

EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE NURSING PROGRAM



LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track

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ATTENTION

The East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program *Student Handbook* presents the program and requirements in effect at the time of publication but is no guarantee that they will not be changed or revoked. However, adequate and reasonable notice will be given to students affected by any changes. This Handbook is not intended to state contractual terms and does not constitute a contract between the student and the school. Students are expected to become familiar with the rules and policies of East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program and enter with the understanding that they will abide by these regulations.

East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program reserves the right to make changes as required in course offerings, curricula, academic policies, and other rules and regulations affecting students to be effective whenever determined by the School. These changes will govern current and formerly enrolled students. Enrollment of all students is subject to these conditions.

East Arkansas Community College Tobacco –Free Campus Initiative Position Statement

The American College Health Association (ACHA) acknowledges and supports the findings of the Surgeon General that tobacco use in any form, active and/or passive, is a significant health hazard.

In its efforts to provide a healthy working and learning environment for students, faculty, and staff, and in accordance with the Arkansas Clean Air on Campus Act of 2009 (Act 734), East Arkansas Community College is a tobacco-free campus effective July 1, 2010.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE UPDATE

Criminal Background Checks for Licensure

Prospective students seeking admission to the Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program at East Arkansas Community College should be aware that each first-time applicant for a nursing license issued by Arkansas State Board of Nursing must undergo a state and national criminal background check conducted by the Arkansas State Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall refuse to issue an individual license to practice nursing if that individual has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any offenses outlined in Subchapter 3, Section 17-87-312, subsection (f) of the Arkansas Nurse Practice Act. For further details, prospective students may access the website for the Arkansas Board of Nursing at www.arsbn.org.

Therefore, graduation from East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program does not guarantee eligibility to take the licensing exam (NCLEX-RN).

Criminal Background Checks for Clinical

Clinical sites are now requiring criminal background checks and drug screens before students are allowed to come for the clinical rotation. Therefore, students will be required to obtain these and present the results to the facility. The student will be responsible for the cost. The clinical facility will be responsible for accepting or declining students based on the results of the criminal background checks and drug screens.

If the clinical facility refuses a student based on criminal background checks and/or drug screening results, the College will seek, if possible, to find another facility for the student's clinical experience. The corresponding clinical component for each class is mandatory. If the student is unable to fulfill the clinical requirement, the student will be dropped from the program.

The Criminal Background and Drug Screen for clinical will be approximately \$150.00 annually in August.

HISTORY

In 1974, a statistical report prepared by the Arkansas Board of Nursing revealed a statewide need for registered nurses. A needs survey by East Arkansas Community College revealed that a five county area in eastern Arkansas needed to be served with additional registered nurses. In 1976, East Arkansas Community College submitted a letter of intent to Arkansas Board of Nursing and was granted initial approval in 1976 to start an Associate of Applied Science Degree Nursing Program. The first class was admitted in fall of 1976 and graduated in spring of 1978. The Arkansas Board of Nursing granted full approval in 1978. In 1990, an LPN/LPTN accelerated track was developed and implemented in the summer of 1990. In 1993, the nursing program received initial accreditation from the National League of Nursing.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

East Arkansas Community College Nursing Program offers an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AASN). Once accepted, the program is 2 years in length (5 terms) for Traditional Track students, and 1 year (3 terms) for LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track students based on full time enrollment, exclusive of vacation time.

ACCREDITATION

East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program has met prescribed standards of excellence for nursing education as set forth by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN), which concerns itself with the quality of nursing education. East Arkansas Community College, Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program received full accreditation in September 2013 with next evaluation visit fall 2021. The address of the ACEN is 3343 Peachtree Road N.E., Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326. The phone number is (404) 975-5000. The web address is <http://www.acenursing.org>. ACEN is a resource for information regarding required tuition, fees, and length of program.

East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program is approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing (ASBN). The Arkansas State Board of Nursing granted full approval to the East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Degree Nursing Program with the next site visit scheduled for 2018. The address of the ASBN is University Tower Building, 1123 S. University, Suite 800, Little Rock, AR 72204. The phone number is (870) 686-2700. The web address is <http://www.arsbn.org>.

PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS

Graduation Rates

Graduation rates of students enrolled at East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program are as follows:

Number of students enrolled in program 2015		Number of students enrolled in program 2016		Number of students enrolled in program 2017	
Traditional	LPN	Traditional	LPN	Traditional	LPN
32	5	27	4	27	4
36		36		31	
Number of graduates from program 2014		Number of graduates from program 2015		Number of graduates from program 2015	
12		15		15	
Retention Rate		Retention Rate		Retention Rate	
35.48		50%		50%	

Assessment Exams

Students take Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) tests at specified times throughout the curriculum. This gives students the opportunity to compare their progress with other students nationally and to practice test-taking skills.

NCLEX-RN Pass Rates

Pass rates of NCLEX-RN, the licensing examination for nursing graduates to become a registered nurse, are as follows for the May graduating class.

2015	2016	2017
56.5%	93.3%	94.4%

Job Placement Rates

Follow-up surveys of employers and graduates have consistently demonstrated a high level of satisfaction with the program offered by East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program. The job placements rates for graduates within one year after graduation are as follows:

2015	2016	2017
100%	100%	100%

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program does not discriminate against any applicant/student and adheres to the College's Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, Non-discrimination policy. East Arkansas Community College is committed to provide equal opportunity through its employment practices, educational programs, admissions policies, scholarships and loan programs and services it offer to the community. The College will make personnel decision and offer programs that will foster educational opportunities without regard to race, color, national origin, age, gender, pregnancy status, or disability of qualified handicapped persons.

PHILOSOPHY

The Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program is an integral part of East Arkansas Community College and derives its philosophy from the mission and goals of the college. The philosophy guides the nursing faculty in providing quality educational opportunities.

We, the faculty of East Arkansas Community College, Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program, believe:

Each individual is unique, innately worthy of respect and dignity, and has the ability to contribute creatively to the environment. The individual is viewed as multifaceted with physiological, psychological, sociocultural, and spiritual components. The individual's behavior is motivated by a set of basic human needs and has the ability to adapt to environmental changes as they progress through the life span.

