



SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE



## ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM (ADN)

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1401 College Avenue, Levelland, TX 79336

(806) 716-2391

### Admission to the college does not guarantee admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program

The Associate Degree Nursing program is a two-year curriculum, designed to prepare accountable, responsible graduate nurses practice ready to provide direct patient care in a variety of health care settings.

Students completing this curriculum receive an Associate of Applied Science degree and are eligible to apply to take the State Board Exam (NCLEX) for Registered Nurse Licensure.

### **Complete the following prior to submitting an application for admission:**

- Apply for Admission with South Plains College
- Be TSI compliant
- Complete the TEAS test in Reading, English, Math each with a minimum score of 58.7 and the Science with a minimum score of 50.0.
  - ✓ \*\* This is the nursing entrance exam. Arrangements are made through the Testing Center at [testing@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:testing@southplainscollege.edu). If TEAS is taken at other institutions, you will need to provide a copy of your TEAS test scores to the Nursing department with your application.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better
- Have a minimum prerequisites and co-requisites GPA of 2.8 or better
- Complete all non-science prerequisites with a "C" or better
- Science prerequisites (A&P 1, A&P 2, and Microbiology) must **NOT** have more than 1 "C" in prerequisites, other 2 science prerequisites must be an "A" or "B".
- Have a computer with webcam and have internet access while enrolled in the nursing program.

\*\* ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I & II and MICROBIOLOGY MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 5 YEARS. NO MORE THAN 3 SCIENCES TOTAL MAY BE REPEATED. \*NOT PER SCIENCE CLASS\*.



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### PREREQUISITE COURSES FOR RN AND LVN TO RN TRANSITION PROGRAM

<u>Course</u>	<u>Semester Hours</u>
ENGL 1301 College Composition I	3
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I	4
PSYC 2314 Lifespan Human Growth & Development	3
BIOL 2420 Microbiology	4
***These courses must be successfully completed before applying for the nursing program.	
We highly recommend completion of the following prerequisites before applying for the program.	
<u>Course</u>	<u>Semester Hours</u>
BIOL 2402-Anatomy & Physiology II	4
Choose from an approved Humanities class	3
You may choose from one of the following to take as a Humanities course (Language, Philosophy and Culture course):	
COMM 1307	
ENGL 2321, 2326, 2332, 2333, 2341, 2342, 2343	
HIST 2311, 2312	
HUMA 1301, 1305, 1315, 2319, 2323	
PHIL 1301, 1304, 2306	

### **Accepted Humanities for ADN Program Language, Philosophy and Culture**

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|---|--|
| COMM 1307 - Intro to Mass Communication | HUMA 1301 - Intro to Humanities            |
| ENGL 2321 - British Literature          | HUMA 1305 - Intro to Mex-Am Studies        |
| ENGL 2326 - American Literature         | HUMA 1315 - Fine Arts Appreciation         |
| ENGL 2332 - World Literature I          | HUMA 2323 - World Cultures                 |
| ENGL 2333 - World Literature II         | PHIL 1301 - Introduction to Philosophy     |
| ENGL 2341 - Forms of Literature         | PHIL 1304 - Introduction to World Religion |
| ENGL 2342 - Introduction to Drama       | PHIL 2306 - Introduction to Ethics         |
| ENGL 2343 - Introduction to Poetry      |  |
| HIST 2311 - Western Civil I             |  |
| HIST 2312 - Western Civil II            |  |



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**GENERIC (RN) \*\*NO SUMMER CLASSES OFFERED\*\***

### FRESHMAN YEAR

First Semester \*\*Accepted classes start each Fall and Spring semesters\*\*

<u>Course</u>		<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 1413	Fundamentals for Nursing Practice .....	4
RNSG 1105	Nursing Skills I .....	1
RNSG 1144	Nursing Skills II .....	1
RNSG 1160	Clinical-Nursing (RN Training) Foundations.....	1
RNSG 1115	Health Assessment .....	1
<b>TOTAL</b> .....		<b>8</b>

### Second Semester

<u>Course</u>		<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 1441	Common Concepts of Adult Health.....	4
RNSG 2460	Clinical-Nursing (RN Training) Common Concepts .....	4
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing .....	2
<b>TOTAL</b> .....		<b>10</b>

