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Important Phone Numbers

Admissions Office	440-964-4217
Financial Aid	440-964-4213
Nursing Department	440-964-4223

Accreditation

The A.A.S. degree in Nursing is approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing. Additionally, the Associate Degree in Nursing Program at Kent State University – College of Applied and Technical Studies located in East Liverpool, Ohio is 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 ACEN Board of Commission for the Associate Degree in Nursing Program is Continuing Accreditation. View the public information disclosed by ACEN regarding this program

at <http://www.acenursing.us/accreditedprograms/programSearch.htm>

The program is approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing,
17 S. High St., Suite 400, Columbus, OH 43215-3413,
614-466-3947.

Kent State University is accredited by the North Central
Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.



College of Applied and Technical Students (CATS)

Associate Degree in Nursing Program

Ashtabula Campus

**3300 Lake Road West
Ashtabula, OH 44004
www.kent.edu/Ashtabula**

**Kent State University
Associate Degree in Nursing Program**

Overview

The curriculum in the Associate Degree in Nursing Program is designed to meet the health care needs of the 21st century. The focus of the curriculum is on the registered nurse's role in the community, hospitals, clinics, home health care and gerontology.

The Associate Degree Program consists of a specifically designed curriculum with emphasis on direct care. The required credit hours of coursework can be completed in two (2) years on a full-time basis. The curriculum combines liberal education and nursing education courses. The liberal education courses seek to develop the student's potential as an individual, while the nursing education and supportive courses prepare him or her to practice. Graduates of the program receive the degree of Associate of Applied Science in Nursing and are eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination to become registered nurses.

Mission

Our mission of the Kent State University Associate Degree in Nursing Program is to provide quality nursing education that prepares students as registered nurses, to recognize cultural dynamics and diversity within the health care environment and to foster humanitarian lifelong learning values.

Goals of the Program

The Associate Degree in Nursing Program at Kent State University's Regional Campuses recognizes that health care involves the entire patient – physically, emotionally and spiritually. Today's nurse is called upon to be a health professional, caregiver and confidante in one and it is our goal to prepare students to meet that challenge.

The program's curriculum is designed to prepare men and women as associate degree nurses who will:

- Use the nursing process to meet self-care demands of individuals in structured settings;
- Demonstrate therapeutic communication skills in interactions with patients, families and health team members;
- Perform safely the nursing skills and techniques identified in all nursing courses; and
- Function within the legal and ethical guidelines of the nursing role as a provider of care, manager of care and member of the profession.



College of Applied and Technical Studies Associate Degree in Nursing Program Outcomes

ACEN Achievement Date 2017 – 2019 Admits	2017	2018	2019
Program Completion Rates 3 - 4 Semesters	57%	55%	*55%
OBN Achievement Date 2017 – 2019 Admits	2017	2018	2019
Program Completion Rates 5 - 6 Semesters	70%	68%	**Pending
Annual NCLEX Pass Rates	2018	2019	2020
NCLEX Pass Rates 2018 - 2020	94.21%	93.56%	**77%
Employment Rate	2018	2019	2020
	90%	100%	**94%

*Newly defined outcome

**COVID 19 Disruption impacting outcome

Q. May I apply after the application deadline?

Yes, you may apply, and if there are available seats your application may be considered

Q. What are the criteria for prioritizing admissions?

Priority for admission is based upon academic performance and course completion.

Q. Are there any other requirements?

Following notification of acceptance into the nursing program students must submit documentation of:

- ✓ Good health as evidenced by a physical examination
- ✓ Mantoux 2 step or TB titer
- ✓ Specified immunizations and/or titers
- ✓ Certification in American Heart Association CPR – Basic Life Support Health Care Provider
- ✓ Criminal Background Checks for Ohio BCI&I and FBI
- ✓ Ten (10) Panel Urine or blood drug screen results

These documents must be submitted and approved by the following dates: August 1 for fall, January 1 for spring and June 1 for summer.

Nursing 20950 (Human Growth & Development) must be successfully completed within 5 years of admission into the nursing program.

Q. What if I have something on my background check?

The results on your background check may determine clinical placement. Persons convicted of any felony or misdemeanor must meet with the ADN Program Director prior to admission. You also need to report this on the application to the Ohio Board of Nursing at the time of application. The Ohio Board of Nursing will make the decision about whether or not the person may take the examination and be licensed.

Q. What happens when I complete the program?

Successful completion of the program results in your being eligible to apply for licensure to the State Board of Nursing and registration to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses. The State Board of Nursing authorizes the testing service to issue the program graduate an authorization to test document. Candidates who wish to sit for the NCLEX-RN examination will be required to submit their fingerprints to the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI&I) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Q. To whom should I direct questions about the nursing program?