The environment is an aggregate of all internal and external dimensions affecting the health and self-care abilities of all individuals.

Health is a dynamic state of harmony and balance between individuals and their environments. Health is defined by the individual and reflects the individual's physical, psychosocial, and spiritual well-being along the health-illness continuum.

Nursing is a profession incorporating knowledge and principles of the humanities and sciences. Nursing functions independently, dependently, and interdependently with other health care providers to assist individuals and their families in meeting health care needs and achieving an optimal level of functioning in a racially, culturally, and ethnically diverse community. Nursing practice is based on standards and ethics formulated by the profession and implemented through the nursing process. Nursing encourages a holistic, interactive approach requiring a commitment to the value of caring, communication, collaboration, theoretical knowledge, critical thinking and clinical competence for implementation of the nursing process.

Teaching/learning is an active reciprocal process, which involves the teacher and learner. This process is directed toward achievement of desired competencies. Teaching/learning facilitates the application of knowledge and provides an environment that enhances mutual trust, motivation, creativity, critical thinking and clinical decision making. Learning is a continuous life-long process. The student's personal and professional growth is enhanced by assuming responsibility and accountability for the acquisition of knowledge and skills. The assessment of outcomes is used to determine student progress and to assist in program improvement.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the program of study, the graduate is prepared to:

1. Incorporate knowledge and principles from the sciences and humanities into nursing practice.
2. Function as part of the interdisciplinary health care team in selected health care settings with culturally diverse clients, families and communities across the life span.
3. Communicate therapeutically and effectively with clients, families, significant others, and other health care providers.
4. Provide evidenced based, clinically competent nursing care utilizing critical thinking and clinical decision making within the framework of the nursing process.
5. Function as a beginning practitioner, client educator, leader and manager of nursing care to clients along the health-illness continuum and in a variety of health care settings.
6. Practice within the legal and ethical framework of the standards of professional nursing.
7. Assume responsibility and accountability for seeking life-long learning opportunities for professional growth.

ABILITIES REQUIREMENT POLICY

In order to achieve the nursing curriculum objectives, a student must be able to:

1. Physically tolerate an 8-10 hour work day at a pace conducive to safe and effective nursing practice.
2. Stand and/or walk for prolonged periods of time in a clinical setting.
3. Walk up 2 flights of stairs and down 3 flights of stairs.
4. Lift and transfer patients to accomplish bed to chair and chair to bed transfers.
5. Apply up to 10 pounds of pressure to bleeding sites.
6. Lift at least 50 pounds using appropriate body mechanics.
7. Respond and react immediately to auditory instructions, requests, and/or monitor equipment.
8. Accurately perform auditory auscultation.
9. Perform close and distance visual activities involving objects, paperwork, people, as well as, discriminate depth and color perception.
10. Discriminate between sharp/dull and hot/cold when using hands.
11. Perform fine and gross motor movements with upper and lower extremities.
12. Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
13. Make appropriate decisions quickly and under stressful situations.
14. React in a calm and courteous manner when encountering hostile situations.
15. Perform multiple tasks simultaneously in order of priority.

PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE

In the spring semester of each academic year, recruiters from various hospitals provide information to be posted regarding job openings.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities who wish accommodations should contact the American Disabilities Act Coordinator, Hodges Student Services Complex, 633-4480, ext. 304. The admissions procedures for the Office for Students with Disabilities are as follows:

1. Student must provide the ADA contact with appropriate documentation giving evidence of a bonafide disability.
2. If necessary, the student will sign a release of information form to obtain documentation of disability.
3. Student will fill out an application for disabled student services.
4. The ADA contact will evaluate the needs of the student and inform him/her of accommodations which will be provided.
5. The Students with Disabilities Coordinator will inform instructors, Student Support Services, or other College personnel as appropriate for necessary accommodations.

RECRUITMENT POLICY

East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program recruits its students from within a culturally diverse community and seeks to reach traditional and non-traditional students, male and female, in a variety of age groups. The East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program conducts activities to attract prospective students in the private and public sector of education, as well as, in the general public.

ACCELERATED TRACK

This track is designed to enable qualified LPN/LPTN applicants who aspire to become professional nurses to do so within a minimum period of time and with a minimum duplication of course content and credits. Graduates may apply to take the National Council License Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION PROCESS

To be eligible for admission to the LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track, the applicant must:

1. Have graduated from an Arkansas approved or out-of-state board of nursing approved PN/PTN program.
2. Have a current, unencumbered Arkansas or multi-state LPN/LPTN license and submit proof (copy of License).
3. Be admitted to East Arkansas Community College (see current East Arkansas Community College Catalog for application and admission procedure.)
4. Complete all required general education courses with a minimum grade of “C” before admission to the LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track. (Credit for science and math courses must be no older than 5 years.)
5. Have an overall 2.80 grade point average (GPA) on transcripts from any and all colleges attended in the past ten years. (High school GPA may be considered if student does not have a college GPA.)
6. Submit a Nursing Application to the Department of Allied Health Science. Applicants who misrepresent/omit information from the application form become ineligible for admission or subject to dismissal after admission has been granted.
7. Take the Psychological Service Bureau (PSB) – Nursing School Aptitude Examination (RN) entrance test and score a minimum of 40 on three of the five tests. **This exam may be taken only once during the academic year. (Fee: \$50 and is non-refundable.) The applicant must pay the \$50 fee at the cashier’s office and bring the receipt to the Department of Allied Health Science to register for the exam. Again, the fee is non-refundable.**

The PSB - Nursing School Aptitude Examination (RN) is comprised of five tests and three subtests: Part I – Academic Aptitude (subtests: verbal, nonverbal, and arithmetic), Part II – Spelling, Part III – Reading Comprehension, Part IV – Information in the Natural Sciences, and Part V – Vocational Adjustment Index. This exam is administered to applicants by computer on the campus of EACC and is proctored.

