



Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) Program

FALL 2021 ALBANY HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL BRIDGE NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION

Applications are due by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, June 1, 2021

Dear Prospective Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree program at Albany State University's Department of Nursing, part of the Darton College of Health Professions. Please read all information carefully.

For detailed information regarding the admission requirements for the HCP-to-RN program, please visit the Department of Nursing's [HCP-to-RN program webpage](#) or contact an ASN program representative at (229) 500-2329 or bonnie.hardegree@asurams.edu.

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

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Georgia Board of Nursing

237 Coliseum Drive

Macon, Georgia 31217

(912) 207-1640

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

Albany State University – Department of Nursing Application Checklist for ASN Program

It is the applicant's responsibility to gather required documentation and submit this information to the Admissions Office prior to applying to the Department of Nursing

Once all applications materials are received by the Office of Admissions, you may submit your application for the nursing program to the Department of Nursing for review.

As you complete each step in the application process, use the following checklist to monitor your progress. **Submit this checklist**, along with your nursing application packet, to the nursing office.

First Steps:

- Submit completed admission application to Albany State University with application fee online by the [posted deadline](#) (fee subject to change)
- Submit your official transcripts and SAT/ACT test scores:

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| Official High School or GED transcripts: | <input type="checkbox"/> Requested | <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted | High School: _____ |
| Official transcripts from all colleges attended: | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Requested | <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted | College/Institution: _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Requested | <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted | College/Institution: _____ | |
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Send official transcripts to the Office of Admissions

By mail:

**Albany State University
Office of Admissions
2400 Gillionville Road
Albany, GA 31707**

By email: transcript@asurams.edu

- Submit Verification of Lawful Presence to Admissions Office
- Submit Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (required for applicants whose native language is not English)
- Complete your Free Application for Federal Aid (FAFSA) online

Next Steps:

- Complete all Core coursework required for program application (see admission criteria)
- Earn a minimum Nursing GPA of 2.8
- Submit ATI TEAS® score with a 65 or higher with nursing application
- Submit confirmation of application/acceptance to Albany State University with nursing application
- Submit a copy of current Paramedic certification or LPN licensure
- Submit nursing application by posted deadline

Reviewed by

Nursing Admissions Representative

Date

Applicant Signature

Date

Notes:

Albany State University – Department of Nursing Fall 2021 Albany Healthcare-Professional-to-RN-Bridge Nursing Application

Please read all information carefully prior to submitting this application

Students seeking admission to Albany State University's ASN Program must complete this supplemental application for admission and return it **by June 1, 2021** to the Nursing Department Office, Albany State University West Campus, 2400 Gillionville Road, Albany, GA, 31707 with the **\$20.00 application fee (money order only)**, a **copy of your TEAS score**, a **copy of your professional license**, and **confirmation of admission to/current enrollment at Albany State University**.

Notification of acceptance/denial status will be mailed to applicants via US mail on **June 15, 2021**. Please allow appropriate delivery time to occur. **Do not call the Nursing Department for admission status.**

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.

HEALTHCARE-PROFESSIONAL-TO-RN BRIDGE PROGRAM ADMISSION CRITERIA

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/student ratio limits the acceptance of all qualified students, preference will be given to students with the highest GPA and highest TEAS test score and have completed all required core classes.

Applicants interested in applying to the Healthcare-Professional-to-RN Bridge program will need to meet the same general admission criteria for all ASN programs, as detailed below. Additionally, students applying to this bridge program must also satisfy the following requirements:

1. Hold a valid Paramedic certification or LPN license with a minimum of **1 year** of experience.
2. Have completed **eight (8)** of the nine (9) nursing Core classes detailed in criteria #4 and #5 below, achieving a GPA of 2.8 or higher.
3. Unlike the Traditional and Evening ASN program formats, applicants to the hybrid program may have no previous failing grades in other nursing program, whether at a 2- or 4-year institution.

Healthcare-Professional-to-RN Bridge students with previous work experience will have fewer clinical hours than generic students. Additionally, preference will be given to students with highest GPA and highest pre-entrance test scores.