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

First Semester (also called Third Semester)

<u>Course</u>		<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 1443	Complex Concepts of Adult Health .....	4
RNSG 2461	Clinical-Nursing (RN Training) Complex Concepts.....	4
RNSG 2261	Clinical-Nursing (RN Training) Mental Health Nursing .....	2
<b>TOTAL</b> .....		<b>10</b>

Second Semester (also called Fourth Semester)

<u>Course</u>		<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 1412	Nursing Care of the Childbearing & Childrearing Family.....	4
RNSG 2462	Clinical Nursing (RN Training) Maternal/Child .....	4
RNSG 2121	Management of Client Care .....	1
RNSG 1146	Legal & Ethical Issues for Nurse .....	1
RNSG 2130	Prof. NSG Rev. & Licensure Prep .....	1
<b>TOTAL</b> .....		<b>11</b>



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**Transition Information (LVN to RN) \*\*No Summer Classes Offered\*\***

FRESHMAN YEAR	
<u>First Semester (also called Transition Semester)</u>	
<u>Course</u>	<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 2307     Adaptation to Role of Professional Nurse .....	3
RNSG 2260     Clinical-Nursing (RN Training) Transition.....	2
RNSG 1115     Health Assessment .....	1
RNSG 2213     Mental Health Nursing .....	2
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>8</b>

SOPHOMORE YEAR	
<u>Second Semester</u>	
<u>Course</u>	<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 1443     Complex Concepts of Adult Health.....	4
RNSG 2461     Clinical Nursing (RN Training) Complex Concepts .....	4
RNSG 2261     Clinical-Nursing (RN Training) Mental Health Nursing .....	2
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>10</b>
<u>Third Semester</u>	
<u>Course</u>	<u>Sem Hrs</u>
RNSG 1412     Nursing Care of the Childbearing & Childrearing Family .....	4
RNSG 2462     Clinical Nursing (RN Training) Maternal/Child.....	4
RNSG 2121     Management of Client Care.....	1
RNSG 1146     Legal & Ethical Issues for Nurses .....	1
RNSG 2130     Prof Nursing Rev. & Licensure Prep.....	1
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>11</b>

The program and courses within the program are subject to approval and changes mandated by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Texas Board of Nursing.



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**Steps for ADN Programs Admission:**

**Step 1: Gather Documents:**

- ✓ Must have a High School Diploma/GED
- ✓ Apply to South Plains College at [www.southplainscollege.edu](http://www.southplainscollege.edu). Click on box that says, "Apply or Register for Classes" and follow the prompts. (Acceptance to the college does not guarantee admission the ADN Program.)
- ✓ Submit Official (signed and sealed) High School and/or College transcripts from any college attended to the admissions office as soon as possible.
- ✓ Submit proof of Meningitis Vaccine to the Admissions office.
- ✓ Contact the Admissions office for assistance at 806-716-2500.

**Step 2: Apply for Financial Aid (If needed)**

- ✓ Processing for Financial Aid takes approximately 6-8 weeks. Do Not Wait for acceptance to apply for financial aid. The link to complete the FASFA can be found online at [www.southplainscollege.edu](http://www.southplainscollege.edu) under Financial Aid Homepage.
- ✓ The Financial Aid office is located in the Student Services Building on the Levelland Campus or can be contacted at 806-716-2413 or email [finaid@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:finaid@southplainscollege.edu)

**Step 3: TSI Compliance & Pass TEAS**

- ✓ Must be TSI compliant in ALL sections.
- ✓ Please see page 7 for the TSI explanation and passing scores
- ✓ Complete the TEAS test in Reading, English, and Math with a minimum score of 58.7, and Science, with a minimum score of 50.0. \*\* This is the nursing entrance exam \*\*. Arrangements are made through the Testing Center. Register online at: [testing@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:testing@southplainscollege.edu). If TEAS is taken at other institutions, you will need to provide a copy of your TEAS test scores to the Nursing department with your application. **TEAS exam expires after one year from completion.**
- ✓ Please contact the Testing Center for assistance at 806-716-2368 or at [testing@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:testing@southplainscollege.edu)

**Step 4: Register and take required prerequisites**

- ✓ Please see page 2 of packet for complete list of required courses and criteria.
- ✓ Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better
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**Step 5: ADN Application**

- ✓ Students must submit TEAS scores and show proof of TSI Compliance to the Nursing Department at the Allied Health building or by email to: [jfowler53@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:jfowler53@southplainscollege.edu) to obtain an application to the program.