(Assistance in preparing for the nursing program’s entrance exam can be found at www.eacc.edu. Click on the **Library** link on the home page → **Online Databases** → **Learning Express** → **occupation practice tests** → **nursing and allied health** → **entrance test preparation**. Here you will see a list of twelve practice entrance tests covering various topics. **Review help** on areas such as Math, Reading and Science skills: www.eacc.edu → **library** → **online databases** → **learning express** → **College Center**.

Additional links for preparation: **RNSAE – Registered Nursing School Aptitude Examination** go to www.PSBtests.com → **Resources for test taking** → **RNSAE sample questions**.

For additional information, call Keuna in the Allied Health Science Department at 870-633-4480 ext. 270.

8. Submit Validation of Work Experience (a letter from current supervisor indicating work experience). Work experience as an LPN/LPTN must be in accordance with the following chart:

Time	Validation of Recent Work Experience Required
0-6 months after graduation	No work experience required
6 – 12 after graduation	500 hours
12 – 24 months prior to admission	1000 hours

9. Request official transcript(s) to be mailed to **both** the registrar's office and the nursing program.

A. Registrar's Office
East Arkansas Community College
1700 Newcastle Road
Forrest City, AR 72335

B. Department of Allied Health Science
Nursing Program
1700 Newcastle Road
Forrest City, AR 72335

Transcripts must be sent from any college, university, school of nursing, vocational/technical and/or any other school(s) attended beyond high school or completion of a GED.

Note: Each transcript must be sent even if grades are recorded on another transcript. All transcripts must be mailed directly from the institution(s) to be considered official. All requested transcripts/information must be received by the application deadline.

10. Students who were previously enrolled in any nursing or allied health program at any institution and withdrew from ("W") or received a "D" or "F" in any two nursing or allied health courses or who twice withdrew ("W") or received "D" or "F" in any nursing or allied health course may seek readmission after a period of four years from the first admission to the Traditional Track nursing program and two years for the Accelerated Track. However, students must meet all current admission requirements and begin in Term I of the Traditional Track or Term III of the Accelerated Track.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

LPN/LPTNs are admitted to East Arkansas Community College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program Accelerated track once a year for Summer Admission.

DEADLINE FOR LPN/LPTN APPLICANTS

March 31 for Accelerated Track

All information must be received by March 31

If qualified applicant pool is not met by application deadline, the deadline may be extended at the discretion of the Restricted Enrollment Committee.

APPLICATION REVIEW/NOTIFICATION

LPN/LPTN applicants, whose files are completed by the **March 31 deadline**, will be considered by the Nursing Restricted Enrollment Committee for admission to the nursing program. Notification of the committee's action will be made by letter during the month of April. East Arkansas Community College's Nursing Program does not maintain a waiting list for students who meet the minimum requirements, but who are not offered admission. Applicants are admitted on space available.

ACCEPTANCE

Once an applicant has been accepted into the Accelerated Track, the candidate must:

1. Accept in writing by the date indicated on the acceptance letter.
2. Obtain CPR certification. Certification **must be** American Heart Association Healthcare Provider and include Adult, Child, Infant, Conscious, Unconscious, and Choking. Certification must be obtained prior to registration and must remain current for the entire program of study.
3. Have the following required immunizations with statement of proof:
 - a. Hepatitis B (The first shot in a series of three must be completed prior to registration or a waiver must be signed. Shots #2 and #3 must be completed as prescribed.)
 - b. Tetanus (Must be within the last 10 years)
 - c. Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
 - d. Tuberculin Test (TB). Proof of a current, negative TB skin test (within the last 12 months) or a negative chest x-ray is a requirement for registration.
 - e. Flu shot or must sign a waiver.
 - f. Varicella shot (chicken pox) or must sign a waiver.
4. Submit proof of health insurance.
5. **Complete Criminal Background Check and Drug Screen process.**

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

LPN/LPTN accelerated track students must complete all 2000 level nursing (NUR) courses in East Arkansas Community College's Nursing Program in order to graduate.

RETENTION/PROGRESSION, DISMISSAL, READMISSION AND GRADUATION POLICIES

LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track students will be held to same guidelines for retention and progression, dismissal, readmission, and graduation as Traditional Track students.

TRANSFER STUDENT INFORMATION

TRANSFER STUDENT POLICY

Students withdrawing from (“W”) or failing (“D” or “F”) the same nursing course twice or two separate nursing courses may seek admission to the Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program after a period of four years from the first admission to a previous nursing program. Students must meet all current admission requirements and begin in Term I of the traditional track or Term III of the accelerated track. Transfers are on space availability after meeting all other transfer requirements.

Transfer Requirements

To transfer into the nursing program, the student must:

1. Meet all current admission and transfer requirements for East Arkansas Community College (see current College Catalog for requirements). Students on academic suspension from another institution will be eligible for admission only after having remained out of school for one semester (not including a summer term) or being eligible to return to the previous institution.
2. Meet all current nursing program admission requirements.
3. Pass a drug calculation competency test with a score of 90% or higher. Sample drug calculation problems will be provided. Student will have one opportunity to successfully complete drug competency test.
4. Successfully complete a skills competency check-off with 90% accuracy. Skills list will be provided. Student will have one opportunity to successfully complete skills competencies.
5. Successfully complete the ATI (Assessment Technologies Institute) Content Mastery test(s) and attain an ATI Proficiency Level II or higher. Cost of the test(s) is \$35.00 each (subject to change).

Transfer Student Application Deadlines

Deadline to apply and meet all Transfer Requirements for Term II is October 1st and for Term III is May 31st.

Transfer Student Application Review/Selection/Notification

The transfer student whose file is completed by the deadline will be considered by the Restricted Enrollment Committee for admission into the Nursing Program. Notification of the Committee’s action will be made by letter one month after the application deadline. There is no provisional acceptance for applications not meeting the minimum requirements. East Arkansas Community College’s Nursing Program does not maintain a waiting list for students who meet the minimum requirements, but who are not offered admission. Admission is contingent on space availability.

Transfer Student Residency

Transfer students must complete all 2000 level nursing (NUR) courses in East Arkansas Community College’s Nursing Program.

