

Associate of Science in Nursing**Generic Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program****(For All Qualified Applicants Regardless of Current Healthcare Licensure)**

The **Generic** option of the **ADN program** is a pre-licensure program designed for individuals without a prior healthcare license. However, individuals with other healthcare licensure may choose to enroll in this option. Once pre-requisite courses are completed, the Generic ADN program can be finished in four semesters. After successful completion of the ADN program, graduates will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) to obtain a license to practice as a registered nurse. See reverse side for a typical program schedule, pre-requisite courses, and other non-nursing course requirements.

Accreditation: The ADN 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

Job Opportunities and Potential Salary: There are many opportunities for employment for registered nurses in our community, including hospitals, clinics, home healthcare, and long-term care facilities. According to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the entry-level annual salary for a registered nurse is approximately \$54,000.

Program Costs: The total cost for the ADN program is approximately \$14,000, which includes tuition, fees, textbooks for all courses, including prerequisite courses, uniforms, testing fees, and other related expenses.

Application Process: Application for admission to the ADN program is a separate process from application and admission to Polk State College. Individuals must have completed or be enrolled in the final required pre-requisite courses at the time of application. Official transcripts of courses taken from other schools must be sent to the Registrar prior to application. The application windows are as follows: May 15th-31st (Fall start) and August 15-31st (Spring start). Prospective students are encouraged to review the information found on the nursing website: <https://www.polk.edu/nursing/associate-of-science>

Program Admission Requirements: The Nursing Program is a competitive, limited-admission program. *Most admitted students have ATI TEAS scores above 75 and GPAs above 3.0 with pre- and co-requisites completed.*

- Minimum overall GPA of 2.5.
- Achieve a minimum score of 70 on the Assessment Technologies Institute Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS). To register for the TEAS, visit: <https://www.polk.edu/nursing/associate-of-science/>
- Complete all prerequisite courses with a GPA of 2.5 or better in each course (or the courses must be in-progress at the time of application and successfully completed prior to matriculation).
(Note: Prerequisite science courses must be taken less than seven years prior unless the individual is currently practicing as a respiratory therapist, licensed practical nurse (LPN), paramedic, or military medic (as verified on the DD 214 Form, Member Copy 4)).

Typical Schedule: Classes meet on Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs on campus for eight hours each day. Lab hours and clinical days are in addition to classes. The clinical day can be any day of the week, including weekends, and/or evenings and are randomly assigned per course. Clinicals are held in Polk County and surrounding areas. Reliable personal transportation is a must. The Generic ADN program runs fall and spring semesters with summer semesters off.

Graduate Success: Polk State ADN graduates are prepared for the NCLEX-RN licensing exam and are highly sought after by local employers upon graduation. Our graduates consistently exceed the state and national passing averages on the NCLEX-RN licensing exam.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Completion: Graduates are encouraged to continue with the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) program, as many employers now require the BSN degree for as a condition of continued employment. For more information, see <https://www.polk.edu/nursing/bachelor-of-science>.

Curriculum Plan for Required Non-Nursing Courses for Generic ADN Program Option

Pre-Requisite Courses (Required to be Completed Before Admission)		
Course Number	Course Title	Credits
BSC 2085C	Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 with Lab	4
BSC 2086C	Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 with Lab Required pre-requisite for Spring 2023 application cycle	4
ENC 1101	College Composition 1	3
MGF 1106 <i>or</i> MAC 1105 (or higher) <i>or</i> STA 2023*	Topics in Mathematics <i>or</i> College Algebra <i>or</i> Statistics (*pre-requisite for RN-BSN course NUR 4775)	3
PSY 2012	General Psychology	3
HUN 1201	Principles of Nutrition	3
Additional Non-Nursing Required Courses that may be Concurrent with Nursing Courses (Strongly Advised to Complete Before Admission into the Program or During Summer Term)		
Course Number	Course Title (Term to be taken if not previously completed)	Credits
MCB 2010C	Microbiology with Lab (with Nursing 2)	4
DEP 2004	Human Development (with Nursing 2)	3
HUM 2020	Humanities (with Nursing 3)	3
AMH 1020 OR POS 2041	Civic Literacy (with Nursing 4) *Beginning Fall 2022	3
BSN Preparation – Please see the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) program information		

Information Contact: For additional information, please contact an academic advisor on any of the College campuses or see the website at www.polk.edu/nursing.

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