



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Nursing degree Program is available at nine of the Maricopa Community Colleges. The program provides clinical experiences in a variety of healthcare settings. Completion of the degree requirements provides eligibility to apply for licensure as registered nurses.

Applicants may submit an application to Maricopa Nursing at one of the Maricopa Community Colleges after meeting all admission requirements. Applicants are placed according to their choices when space is available.

A description of the admission and placement process is found in the Information and Application Packet and under FAQs on the website www.nursing.maricopa.edu.

The Nursing Program offers a variety of schedule options including Traditional, Accelerated, Part-time, Weekend Day, Distance Learning, and Educational Service Partnerships. In all options, scheduling of clinical experiences may include day, evening, or weekend hours and may include 6, 8, 10, and/or 12-hour shifts. Student schedules are available only after the applicant is admitted to the campus immediately prior to the start of the program. The list of current program options is available on the website under Prospective Students.

Transfer/Advanced Placement. Transfer applicants, Paramedics and LPNs seeking to complete the Associate in Applied Science in Nursing degree may apply using the Advanced Placement Information/Application Packet found at the nursing program web site.

Paramedic to RN Bridge courses are offered each summer. For information see the nursing program web site under Prospective Students.

Applicants for licensure in Arizona must provide documentation demonstrating citizenship, alien status, legal residency or lawful presence in the United States. License requirements are the exclusive responsibility of the State Board of Nursing, www.azbn.gov.

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"Nursing is a work of Heart"
~ Anonymous

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NURSING STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

Students must be in excellent physical and mental health. Students can expect to spend considerable time outside the classroom practicing skills, reading textbooks and journals, and completing written assignments for clinical and classroom preparation. Students must subscribe to the ideal of academic honesty and integrity and accept individual responsibility for their work. Academic dishonesty and unprofessional behaviors are unacceptable.

For information about the Essential Skills and Functional Abilities for Nursing Students see the Information and Application Packet available in the advisor and admission offices on the campuses or at www.nursing.maricopa.edu/.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION*

Potential applicants are urged to meet with the Admission Officers/Advisors each semester. Applicants must complete a Student Information Form at the college of first choice and request that all official colleges/universities transcripts are sent to the Admissions Office at the selected college.

High school graduate or GED

Nurse Entrance Test (NET): All applicants must score at a 60% or higher in reading and 50% or higher in math within 24 months of application. The NET Study Guide is available in selected college bookstore and libraries or at www.eriworld.com.

Advanced Placement and Transfer applicants for Block 3 and Block 4: All Advanced Placement applicants must score at a 60% or higher in reading and 50% or higher in math within 24 months of application. In addition to the NET, all applicants must achieve a score of 800 or higher on the **HESI PN Exit Exam** to qualify for placement into Block 3 or Block 4.

Fingerprint Clearance is required for admission into the program. Applicants must submit a copy of a current Fingerprint Clearance Card with the nursing program application. Information about the process of obtaining a Fingerprint Clearance Card is available on the nursing program web site and at www.dps.state.az.us.

Once applicants are admitted to the nursing program, they will undergo Background Check Clearance including a check of the List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (LEIE) database <http://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/exclusions.html> an identification check, and a drug screen and must complete the Health and Safety form as requirements for enrollment in nursing courses.

General Education Course Requirements (Minimum grade required is a "C" or 2.0):

Prerequisite General Education Courses Required for Application:

CHM130+CHM130LL	Fundamental Chemistry with lab or one year high school chemistry	0 - 4 credits
BIO156/181	Introductory or General Biology or one year high school biology	0 - 4 credits
BIO201	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4 credits
PSY101	Introduction to Psychology	3 credits
MAT 120, 121,122	Intermediate Algebra or higher Mathematics	3 - 5 credits

Nursing Program Co-requisites Required for Progression into Block 3:

BIO202	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4 credits
BIO205	Microbiology	4 credits

Nursing Program Co-requisites Required for Associate in Applied Science in Nursing degree:

ENG101	First Year Composition	3 credits
ENG102	First Year Composition	3 credits
CRE101	Critical and Evaluative Reading or Test Exempt	0 - 3 credits
HUM	Humanities Elective	2 credits

Advanced Placement Students: Must have all prerequisites and co-requisites up to the Block of entry:

NUR187	Pharmacology & Med Administration II or equivalent (NCE170 Pharm for Nurses) within 12 months of application	1.5 credits
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*Applicants may download Application Packets and access additional information about the Nurse Entrance Test (NET), HESI PN Exit Exam, and Fingerprint Clearance Card at <http://www.nursing.maricopa.edu/>