LPN/LPTN to AASN Program Accelerated Track Curriculum Plan

Required General Education Courses

(Required before admission to the LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track)

			Semester Hours
BIO	2114	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO	2134	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
ENG	1013	English Composition I	3
ENG	1023	English Composition II	3
MTH	1113	College Algebra	3
PSY	1003	General Psychology	3
PSY	2003	Developmental Psychology	3
Total			23

Required Courses after Admission

Term III (Summer)

			Semester Hours
BIO	2504	Microbiology	4
NUR	1904	Role Transition for LPNs/LPTNs	4
NUR	1900	Clinical Applications of Role Transition for LPNs/LPTNs	0
NUR	2044	Mental Health Nursing	4
NUR	2040	Clinical Applications of Mental Health Nursing	0
Total			12

Term IV (Fall)

			Semester Hours
BUS	1603	Computer Fundamentals	3
NUR	2134	Medical Surgical Nursing II	4
NUR	2130	Clinical Applications of Medical Surgical Nursing II	0
NUR	2164	Maternal Child Nursing	4
NUR	2160	Clinical Applications of Maternal Child Nursing	0
SOC	1013	Introduction to Sociology-or-	
SOC	2043	Introduction to Anthropology	3
Total			14

Term V (Spring)

			Semester Hours
NUR	2242	Nursing Concepts and Intervention	2
NUR	2254	Medical Surgical Nursing III	4
NUR	2250	Clinical Applications of Medical Surgical Nursing III	0
NUR	2263	Nursing Leadership & Management	3
NUR	2260	Clinical Applications of Nursing Leadership & Management	0
Total			9

Total Credit Hours – Nursing	25
Total Credit Hours – General Education	33
Total Credit Hours – Escrow Account	4
Total Program Hours	62

NURSING CREDITS FOR PREVIOUS LEARNING

After successful completion of NUR 1904, four (4) hours of nursing credit will be held in escrow until completion of the nursing program.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

NUR 1900 Clinical Applications of Role Transition for LPNs/LPTNs (0-1-0)

The student will have simulated and actual opportunities to apply principles and skills used in the transition from the LPN/LPTN to the professional role of a registered nurse. Emphasis will be placed on the nursing process, physical assessment skills, client education, and care of acute and chronically ill clients. **Co-requisites: NUR 1904**

NUR 1904 Role Transition for LPNs/LPTNs (4-1-4)

This course allows the LPN/LPTN with current licensure and experience in nursing to develop necessary skills and knowledge to use as a base for transition to professional nursing. The course will review content in foundations of nursing and cover content in health assessment and care for lower acuity level clients in the medical surgical setting. Upon successful completion of this course, the LPN/LPTN will enter the 2000 level nursing courses. **Co-requisites: BIO 2504, NUR 1900 Assessment Fee: \$225**

NUR 2040 Clinical Applications of Mental Health Nursing (0-6-0)

This course gives the student an opportunity to apply principles of psychiatric/mental health nursing with clients and families. Special populations, cultural diversity, and risk factors of clients experiencing emotional illness will be emphasized. **Co-requisite: NUR 2044**

NUR 2044 Mental Health Nursing (2-6-4)

This course introduces the student to the theories of emotional health and restoration of health during acute and chronic emotional/behavioral illness. Emphasis will be on critical thinking, growth, and development, psychosocial/cultural diversity, communications and therapeutic interventions.

Prerequisites: All required courses from Terms I and II. Co-requisite: BIO 2504, NUR 2040 Assessment Fee: \$225, Malpractice Fee: \$50

NUR 2130 Clinical Applications of Medical-Surgical Nursing II (0-6-0)

The course accompanies NUR 2134 and focuses on rehabilitative care. Identification of skills based upon scientific principles for nursing practice with clients will be emphasized. **Prerequisites: All required courses from Terms I, II and III. Co-requisite: NUR 2134**

NUR 2134 Medical-Surgical Nursing II (2-6-4)

This course builds upon Medical-Surgical I and focuses on the chronic illness phases of the disease process. Rehabilitative stages will be emphasized. The life cycles issues of individual with chronic illness will be presented. The nursing process and critical thinking skills with case presentations will be utilized.

Prerequisites: All required courses from Terms I, II and III. Co-requisites: BUS 1603, NUR 2130, NUR 2160, NUR 2164, SOC 1013 or SOC 2043 Assessment Fee: \$225

NUR 2160 Clinical Applications of Maternal Child Nursing (0-6-0)

This course accompanies NUR 2164 and focuses on giving nursing care to clients in the pediatric and maternity settings. Students will provide care using the theoretical principles of maternal and child health. **Co-requisite: NUR 2164**

NUR 2164 Maternal Child Nursing**(2-6-4)**

This course will explore the concepts of childbearing and childrearing. It will focus on health promotion, family structures, and cultural diversity. The traditional role of the maternal and child nurse must expand to meet the challenges that changes and new technology are posing. With these concepts the student will use the nursing process in working with clients from birth through adolescence. **All required courses from Terms I, II and III. Pre or Co-requisites: BUS 1603, NUR 2130, NUR 2134, NUR 2160, SOC 1013 or SOC 2043**

NUR 2242 Nursing Concepts and Intervention**(2-0-2)**

This course is designed to further understand the concepts of environment and health in client care through core presentation, discussion, and content review. The nursing process will be utilized by the student through problem-solving and critical thinking skills in applying nursing interventions to client situations. **Prerequisites: All required courses from Terms I, II, III, IV.**

Co-requisites: NUR 2254, NUR 2263

NUR 2250 Clinical Applications of Medical-Surgical Nursing III**(0-6-0)**

This course accompanies NUR 2254. This course provides the student with the opportunity to apply theoretical principles when caring for the adult medical-surgical clients with complex disorders affecting the cardiac, respiratory and renal systems. The clinical course emphasizes the rehabilitative aspect of the client with complex disorders. **Co-requisite: NUR 2254**

NUR 2254 Medical-Surgical Nursing III**(2-6-4)**

This course is designed to introduce complex knowledge and skills applicable to the nursing care of an acute adult with multiple complex problems and the critically ill adult client experiencing alterations in the cardiac, respiratory, circulatory, and renal systems. The course builds on and reinforces previous knowledge and skill. The course reinforces ethical and legal implications, health promotion and maintenance, emotional, spiritual, physical, psychosocial integrity and developmental tasks of the adult.

