

# Central Alabama Community College Associate Degree in Nursing

#### Overview

Registered Nurses (RN) are responsible for gathering information about patients using communication, physical assessment, and analytical skills; administering medications; performing invasive and non-invasive procedures; communicating with patients and their family members, peers, and other health care professionals in an effective manner; and teaching patients and their families to promote or restore health. Nurses must respect the rights and dignity of individuals and display exceptional interpersonal sensitivity, and tact with ill, injured, and suffering patients. Nurses must assume a commitment to patient care and the responsibility of life-long learning.

## Accreditation/Approval

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)

Alabama Board of Nursing (ABN)

#### **Degree Earned**

Associate in Applied Science

#### **Length of Program**

5 Semesters (66 Semester Hours)

#### **Credentials Earned**

Registered Nurse following successful passage of the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX)

#### **Working Conditions**

Pleasant, temperature-controlled environments. Patient care environment may include working with persons with AIDS, AIDS related diseases, Hepatitis, and other communicable diseases. Work schedules may include day, evening, or night shifts, weekdays, weekends, and holidays

#### Curriculum

#### Semester I BIO 201\* Human Anatomy & Phys. 4 MTH 100 Intermediate College Algebra or higher-level math 3 NUR 112 Fundamentals Concepts of Nursing Semester II BIO 202\* Human Anatomy & Phys. Ш 4 **PSY 210 Human Growth &** Development 3 **ENG 101 English Composition I** 3 **NUR 113 Nursing Concepts** 8 Semester III **SPH 106 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (or SPH** 3 107) NUR 114 Nursing Concepts II 8 NUR 115 Evidence Based Clinical 2 Reasoning Semester IV **BIO 220 General Microbiology** 4 NUR 211 Adv. Nursing Concepts 7 Semester V **Humanities Elective (PHL 206** 3 preferred but not required) NUR 221 Advanced Evidence Based 7 Clinical Reasoning

\*BIO 201 is a prerequisite for BIO 202. BIO 201 and BIO 202 courses must be 5 years or newer from the application deadline and have an in-person lab.

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**Total Credit Hours** 

Classes in bold may be taken prior to entering the nursing program or taken concurrently with nursing courses as outlined above.

For detailed information, please refer to the College Catalog and Student Handbook, or visit the website at <a href="https://www.cacc.edu/coa/">www.cacc.edu/coa/</a> of attendance: <a href="https://www.cacc.edu/coa/">https://www.cacc.edu/coa/</a>

**Application Information:** 

The program admits twice per year (fall and spring) at both the Alexander City campus and the Childersburg campus.

# Deadline for applications and all required application documents:

Fall: February 1
Spring: September 15

### **Admission Requirements:**

Admission requirements and procedures may change without prior notice. Please check with Health Sciences Division and/or website for updates.

**In addition** to the general admission requirements of the College, admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program requires:

- 1. Unconditional admission to the College.
- 2. Minimum of 2.5 GPA for nursing required academic core courses.
- 3. Minimum 2.0 GPA or higher at current institution.
- 4. Transfer students must enter CACC on a clear academic status (cumulative 2.0 GPA).
- Official transcripts sent to CACC admissions from ALL post-secondary institutions attended, along with high school transcript.
- 6. Eligibility for English 101, Math 100 and Biology 201.
- Official score on ACT National or Residual with a minimum composite score of 18 OR a minimum score of 58 on the TEAS test. All scores must be 3 years or newer from the application deadline date.
- 8. Submission of completed application for ADN Program before deadline.

Meeting minimal requirements does not guarantee acceptance. Admission to the ADN program is competitive, and the number of clinical facilities available limits the number of students admitted. After meeting minimal requirements, applicants are ranked for acceptance using a points system based on score on ACT National or Residual or TEAS test and quality points from selected college courses. Students may be eligible to earn additional points (see program application for details.)

For more information about admission to the program, contact:

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