

GALVESTON COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
TRANSITION LVN to ADN or PARAMEDIC to ADN
ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR SUMMER 2019

Application Deadline March 5th, 2021 Application

Instructions: Please read **carefully** and follow **all** instructions:

1. If you are not currently a Galveston College student, you must apply for admission to Galveston College following the guidelines in the General Catalog. Along with the application to the College, submit Official Transcripts from all universities and colleges you have attended to the **Office of Admissions, 4015 Avenue Q, Galveston, Texas 77550.**

The Galveston College application is separate from the one required by the Transition Nursing Program. Applicants will be considered for admission for the Nursing Department after students are admitted to Galveston College.

2. Submit the attached application for admission to the Department of Nursing in the Regents Hall of Galveston College by **March 5th, 2021**. This application is formatted for download from the Nursing Department webpage and completion on your computer (except for your signature). Once completed, print, sign, and submit the application. Hard copy applications are also available from the Nursing Department. For a complete application, please submit: Photo copy of valid ID or driver's license, all college transcripts, letter of recommendation, CastleBranch summary page reflecting uploaded immunizations/ background summary page, valid TEAS test scores.
3. Meet the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) standards with a math score of at least 350 within the past 5 years, or successfully complete any of the following developmental math courses: MATH 0308, 0314, 0324, 0332, 0342, or MATH 0304 (taken between fall 2016-fall 2019), or pass any college-level math course (no expiration).
4. Achieve a GPA of 3.0 or higher. If at the time you apply, you have grades in any courses that are part of the Transition program, the GPA of those grades must be at least 3.0. Grades that are not part of the Transition program will not count in the GPA.
5. Obtain a clear background check. Once you apply to the nursing program, your name will be sent on a list to the Texas Board of Nursing (TBON). You will be sent instructions by the TBON to schedule an appointment for fingerprinting. Once your fingerprints and background check have been cleared you will receive a BLUE CARD (postcard) from TBON. You must bring this card to the Department of Nursing where a copy will be made and the original will be returned to you. You can also take a picture of the front and back of the blue card and send it by email to Dyone Little at: dlittle2@gc.edu. If you have had any prior criminal convictions or have been treated for certain mental illnesses (see list below) you may be required by the TBON to submit a Petition for a Declaratory Order of

eligibility, which will determine your eligibility to take the licensure examination upon completion of the nursing program.

If you answer yes to any of the following questions you may be required to submit a Petition for Declaratory Order (https://www.bon.texas.gov/forms_declaratory_order.asp).

❖ **FOR ANY CRIMINAL OFFENSE, INCLUDING THOSE PENDING APPEAL, HAVE YOU:**

- a. Been arrested and have a pending criminal charge?
- b. Been convicted of a misdemeanor?
- c. Been convicted of a felony?
- d. Pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
- e. Received deferred adjudication?
- f. Been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
- g. Been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? Court ordered confinement?
- h. Been granted pre-trial diversion?
- i. Been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
- j. Been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
- k. Been subject of a court-martial: Article 15 violation: or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?
- l. Are you currently the target or subject of a grand jury or government agency investigation?
- m. Has ANY licensing authority refused to issue a license or ever revoked, annulled, canceled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew a professional license, certificate, or multi-state privilege held by you now or previously, or ever fined, censured, reprimanded or otherwise disciplined you?
- n. Within the past five (5) years have you been addicted to and/or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?
- o. Within the past five (5) years have you been diagnosed with, treated, or hospitalized for schizophrenia, and/or psychotic disorders, bipolar disorder, paranoid personality disorder, antisocial personality disorder, or borderline personality disorder which impaired or does impair your behavior, judgement, or ability to function in school or work?

The Petition for Declaratory Order may take several months, so begin work on this as soon as you receive instructions from the Board of Nursing to do so. Once you receive the official letter of eligibility from the Board of Nursing, you MUST bring the letter to the Nursing Department and we will make a copy for your permanent file and return the original to you.

6. Admission to the Transition Program is contingent upon successful completion of a Criminal Background check via CastleBranch. To place your order go to:
<https://portal.castlebranch.com/gf14>

The Transition application for admission will be evaluated on the following basis:

- A. **Grade point average of 3.0 or > for science courses:** BIOL 2401, 2402 and 2421. These courses must be taken within 5 years of program start.

- B. **Grade point average of 3.0 or > for all prerequisite courses:** BIOL 2401, 2402 and 2421, ENGL 1301; RNSG 1215 Health Assessment, RNSG 1301 Pharmacology; and meet the Math requirement.

- C. TEAS Entrance Exam: Minimum of 65 cumulative score on the TEAS Exam. Visit www.atitesting.com for more information. Please note, the exam MUST be taken prior to the application deadline and may only be taken twice per admission period.

- D. Letter of Recommendation: Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation with their application from a former vocational nursing director or faculty, or immediate supervisor from a recent nursing employer. The letter must address professionalism, dependability, and nursing skill proficiency for the applicant.