Prerequisites: All required courses from Terms I, II, III, IV. Co-requisites: NUR 2250, NUR 2260, NUR 2264, NUR 2242 Assessment Fee: \$225

NUR 2260 Clinical Applications of Nursing Leadership & Management**(0-3-0)**

This course accompanies NUR 2263 and focuses on managing the nursing care to clients in the hospital setting. Students will provide and coordinate client care under the supervision of a nurse manager or charge nurse. Students will demonstrate the skill of coordinating care and applying leadership and management principles necessary to function in a complex health care environment.

Co-requisite: NUR 2263

NUR 2263 Nursing Leadership & Management**(2-3-3)**

This course is designed to give the student a broad understanding of where nursing has been in the past, where it is today, and where it is going in the future. Content will include influences affecting nursing practice and the education that is needed to practice in entry-level staff positions. Additional roles of the entry-level nurse will be discussed including coordinating interdisciplinary groups, prioritizing client needs, understanding the role of economics, politics, culture, legal, and ethical aspects and accepting accountability for delegating tasks. **All required courses from Terms I, II, III, IV. Pre or Co-requisites: NUR 2242, NUR 2254, NUR 2260**

EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S NURSING PROGRAM

COSTS OTHER THAN TUITION (ACCELERATED TRACK)

All costs are approximate and subject to change. All East Arkansas Community College students pay the same tuition rates subject to residency status as published in the Tuition and Fees section of the current East Arkansas Community College Catalog.

The following are approximate costs other than tuition for the LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track by Term. These costs are approximate and may change.

Expense	Term III		Term IV	Term V
	Summer I	Summer II		
Textbooks	~\$250	~\$100	~\$150	~\$300
Assessment Fee	\$225	\$225	\$225	\$225
Malpractice Insurance	\$50	X	X	X
Uniforms/Stethoscope/Shoes/Watch	~\$200	X	X	\$50
Nursing Bag (Laboratory Supplies)	~\$300	X	X	\$75
Health Insurance	varies	varies	varies	varies
Travel/Parking Fees for Clinical	X	~\$350	~\$350	~\$350
CPR Certification	~\$45	X	X	X
Immunization Requirements	~\$350	X	X	X
EACC Nursing Pin	X	X	X	~\$75-\$125
Nightingale Lamp	X	X	X	~\$30
NCLEX-RN	X	X	X	\$200
Licensure Fee for Arkansas	X	X	X	\$75
Temporary Permit (optional)	X	X	X	\$25
College Matriculation Fee	\$50	X	X	X
Criminal Background Check and Drug Screening for Clinical	\$150	X	X	X
Criminal Background for Licensure	X	X	X	~\$44

X = No cost during that term

~ = Approximate

FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

The Financial Aid Office at East Arkansas Community College seeks to provide financial assistance to any student who, without such support, could not attend the College. A comprehensive program of financial aid in the form of scholarships, loans, grants, and jobs is provided to qualifying students.

Please see current East Arkansas Community College Catalog for more information or visit the Financial Aid Office in the Hodges Building Complex.

ANECDOTAL RECORDS

Students are evaluated for each clinical rotation. Students are responsible for making an appointment with the clinical instructor to review anecdotal records.

CLINICAL GRADING POLICY

Grading Scale

Satisfactory - S
Unsatisfactory - U

Grading Criteria

Clinical performance is graded as either Satisfactory “S” or Unsatisfactory “U”. An “S” clinical performance indicates that the student successfully attained 90% of the objectives on the clinical evaluation tool.

The receipt of two (2) “U’s” in the same critical area during a semester will warrant immediate dismissal from the program.

Students will be oriented by the instructor regarding clinical objectives, methods of evaluation, and date of evaluation at the beginning of each clinical experience. Each student is expected to read and sign anecdotal notes as directed by the instructor for the clinical areas being reviewed in order to stay apprised of clinical progress. The student is responsible for scheduling an appointment with his/her clinical instructor for reviewing anecdotal notes. Students who are unsatisfactory in clinical practice at the end of a semester will be dismissed from the program for failure to successfully complete the clinical component regardless of the theory grade.

CLINICAL POLICIES

1. No appointments are to be made during clinical hours. In case of an emergency, clearance must be made through the instructor in order for a student to leave the clinical areas.
2. Post-conference is included in the required number of clinical hours per semester. Policies regarding appointments and absence during clinical apply to post-conference times.
3. Written assignments must be completed according to individual semester objectives.

CLOCK HOUR DEFINED

The clock hour is the basis for the unit of instruction. A clock hour is defined as a fifty-minute period. A credit hour is equivalent to one clock hour of classroom study or three hours of clinical practice per week.

HOURLY COMMITMENT

The minimum hours of commitment for students will be approximately forty (40) hours per week.

COMMUNICATION

Students will have access to course materials through **Blackboard**. Students should develop the habit of checking Blackboard course site *daily* for current information about the course and any changes that might occur. It is the student's responsibility to keep apprised of the course information that is posted on Blackboard. Information will be provided in class for accessing Blackboard site.

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Each nursing student will have an Allied Health faculty member as an academic advisor. Each student needs to make an appointment with her/his advisor at least once per semester, more if the student needs additional guidance. Every nursing student is encouraged to pre-register for the semester. During the pre-registration and registration period, the Nursing faculty posts available registration times. It is the student's responsibility to schedule the appointment.

COUNSELING

Students are referred to the East Arkansas Community College Counseling Department for personal counseling and/or referral services.

TUTORING

If a student achieves a grade less than 78% on any nursing theory exam/work, the student is encouraged to seek assistance from the:

- Student Support Services.
- Learning Center.
- Appropriate nursing faculty.