Please call the ADN office with questions about the nursing program at 440-964-4264.

Summary of Admission Procedure

1. Complete an application to Kent State University online at <http://www.kent.edu/columbiana> and submit the \$40 non-refundable fee. Please select **Nursing (associate degree AAS)** as your major in this field.

2. Have official and sealed transcripts of all high schools, GED, technical schools and college transcripts mailed to the Kent State Ashtabula admissions office. Your college transcripts will be sent to the Kent Campus for transfer evaluation after the official application along with the application fee are received. This process takes several weeks.

3. Meet with a Financial Aid Advisor to discuss all financial arrangements (scholarships, loans, grants or planned payment schedules). It is important that you complete these papers as soon as possible in order to receive financial aid at the correct time. Call 440-964-4217 to schedule an appointment.

4. You will receive a letter from the Director of Admissions that will inform you of your acceptance status at Kent State University.

5. Completion of the ALEKS placement test for mathematics may be required for all new KSU students. Placement testing in writing and reading may also be required based upon your previous academic experience. Please inform the person administering the test that you are a potential nursing student so you will be referred to schedule an appointment with a nursing representative. Frequently asked questions are located at: <https://www.kent.edu/math/frequently-asked-questions>

6. After you have received acceptance to Kent State University and have taken the placement tests, schedule an appointment with an ADN program representative to develop a plan for completing the program by calling or meeting with Paula Ghiz, ADN Student Advisor, You can reach her by calling 440-964-4217 or email her at pghiz@kent.edu.

Application for admission to the Associate Degree in Nursing Program is a separate procedure that occurs after admission to the university and meeting with an ADN program representative.

<https://www.kent.edu/ashtabula/nursing>

Characteristics of The Associate Degree Nurse

Graduates from the Associate Degree in Nursing Program are characterized by the ability to think critically, practice competently in the clinical setting and demonstrate profession accountability and commitment. Although they are prepared to care for patients of all ages, the majority of their clients are adults who require assistance to maintain or restore to an optimum state of health. Because the aged comprise an increasing proportion of clients, the nurse with an associate degree is especially prepared to address acute and chronic health care needs of this population. The nurse is concerned with the individual client and with the person's relationship within a family, group and community.

The nursing process on which nurses base their decisions includes the establishment and analysis of a data base, identification of health care needs, selection of nursing diagnoses, setting of client goals, planning and implementation of care to achieve these goals and evaluation of client outcomes.

To develop the cognitive, psychomotor and affective abilities necessary to make sound nursing decisions and to practice competently, students acquire knowledge in current nursing concepts, principles, processes and skills. They study nutrition, general health, acute and chronic health deviations, pharmacology, communication, human development, teaching-learning principles, current technology, humanities and biological and behavioral sciences.

To be contributing members within the discipline of nursing and to practice quality nursing care, students learn the ethical standards and legal framework of practice; the importance of nursing research; rules and regulations governing the practice of nursing; political, economic and societal forces affecting practice; and the lines of authority and communication within the work setting.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. How long is the program?

Students may elect to attend on a part-time or full-time basis. The length of time in terms of semesters or years varies depending upon how many hours are completed each semester. Each student should meet with a nursing advisor on a regular basis to plan his/her schedule.

Q. When do nursing classes begin?

Applicants are admitted to begin nursing class each fall at all campuses and in the spring semester at the Ashtabula campus.

Q. What do I need to do to begin the nursing classes?

Submit a separate nursing program application and be accepted into the Associate Degree Nursing Program.

Q. What criteria do I need to meet to get accepted?

- ✓ Be admitted to Kent State University, Ashtabula campus and meet with an ADN program representative.
 - ✓ Complete college or high school courses in algebra, biology and chemistry.
 - ✓ Complete all developmental courses that were prescribed by your scores on placement tests.
 - ✓ Meet the following GPA requirements:
 - **If you are a current or former KSU student with no transfer credits**, a minimum 2.70 cumulative GPA is required.
 - **If you are a transfer student who never attended KSU**, the cumulative GPA from your most recent school where at least 12 credit hours must be 2.70.
 - **If you attended KSU but it is not the most recently attended school**, the Kent State cumulative GPA must be a minimum 2.00 **and** the cumulative GPA from the most recent school where at least 12 overall credit hours were completed must be a minimum 2.70.
 - **If you completed fewer than 12 credit hours at all institutions**, the admission committee reserves the right to determine which GPA will be used for admission.
 - **For post-secondary/dual enrolled high school students** applying directly from high school who have taken college courses while in high school, minimum high school and college cumulative GPAs of 2.70 are required.
 - **For high school students with no college courses taken**, a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 2.70 and a composite ACT score of 22 or SAT score of 1020 are required.
- For all students, GPAs will not be rounded.
- ✓ Have a grade of "C" (2.00) or better in all required courses previously completed. If you attended another nursing program, submit a letter of recommendation from the director of that nursing program.