GENERAL ASN PROGRAM ADMISSION CRITERIA

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, 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. Complete 10 hours of the associate program's Core Curriculum with a minimum grade of "C" in the following courses: Anatomy and Physiology I, English Composition I, and an approved math course (Quantitative Reasoning, College Algebra, or higher-level math course)
5. Have a minimum cumulative Nursing Grade Point Average (NGPA) of 2.8 in the three (3) core courses listed above. Passing, failing, and repeated course grades in the above courses will be computed to obtain the GPA.

- a. While not required for program admission, there are six (6) additional Core curriculum courses that students are required to complete prior to graduation: English Composition II, Anatomy and Physiology II, Microbiology, General Psychology, American Government, and an elective in Humanities/Fine Arts (either a Literature, Foreign Language, or Appreciation course). All courses must be passed with a “C” or better, and performance in these courses will also be included in the calculation of a student's NGPA if taken prior to admission into the program.
 - b. Grades in Core courses applicable to the nursing program that are older than 10 years may be excluded from NGPA calculations.
6. 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.
 - a. **Currently, the entrance exam is the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), and the minimum qualifying score is 65.0.** Pre-admission cutoff scores for admission vary each semester based on applicants' performances.
7. Complete all required science courses with a grade of “C” or higher in each course. Sciences courses taken more than 5 years prior to enrolling in the nursing program will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the departmental chairperson and/or the program director.
 - a. If the applicant is not an active healthcare professional (LPN or paramedic), his/her Anatomy and Physiology courses will need to be repeated if greater than 5 years old at the time of potential admission into the nursing program. If the applicant is an active healthcare professional (LPN or paramedic), these courses will need to be repeated if greater than 8 years old at the time of potential admission into the nursing program.
 - i. Applicants may elect to either retake both Anatomy and Physiology courses or retake only Anatomy and Physiology II as a “refresher” course to meet this science requirement.
 - b. Microbiology courses will not have to be repeated.
8. Applicants who were previously enrolled in another institution’s nursing program but who are interested in apply to Albany State University must submit a letter from the Dean, Departmental Chairperson, or Program Director of their former program verifying the applicant left his/her program in good standing. Applicants who have failed (D, F, or WF) two (2) nursing courses, whether at a 2-year or 4-year institution (including ASU), must wait a period of 3 calendar years before they can be considered for admission to ASU's nursing program. If accepted to ASU’s nursing program, no transfer credit will be given for prior nursing courses.
9. ASN students who have completed an LPN Nursing Program or the Advanced Naval Corpsman Hospitalman Course (NER-HN-001) and have one year of active practice within the past two years may challenge NURS 1101, NURS 1105 and NURS 1111 for credit. Appointments to challenge these courses will be made after the application, a copy of PNE transcript and a copy of current Georgia license have been submitted.
10. ASN students wishing to repeat NURS 1101/1301 must submit a new application for admission to the nursing program. Readmission will be on a space-available basis and adhere to admission requirements.
11. LPNs and paramedics who have been practicing as an LPN or a paramedic for at least one year may be eligible for the Healthcare-Professional-to-RN bridge program, provided all other admission criteria have been met.

NOTE: 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.

I hereby apply for admission to the **Fall 2021 Albany Healthcare-Professional-to-RN Bridge Program**

A laptop is required for the HCP-to-RN Bridge Program

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

1. Last Name: _____ First: _____ MI: _____ Maiden: _____

ASU Student ID#: 900 _____ (applications not accepted without student ID)

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

2. Have you previously been admitted to an ASN or BSN nursing program? Yes No
If yes, state the reason for program withdrawal:

3. **Attach ATI TEAS score**
(TEAS exams taken within **one [1] year** of submission of nursing application are accepted. A minimum overall score of 65.0 is required to apply to the nursing program)

4. **Attach a copy of current Paramedic certification or LPN licensure**

Applications are not accepted without the \$20.00 application fee (payable only in the form of a money order made out Albany State University), copy of professional license, and ATI TEAS score

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 Albany Healthcare-Professional-to-RN Bridge Program.

Signature

Date

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GPA _____ Core Classes Completed _____ TEAS _____ Transfer GPA _____ # of Sciences _____