CPR CERTIFICATION

Obtain CPR certification. Certification **must be** American Heart Association Healthcare Provider and include Adult, Child, Infant, Conscious, Unconscious, and Choking. Certification must be obtained prior to registration and must remain current for the entire program of study.

EXIT INTERVIEW

The Director of Nursing will hold an exit interview with each graduating student. He/she will review the transcript and will make recommendations for study for the state board licensing examination. Any other subjects may be discussed at the discretion of both the student and Director.

GRADING SYSTEM

The grading policy for all nursing (NUR) courses is as follows:

1. The grading scale of all nursing (NUR) courses is:
 - A** 92-100
 - B** 84-91
 - C** 78-83
 - D** 71-77
 - F** 70 and below
2. The minimum score to pass any nursing course is 78. Fractional parts of numerical grades will be rounded off to the nearest whole number according to mathematical principles (i.e. 77.5 will become 78).
3. Both a minimum average of 78 in theory and a satisfactory in clinical/campus lab required activity and assignment are required in order to pass any nursing course. A satisfactory means that a student has achieved a minimum of 90% of all behaviors in clinical.
4. Failure of either the theory or clinical component of a nursing course results in the student repeating both the theory and clinical components.
5. Students will be given a computerized average of their grade after each exam so that there will be no question as to their academic standing.
6. Student will make an appointment with the appropriate faculty member when ever scoring less than 78% on a unit exam.
7. NO exam grades will be dropped.

ATI TESTING

Students are required to take scheduled ATI proctored assessment. These assessments are given at designated times during each course. Dates and times will be outlined in each course syllabus. A level II proficiency score must be achieved for successful completion of this course progression. A student will have two (2) attempts to achieve level II proficiency. If unsuccessful after the second opportunity, the student will receive no higher than "D" in the course and will not be able to progress.

GRADUATION POLICY

The Nursing Program subscribes to East Arkansas Community College's requirements for graduation (see current College Catalog for graduation information).

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Students who no longer wish to be enrolled in the Nursing Program must follow the Withdrawal Policies set forth in the current East Arkansas Community College Catalog.

ACADEMIC GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

The Nursing Program subscribes to East Arkansas Community College academic grievance procedure. Recognizing that both students and faculty have rights regarding academic matters, East Arkansas Community College sets forth an academic grievance procedure.

The procedure serves the purpose of:

1. Providing the student with redress and due process.
2. Protecting faculty rights in freedom of instruction.
3. Providing a mechanism for problem solving.
4. Achieving an equitable resolution of the grievance as quickly as possible.

The following steps are to be followed regarding student academic grievance:

1. The student meets with the faculty member regarding any problem. The student and faculty member should discuss the problem thoroughly and attempt to reach an agreement.
2. If an agreement cannot be reached between the student and faculty member, the appropriate Associate Vice President is contacted by the student. The student, faculty member, and the Associate Vice President are to meet together to thoroughly discuss the problem and attempt to attain a solution.
3. If a solution is not reached, the student may formalize the grievance by putting it in writing, including conditions giving rise to the grievance, names of parties involved, and the remedy requested. The written grievance is submitted to the Vice President for Academic Affairs. The Vice President first determines if previous steps in the process have been followed by the student and explains to the student the remaining steps in the process. The Vice President notifies the faculty member and the respective Associate Vice President that a grievance has been filed and supplies a copy of the written grievance to the faculty member and Associate Vice President. The issues of the grievance are thoroughly discussed in an attempt to reach an understanding and agreement. Within 48 hours (excluding holidays/weekends) after receiving the student's written grievance the Vice President for Academic Affairs will render a decision.
4. If an agreement is not reached, the student may contact the chairperson of the Academic Grievance Committee. The Academic Grievance Committee will be composed of one Associate Vice President, two faculty members, one student, and one student affairs staff member. The Associate Vice President, instructors, or students who are parties in the grievance may not serve as members of the Committee. The Committee is a standing committee, members of which shall be appointed by the College president at the beginning of each academic year. The President shall also appoint a corresponding set of alternate members. The Committee will meet to review all relevant information regarding the grievance. Witnesses may be called as needed. Only the student and faculty member involved are to be present during the committee hearing; however, if witnesses are to be called by the parties the Committee chairperson must be notified 24 hours prior to the hearing. The Committee renders a written decision, including its findings and recommendations within 48 hours of the hearing (excluding holidays and weekends).
5. The student or instructor may request a procedural review by the College President. The original grievance and final report of the Academic Grievance committee are submitted to the College president who reviews the information submitted. Within 48 hours (excluding holidays and weekends) after the President receives the information, the President will render a decision regarding the Committee's adherence to College and committee policy and procedure based on the written information submitted.
6. The President has the option to remand the Committee's findings to the Committee for further consideration.
7. The Grievance procedure must be initiated and completed prior to the end of the term succeeding the term in which the incident occurred (excluding summer terms).

TRANSPORTATION

Students are responsible for their own transportation to class, clinical settings, and any other function connected with the Nursing Program.

BOOKSTORE

Students may purchase nursing course textbooks from the bookstore at East Arkansas Community College. Phone Number (870) 633-4480 ext. 307.

DISMISSAL POLICY

Violation of classroom or clinical policies and procedures or personal misconduct will result in disciplinary actions and can result in immediate dismissal from the Nursing Program and the College. Actions subject to discipline include, but are not limited to: conduct dangerous to others, disorderly conduct, disruption of teaching in classroom or clinical settings, misuse of or damages to property, misuse of documents or identification cards or violations of state or federal laws. See also the Student Misconduct Policies and Procedure in the College Catalog.

Violation of the specific policies listed below may result in dismissal from the program:

1. A student will be dismissed from the Nursing Program when a grade of “D”, “F”, or “W” (withdrawn) has been received in the same nursing course twice or two separate nursing courses and may seek readmission after a period of four years from the first admission to the traditional track nursing program or two years for accelerated track. However, students seeking readmission must meet all current admission requirements and begin in Term I of the traditional track or Term III of the accelerated track.
2. Students dismissed from the Nursing Program for disciplinary reasons, as outlined in the Nursing Student Handbook, will be ineligible for readmission into the East Arkansas Community College’s Nursing Program.
3. Students must maintain current certification in CPR (American Heart Association Healthcare Provider), malpractice and health insurance for the entire program of study. Failure to do so will result in placing a hold on grades and registration and/or dismissal from the nursing program.