Q. When are applications reviewed?

An admissions committee reviews completed applications at regularly scheduled times and makes selections according to established criteria.

Kent State University			
Associate Degree in Nursing Program			
Tuition Fee Schedule		Estimated Costs for Program	
		Excluding Tuition	
Kent State Application Fee	\$40		
Ohio Residents, Regional Campus		<u>1st Year, 1st Semester</u>	
Undergraduate tuition guarantee;		<u>Program Fee</u>	\$ 250.00
lower division tuition		Books & Resources	\$ 600.00
Estimated for 1 credit hour	\$298	Course Fees	\$ 100.00
Estimated for full time 12+ credit Hours . .	\$3,281	Stethoscope & Supplies	\$ 80.00
		Uniforms	\$ 150.00
Reduced rate for residents of approved counties		Health Requirements	\$ 250.00
in Pennsylvania and West Virginia		FB/BCI Criminal Background Check	\$ 72.00
Undergraduate, lower division tuition		CPR	\$ 40.00
Estimated Per Credit hour	\$372	Drug Test	\$ 50.00
Estimated for full time 12+ credit Hours . .	\$4,168	Subtotal	\$ 1,592.00
Non-Residents, Regional Campus		<u>1st Year, 2nd Semester</u>	
(Outside of OH or PA/WA counties above)		<u>Program Fee</u>	\$ 250.00
Undergraduate, lower division tuition		Books & Resources	\$ 375.00
Per Credit hour - contact Financial Aid		Course Fees	\$ 160.00
		Subtotal	\$ 785.00
Estimated Full-time Total Cost		<u>2nd Year, 3rd Semester</u>	
Estimate of expenses if attending full-time		<u>Program Fee</u>	\$ 250.00
and completing all coursework within two		Books & Resources	\$ 400.00
academic years, four semesters. If you are		Course Fees	\$ 120.00
a transfer student or attending part-time,		Health Requirements	\$ 100.00
your total tuition cost will be a little more or		Subtotal	\$ 870.00
less, depending on how many courses you		<u>2nd Year, 4th Semester</u>	
have left to take.*		<u>Program Fee</u>	\$ 250.00
Full-time tuition per semester	\$3,281	Books & Resources	\$ 250.00
Books and fees per semester	\$750	Course Fees	\$ 160.00
Estimated total per semester	\$4,031	Nursing Pin	\$ 60.00
Estimated total per year (2 sem)	\$8,062	Graduation Cap & Gown	\$ 70.00
		Ohio Board Licensure Fee	\$ 75.00
Estimated Full-time Grand Total	\$16,124	NCLEX Exam	\$ 200.00
		Subtotal	\$ 1,065.00
<i>The University reserves the right to change</i>		Estimated Grand Total	\$ 4,312.00
<i>without notice any fee if conditions warrant.</i>		<i>Students who are placed at major clinical</i>	
*If you take an online course you may be		<i>facilities will be charged an annual \$50</i>	
charged an additional fee per credit hour.		<i>on-boarding fee. Students admitted to KSU in</i>	
		<i>2021/2022 may have additional fees.</i>	
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Associate Degree in Nursing Program

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

			Credit Hours	Class Clock Hours	Lab Clock Hours	Clinical Clock Hours	Observation Clock Hours
<u>First Year, First Semester</u>							
BSCI	11010	Foundational Anatomy and Physiology I	3	30	45	0	0
CHEM	10055	Molecules of Life	3	45	0	0	0
UC	10097	Destination Kent State	1	15	0	0	0
PSYC	11762	General Psychology	3	45	0	0	0
NRST	10001	Foundations of Nursing Agency	5	25	58.5	54.25	0
		Kent Core Mathematics & Critical Reasoning	3	45	0	0	0
			18	205	103.5	54.25	0
<u>First Year, Second Semester</u>							
BSCI	11020	Foundational Anatomy and Physiology II	3	30	45	0	0
BSCI	20021	Microbiology	3	45	0	0	0
NUTR	23511	Nutrition	3	45	0	0	0
NRST	10003	Nursing Agency I	6	43.75	31.5	57.5	5.5
NRST	10010	Therapeutic Use of Self	1	15	0	0	0
			16	178.75	76.5	57.5	5.5
<u>Second Year, First Semester</u>							
ENG	11011	College Writing I	3	45	0	0	0
NURS	20950**	Human Growth and Development for Health Professionals	3	45	0	0	0
NRST	20206	Nursing Agency II	5	31.25	12.5	78	5.5
NRST	20205	Psychosocial Self-Care Deficits	3	25	4.25	33.75	0
		Kent Core Humanities & Fine Arts	3	45	0	0	0
			17	191.25	16.75	111.75	5.5
<u>Second Year, Second Semester</u>							
ENG	21011	College Writing II	3	45	0	0	0
SOC	12050	Sociology	3	45	0	0	0
NRST	20208	Nursing Agency III	6	37.5	12.5	95	5.5
NRST	20209	Maternal/Newborn Developmental Self-Care	2	12.5	5	32.5	0
NRST	20210	Child/Family Developmental Self-Care	2	12.5	5	32.5	0
			16	152.5	22.5	160	5.5

