

Associate of Science in Nursing ASN Program Transitions Track

The Associate of Science in Nursing program, transition track, is a limited admissions, accelerated face to face program designed for individuals who already possess a healthcare license (Paramedic, Military Medic, LPN, or Respiratory Therapist) and have considerable experience in healthcare. Students who meet the criteria for the transitions track who have limited acute care experience are encouraged to apply for the generic nursing track. Student must meet the following admission criteria to be eligible to apply:

- Maintain a minimum, overall GPA of 2.5
- Achieve a minimum of 70 on the ATI TEAS exam
- Complete all pre-requisites with a grade of C or better
- Submission of current license for a profession listed

All prerequisite science and math courses must be taken in less than 7 years from the time of application, unless currently practicing as an LPN, EMT, Respiratory Therapist or military medic. (must be verified on form DD214)

• Students may not repeat a prerequisite science or math course more than once to be considered for acceptance.

ATI TEAS Exam:

- Students must register and take the TEAS exam prior to applying to the nursing program.
- Scores must be from the last 2 years.
- Financial aid does not cover the TEAS exam, cost for the exam and restrictions on how often a student may take the exam are found on the polk.edu nursing webpage listed below.
- Students must take the TEAS Exam at an *in-person testing site;* online proctored TEAS exam scores are not accepted.
- See the ASN page at <u>polk.edu/nursing/associate-in-science.com</u> for instructions on how to register and ensure Polk State receives your scores. Students must register via the Polk Continuing Education page to be eligible for any current student discounts.

Admission:

In addition to the Polk State College application, all applicants must apply to the Nursing program with an application through ETRIEVE *(select forms, then the nursing tab)*. Application windows are as follows:

Fall Semester Start:

- Early Admissions: January 15 March 1
- Late Admissions: March 15 March 25

Spring Semester Start:

- Early Admissions: June 1 September 1
- Late Admissions: October 15 October 25
- Applicants will be notified via their <u>@my.polk.edu email address</u> regarding full admission, conditional admission, or non-admittance within 4 weeks of the close of the application window.
- In order to reserve your spot in the program, students must complete an attestation and Level 2 Background check *(instructions will be attached to your admission email).*
- Students will also be notified of a mandatory in-person orientation on the Lakeland or Winter Haven Campus.
 Students who <u>do not</u> attend the orientation, regardless of admission, attestation, or background check completion, <u>will not</u> be eligible to begin the program that semester.

Nursing Clinical Compliance:

All accepted students who have attended the in-person orientation will be enrolled in the Canvas Clinical Compliance Course. Please monitor this course for important announcements, compliance deadlines, and other communications.

Advising:

Once the student has been accepted to the nursing program, our academic advisor for nursing, Mrs. Jeanette Grullon, will assist students with questions regarding background check, and registration. Mrs. Grullon's email is jgrullon@polk.edu, phone number 863-292-3738.

Co-requisites and Course Progression:

• See progression plan on the following page. All courses must be completed with a C or better.

Accreditation: The ASN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN): 3390 PEACHTREE RD NE, SUITE 1400, ATLANTA, GA 30326. Phone: 404.975.5000

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours	Course Status	Comments
Prerequisite Courses: Complete before applying to the nursing program (must be completed with a C or better)				
ENC 1101	English Composition I	3		
PSY 2012	General Psychology	3		
BSC 2085C	Anatomy & Physiology I w/lab	4		
BSC 2086C	Anatomy & Physiology II w/lab	4		
HUN 1201	Principles of Nutrition	3		
DEP 2004	Human Growth & Development	3		
MCB 2010C	Microbiology w/lab	4		
One Math Course:	 MAC 1105 College Algebra (or higher level MAC Course) MGF 1106 Topics in Math MGF 1130 Mathematical Thinking STA 2023 Intro to Statistics 	3		
Co-requisite Courses: students are strongly encouraged to complete this courses prior to admission (must be completed with a C or better)				
HUM 2020	Introduction to Humanities	3		*Must be taken prior to NUR2744C
Civic Literacy Requirement: May take in the summer or prior to NUR2744C				
Option 1:	 Completion of one of the following: AMH 1010 History of the U.S. 1607-1877 AMH 1020 History of the U.S. 1877-present POS 2041 American National Gov't. 	3		
	AND Completion of the Florida Civic Literacy exam with a score of 60% or greater			
Option 2:	 Complete one of the following assessments with the score indicated: The Advanced Placement (AP) Exam in U.S. Government and Politics with a score of three or better. The Advanced Placement (AP) Exam in United States History with a score of four or better. The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) American Government Exam with a score of 50 or better. 			
Nursing Class	es – Transitions Track			
NUR 2912	Current license and/or certification	10	Upon admission and once the student is enrolled in the program, ten credits are awarded for holding a current unrestricted license and/or certification. This course number (NUR2912) is used to post credits for the prior healthcare license or certificate that made the Transition student eligible for the program.	
NUR 1051C*	Health Professional to RN: Transition 1	8		*must be taken with NUR1140C
NUR 1140C*	Pharmacology	3		*must be taken with NUR1051C
NUR 2600C	Nursing of the Family	8		
NUR 2744C	Advanced Comprehensive Nursing Care	10		
General Ed. Core Req.23 creditsNursing Co-Requisites10 creditsASN Nursing Courses39 creditsTotal credits for ASN degree**72 credits**Civic Literacy requirement is not counted in degree totals above				Any General Education classes taken outside of Polk State college must be evaluated and pre-approved by the registrar and be fulfilled at a regionally accredited college or university

Polk State Associate Degree in Nursing – Transition Track - Progression Plan