REFUND POLICY

No refunds of student tuition/fees will be made unless a student OFFICIALLY withdraws through the Office of Admissions and Registration. Full refunds are given only if a student officially drops or withdraws before the first day of the semester. If a refund is due to a student receiving financial aid from any Federal Financial Aid program, a portion of the refund shall be returned to the Financial Aid program in accordance with federal regulations. **Students who fail to follow the proper withdrawal procedures will be responsible for tuition once classes begin. Failure to attend classes does not constitute an official drop/withdrawal.**

No refunds are given for drops, withdrawals or non-attendance after the 11th day of a spring/fall semester or after the 11th day equivalent of a summer term.

Refund Schedule:

Credit Courses- Spring & Fall Semester

Prior to First Day of Semester 100%

First Day of Classes Through 11th Class Day 80%

After the 11th Class Day NONE

Credit Courses- Summer

Prior to First Day of Semester 100%

First Day of Classes Through 4th Class Day 50%

After 4th Class Day NONE

APPENDIX A

Graduating from a nursing program does not assure Arkansas State Board of Nursing's approval to take the licensure examination. Please read the following from the NURSE PRACTICE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, ACA §17,87,312 regarding criminal background checks.

NURSE PRACTICE ACT OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

TITLE 17

PROFESSIONS, OCCUPATIONS, AND BUSINESSES

SUBTITLE 3. MEDICAL PROFESSIONS

CHAPTER 87

NURSES

(Excerpt)

**ACA §17,87,312 copies in its entirety from the Nurse Practice Act
(p. 13, 15)**

(Permission granted from ASBN to copy this excerpt and distribute to students on July 1, 2011)

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Arkansas State Board of Nursing Nurse Practice Act 17,87,312. Criminal Background Checks.

(a) Each first-time applicant for a license issued by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall apply to the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police for a state and national criminal background check, to be conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

(b) The check shall conform to the applicable federal standards and shall include the taking of fingerprints.

(c) The applicant shall sign a release of information to the board and shall be responsible to the Department of Arkansas State Police for the payment of any fee associated with the criminal background check.

(d) Upon completion of the criminal background check, the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police shall forward to the board all information obtained concerning the applicant in the commission of any offense listed in subsection (e) of this section.

(e) Except as provided in subdivision (l)(1) of this section, no person shall be eligible to receive or hold a license issued by the board if that person has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the following offenses by any court in the State of Arkansas or of any similar offense by a court in another state or of any similar offense by a federal court:

(1) Capital murder as prohibited in § 5,10,101;

(2) Murder in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,10,102 and murder in the second degree as prohibited in § 5,10,103;

(3) Manslaughter as prohibited in § 5,10,104;

(4) Negligent homicide as prohibited in § 5,10,105;

(5) Kidnapping as prohibited in § 5,11,102;

(6) False imprisonment in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,11,103;

(7) Permanent detention or restraint as prohibited in § 5,11,106;

(8) Robbery as prohibited in § 5,12,102;

(9) Aggravated robbery as prohibited in § 5,12,103;

(10) Battery in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,13,201;

(11) Aggravated assault as prohibited in § 5,13,204;

(12) Introduction of controlled substance into the body of another person as prohibited in § 5,13,210;

(13) Terroristic threatening in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,13,301;

(14) Rape as prohibited in §§ 5,14,103;

(15) Sexual indecency with a child as prohibited in § 5,14,110;

(16) Sexual assault in the first degree, second degree, third degree, and fourth degree as prohibited in §§ 5,14,124 – 5,14,127;

(17) Incest as prohibited in § 5,26,202;

(18) Offenses against the family as prohibited in §§ 5,26,303 , 5,26,306;

(19) Endangering the welfare of an incompetent person in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,27,201;

(20) Endangering the welfare of a minor in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,27,203;

(21) Permitting abuse of a child as prohibited in § 5,27,221(a)(1) and (3);

(22) Engaging children in sexually explicit conduct for use in visual or print media, transportation of minors for prohibited sexual conduct, pandering or possessing visual or print medium depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, or use of a child or consent to use of a child in a sexual performance by producing, directing, or promoting a sexual performance by a child as prohibited in §§ 5,27,303 , 5,27,305, 5,27,402, and 5,27,403;

(23) Felony adult abuse as prohibited in § 5,28,103;

(24) Theft of property as prohibited in § 5,36,103;

(25) Theft by receiving as prohibited in § 5,36,106;

(26) Arson as prohibited in § 5,38,301;

(27) Burglary as prohibited in § 5,39,201;

(28) Felony violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act §§ 5,64,101 – 5,64,608 as prohibited in § 5,64,401;

(29) Promotion of prostitution in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,70,104;

