Nurse Education requesting a second opportunity to complete the program. An unsuccessful attempt is defined as: completion of a course with a grade of "D", or withdrawal from a course. Students must submit the re-entry application by March 1st for returning in the fall semester and September 1st for returning in the spring semester. Failure to meet the deadline will result in the non-approval of the student's application, and the student will need to wait until the following year. Readmission to nursing courses is on a space-available basis determined following the last nursing exam of the semester – students will be notified by the Nurse Education Department.

Successful completion of dosage and calculation competency with a score of 100%, and all previous skills learned, must be demonstrated in the Nursing Lab with faculty **before** a student can register for classes. For re-entering students, credits previously earned for nursing courses with clinical components are valid for two years. After two years previously passed nursing courses will need to be repeated. Only one nursing course can be repeated. Readmission applications are available in the Nurse Education Department. The Nursing program must be completed within four years of beginning the first nursing course.

3. Evidence of certification in AHA-BLS CPR must be maintained throughout the program and evidence submitted to the Nurse Education Department. The **ONLY** acceptable CPR courses are American Heart Association course "BLS Provider." No other CPR certification will be accepted. Verification of an updated CPR certification will be monitored throughout each nursing course. Lapses in certification can lead to unsuccessful completion of a nursing course.

4. All prerequisite courses for the Nursing Program must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

5. All nursing program courses must be completed with a grade of C+ (77%) or higher.