**Step 6: Complete the ENTIRE Application Packet and return to the Nursing Department.**

- ✓ Bring the application on or before the deadline with Official Transcripts from high school and any colleges attended. (Please call for the occurring ADN Application Deadline)
- ✓ NO late applications will be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS
- ✓ We do NOT require recommendation letters.
- ✓ Must include a valid, legible, email on application, you will be notified at the email provided of acceptance or denial into the program within 3-4 weeks after the deadline. (Sometimes longer)

**Step 7: Return Application**


You Must return all information to:

Allied Health Department of Nursing  
202 Clubview Dr.  
Levelland, TX 79336

If you mail it in the application must be post marked on or before the deadline. Mail to:

Nursing Department  
1401 S. College Ave Box W  
Levelland, TX 79336

If you have any questions, please contact Jill Fowler at 806-716-2391 or email at [jfowler53@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:jfowler53@southplainscollege.edu).



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**Information for Texas Success Initiative:**

**\*\*Please Note ALL student wishing to apply to the Levelland ADN Program MUST be TSI compliant.**

The TSI is a state program designed to enhance a student's opportunity for success in their college studies. The program requires that students entering college be tested to see that they are prepared for college level work that is considered Reading, Writing and Math intensive.

All new students entering Texas Colleges and Universities are required to take a placement test prior to enrolling in college level courses, unless exempt from testing under specified state standards.

The placement test determines your college readiness in Reading, Writing, and Math. The tests are multiple-choice, with a possible writing section.

**Exemptions:**

A student is exempt from taking the placement test if he/she meets one or more of the following conditions:

- ✓ SAT - a minimum score of Reading 480 on Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) 530 on Mathematics.
- ✓ ACT - a minimum score of Composition 23, English and Math 19 to be exempt for both the reading and writing sections of the TSI assessment.
- ✓ TSI - TSI scores: Math 350, Reading 351, Writing 340 and Essay 4 or 5
- ✓ TSIA2 - Math 950, ELAR 945 w/essay 5

Please contact the testing center for other testing exemptions and for further explanation of exemptions.

If you do not pass one or more areas of the placement test there are support courses designed to help you gain college level skills. In addition, some courses require students to pass the placement test or be exempt before enrolling.

To schedule for the TSI test contact the Testing Center on the Levelland Campus at 806-716-2368 or online at [www.southplainscollege.edu/testing](http://www.southplainscollege.edu/testing)

Study links for TSI compliance: [www.testpreview.com](http://www.testpreview.com) or [TSIA2.accuplacer.org](http://TSIA2.accuplacer.org)

A study guide is available at the SPC Library or you may purchase one at the SPC bookstore.



The logo for South Plains College Nursing features the letters 'SPC' in a stylized orange font at the top. Below it, the words 'SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE' are written in a smaller orange font. Underneath that, the word 'Nursing' is written in a blue, cursive script font, flanked by a blue ECG (heart rate) line. Below the logo, the text 'ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM (ADN)' is centered in a black, sans-serif font.

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**Signing up for the TSI Test, you must:**

- ✓ You must present a current photo ID, driver's license, student ID, or passport.
- ✓ You must sign up for a test at least 3 business days prior to a selected test date.


As of January 1, 2011 - personal or business checks will no longer be accepted as a form of payment for testing fees. Cash or Credit card only.

Checks issued by a local School District will still be accepted at this time.

**Explanations:**

- ✓ TSI Compliant means that you have passed or are exempt from TSIA2 Assessment, and you are not enrolled in any remedial or development courses.





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**Frequently Asked Questions**

1. Q: What are the hours once in the nursing program?

A: Once you are accepted in the nursing program you will be in class or clinicals 5 days a week, Monday - Friday. Class time is usually 8am - 4pm but may vary slightly in each semester. Clinical times will vary based on which clinical site you are assigned, example: Hospital setting (Covenant/UMC) 6am - 3pm, but again may vary per semester. Beginning in 1<sup>st</sup> semester you will primarily be here at the school in class or skills lab 5 days a week, but towards mid to late 1<sup>st</sup> semester you will begin actual clinicals at least 1 day a week. Clinical days may increase as you progress into further semesters. Please be advised that this is just for informative purposes and is subject to change according to clinical sites availability. Once accepted you will get more definite times at your nursing orientation.