- (30) Stalking as prohibited in § 5,71,229;
- (31) Criminal attempt, criminal complicity, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy as prohibited in §§ 5,3,201, 5,3,202, 5,3,301, and 5,3,401, to commit any of the offenses listed in this subsection;
- (32) Computer child pornography as prohibited in § 5,27,603; and
- (33) Computer exploitation of a child in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,27,605.
- (f)(1)(A) The board may issue a nonrenewable temporary permit for licensure to a first-time applicant pending the results of the criminal background check
- (B) The permit shall be valid for no more than six (6) months.
- (2) Except as provided in subdivision (l)(1) of this section, upon receipt of information from the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police that the person holding the letter of provisional licensure has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or has been found guilty of, any offense listed in subsection (e) of this section, the board shall immediately revoke the provisional license.
- (g)(1) The provisions of subsections (e) and subdivision (f)(2) of this section may be waived by the board upon the request of:
 - (A) An affected applicant for licensure; or
 - (B) The person holding a license subject to revocation.
- (2) Circumstances for which a waiver may be granted shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (A) The age at which the crime was committed;
 - (B) The circumstances surrounding the crime;
 - (C) The length of time since the crime;
 - (D) Subsequent work history;
 - (E) Employment references;
 - (F) Character references; and
 - (G) Other evidence demonstrating that the applicant does not pose a threat to the health or safety of the public.
- (h)(1) Any information received by the board from the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police pursuant to this section shall not be available for examination except by:
 - (A) The affected applicant for licensure, or his authorized representative; or
 - (B) The person whose license is subject to revocation or his or her authorized representative.
- (2) No record, file, or document shall be removed from the custody of the Department of Arkansas State Police.
- (i) Any information made available to the affected applicant for licensure or the person whose license is subject to revocation shall be information pertaining to that person only.
- (j) Rights of privilege and confidentiality established in this section shall not extend to any document created for purposes other than this background check.
- (k) The board shall adopt the necessary rules and regulations to fully implement the provisions of this section.
- (l)(1) For purposes of this section, an **expunged** record of a conviction or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to an offense listed in subsection (e) of this section shall not be considered a conviction, guilty plea, or nolo contendere plea to the offense unless the offense is also listed in subdivision (l)(2) of this section.
- (2) Because of the serious nature of the offenses and the close relationship to the type of work That is to be performed, the following shall result in permanent disqualification:
 - (A) Capital murder as prohibited in § 5,10,101;
 - (B) Murder in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,10,102 and murder in the second degree as prohibited in § 5,10,103;
 - (C) Kidnapping as prohibited in § 5,11,102;
 - (D) Rape as prohibited in § 5,14,103;
 - (E) Sexual assault in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,14,124 and sexual assault in the second degree as prohibited in § 5,14,125;
 - (F) Endangering the welfare of a minor in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,27,203 and endangering the welfare of a minor in the second degree as prohibited in § 5,27,204;
 - (G) Incest as prohibited in § 5,26,202;
 - (H) Arson as prohibited in § 5,38,301;
 - (I) Endangering the welfare of incompetent person in the first degree as prohibited in § 5,27,201; and
 - (J) Adult abuse that constitutes a felony as prohibited in § 5,28,103

Date Received
By: _____

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program
(LPN/LPTN Accelerated Track)
East Arkansas Community College
(870) 633-4480, Ext. 270 or (870) 633-7222 (FAX)

Please type or print:

Name: _____
 Last First Middle Maiden

Address: _____
 Street/P.O. Box City State Zip Code

Phone: _____
 Home Cell Work

ID #: _____ E-mail: _____

Please indicate type of admission sought:

_____ Initial Application _____ Readmission _____ Transfer

List all college/universities/technical schools attended. It is the student's responsibility to contact all of the institutions previously attended and request your **OFFICIAL** transcript be sent to **BOTH** the **Office of the Registrar and Department of Allied Health Science – Occupational Therapy Assistant Program**. Please use back of form, if more space is needed.

Note: Each transcript must be sent even if grades are recorded on another transcript. All transcripts must be mailed directly from the institution(s) to be considered official. All requested transcripts and information must be received by the application deadline.

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I certify that the above information is accurate. Applicants who misrepresent/omit information from the application form become ineligible for admission or subject to dismissal after admission has been granted.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

**East Arkansas Community College
Allied Health Science Department
Entrance Exam Form**

Applicant's Name: _____
(Please Print)

Student ID Number: _____

Instructions:

1. Complete this form and submit to EACC Cashier (located in the EACC Student Center) along with the appropriate payment for Entrance Exams.
2. Return this form, along with a copy of receipt, to the Department of Allied Health Science to schedule exam date(s). **Applicants will not be allowed to schedule or take Entrance Exams prior to providing proof of payment for Entrance Exam(s).**
3. **Exam Fees are not refundable.**
4. **Please mark the program in which you wish to take the entrance test(s). If you are applying for more than one program, you do not need to pay for the ATI Critical Thinking Entrance Exam twice.**

_____ Nursing Program (Traditional) (Total \$50)

A. PSB Entrance Exam

_____ Nursing Program (LPN Accelerated Track) (Total \$50)

A. PSB Entrance Exam

_____ Radiologic Technology Program (Total \$35)

A. ATI Critical Thinking Entrance Exam

_____ **If taking both ATI & PSB Entrance Exams** (Total \$60)

Location: Computer Education Center – Room 1

Dates:

Day	Date	Exam Times	
Friday	Feb 16	8:00 am	
Friday	Mar 9	8:00 am	
Friday	Mar 30	8:00 am	Deadline for LPN Track applicants 3/31
Friday	Apr 13	8:00 am	
Friday	Apr 27	8:00 am	
Wednesday	May 2	9:00 am	
Thursday	May 31	12:30 pm	Deadline for Traditional Track applicants

Photo Identification (driver's license or school I.D.) required for admission to test.

Fees and Registration details:

PSB fee - \$50.00

Nursing applicants **only**, test may take up to 3 hours

The PSB exam fee payment can be made in person at the cashier's office or by telephone to the cashier at ext. 202. The fee must be paid in advance. After paying the fee, contact Keuna Adams at ext. 270 or come to office building 5 to register for an exam date.

ATI Critical Thinking exam fee - \$40.00

Radiological Technology applicants only, test may take up to 1 hour.

Applicants taking the **Critical Thinking** exam will need a **credit/debit card** with them at time of testing for **online payment**. Call Keuna Adams at ext. 270 or come to Office Building 5 to register for the Critical Thinking exam.

Note: Exams fees are not refunded and the exam can be taken only once per year.

For Nursing Applicants only: Test Information/Practice tests

RNSAE - Registered Nursing School Aptitude Examination go to www.PSBtests.com àResources for test taking à RNSAE sample questions

www.eacc.edu →library →online databases → learning express→ Career Center à Prepare for occupation exams→ prepare for nursing school entrance tests → nursing school practice tests/eBooks.

www.eacc.edu →library →online databases →learning express →College Center; here you will find review help on areas such as Math, Reading, Grammar, and Science skills.

**For additional information call Keuna, Allied Health Science Department
870-633-4480 ext. 270**