



NURSING

## **ACCELERATED (2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREE) BSN PROGRAM**

**Start Date: Fall 2021 (August)**

**Application Deadline: Tuesday, June 1, 2021**

Applicants seeking admission to the Department of Nursing's Generic BSN Program must **FIRST apply to Albany State University and be admitted in good standing** with the University. It is recommended that students apply to the University at least **1 month prior to the application deadline**, as admission processes may take up to 3-to-4 weeks (including articulation of transfer evaluations).

Following acceptance to the University, applicants must then complete this application for admission and attach a \$20.00 application fee payable **ONLY** in the form of a money order made out to Albany State University (this payment is non-refundable). Applications and money orders must be returned to the main nursing department office by **close of business on June 1, 2021**, which can be mailed or hand-delivered to the following address:

Albany State University, West Campus  
Department of Nursing  
2400 Gillionville Road  
Albany, Georgia 31707

*If you wish to receive confirmation that your application has been received, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your receipt; verification of receipt will **not** be given by telephone or via email.*

### **NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE.**

Albany State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) as a Level IV institution.

The associate and baccalaureate nursing programs at Albany State University are approved by the Georgia Board of Nursing.

The associate, baccalaureate, master's, and post-master's certificate nursing programs at Albany State University at the West Campus located in Albany, Georgia, and the associate nursing program at Albany State University at the Cordele Campus located in Cordele, Georgia, are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, (404) 975-5000. The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the associate, baccalaureate, master's, and post-master's certificate nursing programs is Continuing Accreditation.

#### **Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)**

3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400

Atlanta, GA 30326

404-975-5000

[www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org)

#### **Georgia Board of Nursing**

237 Coliseum Drive

Macon, Georgia 31217

(912) 207-1640

<http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/?section=licensing>

## ACCELERATED (2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREE) BSN PROGRAM ADMISSION CRITERIA

**NOTE:** Admission to the nursing program is competitive, and the number of students is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available. Meeting minimal requirements does **NOT** guarantee acceptance. When faculty-to-student ratio limits the acceptance of all qualified students, students will be granted admission according to their qualifications and the completeness of their application packet.

### Applicants must:

1. **FIRST**, submit an application to Albany State University and **be admitted** in good standing.
2. **AFTER being accepted as a student** at Albany State University, submit the completed application, **unofficial transcripts** from all institutions previously attended, the \$20.00 application fee money order, and a copy of their TEAS exam scores by the application deadline.
  - a. Applicants who take the TEAS exam at Albany State University's West Campus Testing Center may submit a printed copy of their results page with the application and money order.
  - b. Applicants who take the TEAS exam at a testing site other than ASU's West Campus Testing Center will need to purchase the "TEAS transcript" through ATI Testing's online store and indicate that they wish to have their scores transferred to Albany State University.
3. Successfully complete and exit all learning support courses.
4. Have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited program in a field other than nursing with a graduating cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0. Courses taken and degrees earned after obtaining the first bachelor's degree will not factor into the 3.0 required graduating GPA for admission consideration.
5. Complete 31 hours of the baccalaureate Core Curriculum prior to the Fall admission with a minimum grade of "C" in the following courses: Anatomy and Physiology I & II, Microbiology, two (2) sequential courses in an Area D science (which can be either Biology I & II or Chemistry I & II), English Composition I & II, Human Growth & Development, and Pre-Nursing Seminar.
  - a. Pre-Nursing Seminar is an ASU-exclusive course. Applicants transferring from other institutions who have taken a medical terminology course at a non-ASU institution may be able to waive the Pre-Nursing seminar requirement; however, this waiver is given on a case-by-case basis and is not guaranteed.
6. Complete all required science courses with a grade of "C" or higher in each course. Only one (1) science course failure is allowed, and this course must be repeated prior to entry into the nursing program. If the science failure(s) occurred more than 5 years ago, the student has the opportunity to repeat the course(s) one (1) time.
7. Successfully complete Anatomy and Physiology course(s) that are less than 6 years old **at the time of potential admission** to the nursing program. If the Anatomy and Physiology course(s) is/are older than 6 years, the student must retake the course(s) and pass with a "C" or better.
8. Must have passed the standardized entrance exam for admission to nursing at or above the established percentage rate within no more than two (2) attempts within the past 12-month period. Students who have taken the entrance exam within the last year must present official scores to the admission committee prior to being admitted to the program. **Currently, the entrance exam is the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), and the minimum qualifying score is 70.0.**
9. Following acceptance into the nursing program, students must submit the following documentation prior to the last date to add courses for the semester ("Schedule Adjustment Days"). Students who do not meet this requirement will be dropped from the clinical nursing course.
  - a. **Certificate of immunization:** Must be on file in Student Health Services indicating that all immunizations are current based on his/her age. Immunizations include Hepatitis B (or waiver), MMR, tetanus, varicella, flu, tuberculosis, and any other immunization(s) deemed necessary by the University and/or the clinical site.
  - b. **BLS card:** A current CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) basic life support (BLS) card. All students must be certified by the American Heart Association (AHA) in child and adult BLS for health care providers. This certification must be maintained throughout the program (renewed every 2 years). An outdated CPR certification will prohibit the student from attending clinical practice experiences.
10. Following admission to the nursing program, students must submit the following documentation prior to the course's established pre-clinical deadline: malpractice insurance, proof of active health insurance (or enrollment into the student health insurance plan), a complete criminal background check, and a drug test at the expense of the student. The criminal background check will be completed utilizing the following website: [PreCheck](#).
  - a. Students are subjected to compulsory background checks per clinical agency requirements and may also be required to submit to random tests for illegal use of controlled substance as a provided by the law or regulations of the contracting agency. If the site refuses to allow a student to attend clinical experiences, the nursing program is not obligated to find another clinical site. The student may not be able to complete the nursing program at ASU. Therefore, it is important to conduct personal record checks prior to admission to the nursing program.

**NOTE:** A student who has failed (D, F, or WF) two (2) nursing courses, whether at a 2-year or 4-year institution (including ASU) will not be eligible for admission or continuation in the nursing program at ASU. Students with no more than two (2) nursing failures may be considered for entry (or reentry) into the nursing program on a case-by-case basis only after a 5-year period has passed from the most recently-earned failure. Only one (1) nursing failure may be forgiven.



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## Fall 2021

I have applied to and been admitted/readmitted as a student in good standing to Albany State University.

**YES** (if so, please continue with this application)

**NO** (if so, please **STOP** and apply to ASU first)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ram ID: 900  
*Last Name First Name MI*

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
*Cell Home Work*

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
*Cell Home Work*

List ALL Colleges and Universities Attended (excluding ASU):

College/University Name	Location	Dates Attended

Credit Hours Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ ATI TEAS Exam Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Testing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been arrested, convicted, sentenced, plead guilty, or plead nolo contendere, or been given first offender status (even if probation completed) for a misdemeanor, a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude, a crime violating a federal law involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs or a DUI or DWI, or any offense other than a minor traffic violation?

**NO**

**YES**; please be aware that students are subjected to compulsory background checks per clinical agency requirements. If the site refuses to allow a student to attend clinical experiences, the nursing program is not obligated to find another clinical site. The student may not be able to complete the nursing program at ASU. Therefore, it is important to conduct personal record checks prior to admission to the nursing program.

I understand that completion of this application does not in itself grant admission to the nursing program. I understand an application to the nursing program must be resubmitted if I am not selected for the Fall 2021 nursing program.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_