2. Q: Can I work while in the nursing program?

A: We do not advise students to work while they are enrolled in our nursing program, however that is ultimately the student's choice. Nursing school workload is heavy and difficult so if you choose to work, please plan accordingly, and stay organized and on top of your schoolwork.

3. Q: What is the minimum required GPA?

A: You must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 to be eligible to apply to our nursing programs.

4. Q: Can I take the nursing classes online or at night?

A: No. We do not offer any of our nursing classes online, at night, or weekends.

5. Q: Can I take more classes a semester or during summer to get ahead and finish the program earlier?

A: No. Our program is set up on a strict curriculum and there are no variances allowed from that curriculum.

6. Q: Will my classes from another college transfer to SPC?

A: All non-nursing courses that were taken at Regionally Accredited College/University should transfer with no problem, but you will need to check with the registrar to be sure. If you are trying to transfer nursing courses into our program from another nursing program, you will have to discuss that with the Director of our program. The Director must look at the program you were at and how the courses were taught to see if they will be able to substitute for our courses and all nursing courses must be completed within one year to be considered



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for transfer. On average most nursing courses will not transfer into our program because every program is set up differently.

7. Q: If I am currently enrolled in, or planning to take my prerequisites am I still eligible to apply to the program?

A: No. The four prerequisites are to be completed prior to the application deadline.



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### ESTIMATED PRICE LIST (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

A computer with a webcam and internet access is required while enrolled in the ADN.

#### ORIENTATION:

- Uniforms \$250-\$300 White Shoes \$50-\$75 Bandage Scissors \$5-\$20 Penlight \$5
- Admission finger printing approximately \$50
- Admission Drug Screen \$65
- Membership in the Texas Student Nurses Association (TSNA)  
First year \$40 Second year \$45 Two-year discounted price \$80

#### FIRST SEMESTER: \$2650 - \$3400

- Tuition = 8 hours only = \$1172 - \$1652 (nursing classes only)  
\*\* Tuition cost varies for In-district, Out-of-district, or Non-resident.
- Lab Kits and Fees, Testing Fees = \$580
- Drug Screen Fee \$50
- Required Textbooks Used approx. \$900 New approx. \$1150  
\*\* Textbooks used throughout the entire ADN program

#### OTHER ITEMS NOT INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE ESTIMATE:

- CPR (required every 2 years) \$60
- Physical exam and immunizations
- Watch with second hand. No smart watches in lab or clinical.

#### SECOND SEMESTER: \$2730 - \$3530

- Tuition: 10 hours = \$1346 - \$1946 (nursing classes only)  
\*\* Tuition cost varies for In-district, Out-of-district or Non-resident.
- Lab Kits and Fees, Testing Fees = \$650
- Drug Screen Fee \$50
- Required Textbooks Used approx. \$700 New approx. \$900

#### THIRD SEMESTER: \$2375 - \$3175

- Tuition = 10 hours = \$1346 - \$1946 (Nursing Classes Only)  
\*\* Tuition cost varies for In-district, Out-of-district, or Non-resident.
- Lab and Testing Fees = \$400
- Drug Screen Fee \$50
- Required Textbooks Used approx. \$550 New approx. \$750
- Renew student membership in the nursing student association \$45

#### FOURTH SEMESTER: \$2950 - \$3808

- Tuition = 11 hours = \$1618 - \$2278 (Nursing Classes Only)
- Lab and Testing Fees = \$800
- Drug Screen Fee \$35
- Required Textbooks Used approx. \$500 New approx. 700

#### Prior to graduation, you will have these estimated additional costs:

- State Board fee \$100
- NCLEX Exam fee \$200
- Class graduation ceremony cost \$10- \$20
- Nursing pin \$45 - \$500

#### TOTAL PROGRAM COST (ESTIMATE & SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

In-district \$12,130 Out-of-district \$15,550