



DAYTONA STATE COLLEGE

School of Nursing Associate Degree Nursing (ADN)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ's) Calendar Year: 2020-2021

Is the Associate Degree in Nursing program accredited?

Yes. The Associate Degree Nursing Program is nationally accredited through the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA, 30326, phone (404) 975-5000, <http://www.acenursing.org/>.

How do I apply?

Please refer to the current '[ADN How to Apply Guide](#)' for step by step instructions and guidelines.

When do you accept nursing applications?

We accept nursing applications every business day during the month of **May** (May 1st to May 31st) for classes starting in **August** and every business day during the month of **September** (September 1st to September 30th) for classes starting in **January**.

May I mail in my application?

No. Applications must be submitted in person at the Academic Advising office on any campus for review and signature. Official transcripts from all schools attended must be received in the Admissions office by the application deadline.

May I apply to the ADN And LPN programs at the same time?

No, you may only apply to one nursing program at a time.

How do you select your applicants?

Selection is based on a point system. The applicants with the highest cumulative points are the students accepted into the program. Please refer to the current '[ADN How to Apply Guide](#)' for information regarding the point system.

Is there a waitlist to be admitted?

No. We do not keep a waiting list. Students who are not accepted may reapply during the next application period.

How many students do you admit to the program per semester?

We admit 150 students to the generic track Associate Degree Nursing Program each fall and spring semester. We admit 30 students to the Transition into Professional Nursing track each fall and spring semester.

How many applications do you receive per application period for the associate degree in nursing program?

We may receive 250 + applications during each application session, however the number of applications varies each cycle.

If I meet the minimum requirements to apply, am I guaranteed acceptance into the program?

No. Satisfying the minimum requirements of a 2.5 cumulative GPA and completion of all prerequisite courses does not guarantee admission. This is a limited access program.

When will I know if I have been admitted?

Acceptance and denial letters will be mailed approximately four to six weeks after each application deadline.

Is there a Nursing Application Fee?

No. There is no fee to apply for the nursing program.

Do you require an entrance test?

Yes. We require the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) for the Nursing Program. Please review the [TEAS test information sheet](#) for minimum scores and requirements.

Do I need to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) before I apply?

Yes. Passing TEAS results report must be submitted with the nursing application. Please visit the [Assessment Services](#) webpage for scheduling of the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS).

Can I use TEAS scores from another institution?

No. Unfortunately, we do not accept TEAS test scores from another institution. Applicants are required to take the TEAS test in Assessment Services at a Daytona State College campus. For more information on the TEAS, visit Daytona State College's [Assessment Services](#) page.

Do nursing pre- or co-requisite courses expire?

No. Currently, pre-, and co-requisite courses taken or transferred towards our nursing program do not expire.

Can I repeat a course to improve my chances to be accepted into the nursing program?

No. Students are not permitted to repeat courses in which a grade of "C" or better was earned. This includes a grade of "C" or better transferred in from another institution. See the [Course Repeat](#) policy for further information.

What is your Tuition and additional fees for the nursing program?

The tuition below reflects nursing core classes only. For further information please visit DSC'S [Tuition and Fees](#) page.

As of spring 2021, In-State tuition is \$102.38 per credit hour and Out-of-State tuition is \$398.65 per credit hour. There are 42 credit hours for nursing core classes and tuition for in-state is \$4,299 and tuition for Out-of-State is \$16,743.30.

These are the approximate additional costs:

Nursing Laboratory and Technology Fees (including liability insurance): Average \$275 per semester

Textbook Estimate: \$1,000

Uniforms: \$150

Laboratory Supplies: \$225

NCLEX Exam: \$435

Background Check/ Drug Screening/ Document Tracker: \$120

Annual drug test re-check: \$38 (per clinical site requirement, additional drug test re-check may be needed)

What is the schedule like?

Our DAY program offers classes 3-4 days/week, Tuesday-Friday from approximately 7:00 am-3:30 pm and may be on any campus including: **Daytona, DeLand, Deltona, New Smyrna Beach and Palm Coast.**

Our EVENING program offers classes on the **Daytona campus**, 3-4 days/week Monday-Thursday from approximately 2:00 pm-11:00 pm.

Schedules include lecture, lab, and clinical hours. Clinical experiences are provided at local extended care facilities, hospitals, and other community agencies in Volusia and Flagler counties.

Course days and times are subject to change.

What courses do I need to take prior to applying to the Nursing program?

The prerequisite courses required prior to applying to the program (completed with a C or better) are:

- Human Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab (BSC1085C)
- General Psychology (PSY1012)
- College Algebra or (MAC1105) or Survey in Mathematics (MGF2106)
- Introduction to Composition* (ENC1101)

General Education Courses (co-requisites) (grade of "C" or better)

- Microbiology and Lab (MCB1010C)
- Human Anatomy & Physiology II and Lab (BSC1086C)
- Oral Communications* (SPC2608)
- Writing with Research* (ENC1102)
- Humanities/Art/Literature*: **for the September 2020 admission cycle, complete one core course which begins with AML, ARH, DAN, HUM, LIT, MUH, MUL, PHI**

Florida public schools AA graduates or regionally accredited BA/BS receive credit for these courses

Transfer credits (CR), AA/Bachelor, AP, CLEP and IB are considered as "A" s

If I have an AA OR BA with a grade of C+ or B in the courses with an asterisk, will I receive a credit of an A?

No. Only students with Transfer credits (CR) and those who have earned accelerated learning credits through Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and College Level Examination Program (CLEP) will receive an "A" grade. Florida public schools AA graduates or regionally accredited BA/BS graduates will receive an "A" grade for these courses **unless** a grade has been given. Official transcript/score report must be sent to the Records office for evaluation.

Is there a clinical component or practicum training required for the program?

Yes, clinical experiences are provided at local extended care facilities, hospitals, and other community agencies.

Can I choose where to go for clinical?

No. Clinical rotation site and location will be provided to students by the instructor the first day of classes.

Is there a physical examination and/or immunizations required prior to the start of the program?

Yes, completion of health screening prior to the start of the program includes: recent physical examination; verification of immunization against influenza, tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella, varicella and Hepatitis 'B'; and PPD test for tuberculosis (or chest X-ray if indicated) is required prior to enrolling in program specific courses.

Is a background screening required prior to the start of this program?

Yes, students must have a cleared Level II background check consisting of a fingerprint check of state and federal criminal history information conducted through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to maintain acceptance in the nursing program.

Is a drug test required to prior to the start of this program?

Yes, students must have a negative drug screening to maintain acceptance in the nursing program. Daytona State College School of Nursing complies with all clinical site requirements and restrictions with regards to medical marijuana use and any positive drug screen that may be deemed ineligible by any clinical site.

What are the employment opportunities for registered nurses?

Healthcare employment opportunities are available in long-term care, home health, hospital, and outpatient settings.

What is the average salary that one can earn upon graduating from this program?

The average salary for an entry-level registered nurse is approximately \$22 to \$24 per hour in Volusia and Flagler counties.

Is there a board examination I must take upon completion of the program?

After earning an Associate Degree in Nursing, the graduate is eligible to take the national examination (NCLEX) for licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Where can I find more information about the Associate Degree Nursing Program?

Please visit our nursing page for more information: <http://www.daytonastate.edu/nursing/adn.html>