Total Requirements 67 Credit Hours

**Must have been successfully completed within five (5) years of admission to the nursing program.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT POLICY FOR LPN

Grade of "C" (2.00) or Higher Must be Achieved in All Required Courses

Licensed practical nurses who graduated from a PN program that has full approval and who hold the appropriate credentials to administer medications may be admitted to the LPN-ADN program option. They must hold an unrestricted PN license. LPN applicants for advanced placement must complete the following requirements in the outlined sequence.

1. Apply to Kent State University (which includes having any official transcripts from previous college and technical level coursework sent for evaluation). Take the placement test, if required. A meeting with an ADN representative is required.
2. Students must complete any developmental coursework as prescribed through the placement test or evidence of mastery of the content.
3. The following courses must be completed with a "C" (2.00) or higher prior to admission to the LPN to ADN Transition course: BSCI 11010 and CHEM 10055 (CHEM10050) and UC 10097 and one from Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning category.
4. The following courses must be completed with a "C" (2.00) or higher: BSCI 11020, BSCI 20021, NUTR 23511, PSYC 11762, and NRST 10010 prior to entering the second year, first semester.
5. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.70 to be admitted to NRST 10006. This 3-credit hour course meets the requirements of the Ohio Nursing Articulation Model. Admission will be dependent on the sufficient number of students to hold the course.
6. After successful completion of NRST 10006, students will:
 - Be awarded substitute credit for NRST 10001, NRST 10003 and waived NRST 20950.
7. After successful completion of the above, students may enter the 2nd year of the Associate Degree in Nursing Program.

Students who fail NRST 10006 will not be articulated into the LPN-ADN program option. Students who still wish to pursue an associate degree in nursing may request readmission into NRST 10001. Students will need to complete NURS 20950 Human Growth and Development.

A student who did not pass a transition course at another college or university, cannot be admitted into the LPN-ADN program option but may apply for admission to the ADN program.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT POLICY FOR PARAMEDIC

Grade of "C" (2.00) or Higher Must be Achieved in All Required Courses

Certified paramedics who graduated from an approved program may be admitted to the Paramedic-RN program option. They must hold an unrestricted Paramedic certification. Paramedic applicants for advanced placement must complete the following requirements in the outlined sequence.

1. Apply to Kent State University (which includes having any official transcripts from previous college and technical level coursework sent for evaluation). Take the placement test, if required. A meeting with an ADN representative is required.
2. Students must complete any developmental coursework as prescribed through the placement test or evidence of mastery of the content.
3. The following courses must be completed with a "C" (2.00) or higher prior to admission to the Paramedic to ADN Transition course: BSCI 11010; CHEM 10055 (CHEM10050); UC 10097 and one from Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning category.
4. The following courses must be completed with a "C" (2.00) or higher: BSCI 11020, BSCI 20021, NUTR 23511, PSYC 11762, NRST 10010 and NRST 20950 prior to entering the second year, first semester.
5. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.70 to be admitted to NRST 10008.
 - a. Admission will be dependent on the sufficient number of students to hold the course.
6. After successful completion of NRST 10008, students will:
 - a. Be awarded substitute credit for NRST 10003 and waive
 - b. NRST 10001.
7. After successful completion of the above, students may enter the 2nd year of the Associate Degree in Nursing Program.

Students who fail NRST 10008 will not be articulated into the Paramedic-ADN program option. Students who still wish to pursue an associate degree in nursing may request readmission into NRST 10001.

A student who did not pass a Paramedic transition course at another college or university, cannot be admitted into the Paramedic to ADN program option but may apply for admission to the ADN program.