- E. Admission criteria are listed on the Galveston College website in the nursing section and in the General Catalog.

- F. The number of applicants admitted to the Nursing Program is based on the faculty, clinical, and space availability.

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE
TRANSITION LVN-to-ADN / PARAMEDIC-to-ADN
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING

- Admission to the Transition Program is contingent upon successful completion of a Criminal Background check via CastleBranch.
- Completion of ALL items on this application; incomplete applications **will not** be considered.
- Remember you may be contacted by phone, email or regular mail during the application process. **The Nursing Department must have your current contact information.** If you phone, address, or email changes, please contact the department immediately at: (409) 944-1396. **Your PERSONAL e-mail address is required.**

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Maiden

GC Student ID#	Personal E-Mail Address	GC E-Mail Address

Home Phone	Work Phone	Cell Phone

Mailing Address (this is the address that I want to use for all correspondence from the Nursing Department)

Street, P.O. Box, Route, Apt.	City	County	State	Zip Code

Permanent Address

Street, P.O. Box, Route, Apt.	City	County	State	Zip Code

Emergency Contact Information

Name	Phone
Address, City, State, Zip Code	

I have taken/registered to take the TEAS Test

Date: _____ Location: _____

I am a licensed LVN in the state of _____

I am a licensed Paramedic in the state of _____

ALL LVNs and PARAMEDICS MUST HAVE A CLEAR AND UNENCUMBERED LICENSE

State Licensure Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

List all colleges attended, with dates of attendance, prior to applying to the nursing program:

College/University	Degree or Certificate Awarded	Dates Attended / Graduated

List any degrees awarded at the baccalaureate or higher level:

Degree	Major	Institution	Year Awarded

Have you ever been enrolled in another nursing program? Yes No

If yes, which program: _____

Reason for leaving: _____

Applicant Signature

Date

REQUIRED CORE AND PRE-REQUISITE COURSES FOR LVN & PARAMEDIC TRANSITION STUDENTS

Course	Semester	Year	Grade	Location (Campus)
*ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I (BIOL 2401)				
*ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II (BIOL 2402)				
*MICROBIOLOGY (BIOL 2421)				
*ESSENTIALS OF MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY (HPRS 1206)				
*HEALTH ASSESSMENT (RNSG 1215)				
*MATH 0308 or higher, or SATISFY TSI with MATH score of 350 or higher				
*ENGLISH COMPOSITION (ENGL 1301)				
CREATIVE ARTS, LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY, CULTURE (One 3 credit course)				
GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (PSYC 2301)				
LIFESPAN, GROWTH, AND DEVELOPMENT (PSYC 2314)				
PHARMACOLOGY (RNSG 1301) Co-Requisite Summer Session1 or within last 12 months				

For Paramedic Transition Students ONLY:

NURSING SKILLS FOR ARTICULATING STUDENTS RNSG 1140 ONLY SUMMER SESSION 1

***All prerequisite course must be completed prior to entrance into the transition program.**

All Sciences and Math to be taken within five years of program entry.

No grade lower than a "C" is accepted.

RNSG 1215 Health Assessment is a pre requisite must be taken within 24 year of program entry. Pre-requisite courses must be completed prior to admission into this course. (See Catalog).

Pharmacology RNSG 1301 can be taken during Summer 1 but if taken before program begins, it must be within 24 months of program entry. Pre-requisite courses must be completed prior to admission into this course. (See Catalog).

GALVESTON COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
STANDARDS FOR NURSING STUDENTS

Responsibilities and standards in nursing practice are determined by the Texas Board of Nursing, national accreditation guidelines, and clinical agencies. Additionally, as described in various clinical evaluation tools and course guidelines, students **MUST BE** able to provide safe patient care.

Technical Standards for Nursing Practice: Nursing is a practice discipline and successful completion of the nursing program requires that students demonstrate ability to effectively and safely perform several essential skills. ALL students are assessed in practice labs and clinical practicums throughout the program to confirm adherence to the technical standards, with or without accommodations.

Intellectual Requirements: Critical thinking is an important part of clinical judgment needed to provide safe patient care. Students must be able to measure, calculate, reason, and quickly analyze information in order to apply complex information in the classroom and clinical settings.

Gross and Fine Motor Requirements: Nursing students must be able to provide general care (including preparing medications and administering treatment and completing patient assessments). For example, students must be able to perform basic life support (CPR), function in an emergency situation, and have the ability (within reasonable limits) to assist a patient in moving, such as from the chair to the bed. Must be able to lift 50 pounds. Must be able to see marking on syringes to be able to administer medications. Must be able to hear blood pressure, heart, lungs and bowel sounds.

Observation Skills: Student nurses must be able to observe patients accurately to assess their condition and perceived signs of disease and response to treatments through physical examination, including visual images, auditory information (patient voice, heart tones, bowel sounds, and lung sounds), and palpable changes in certain organs and tissues.

Communication Requirements: Nursing students must be able to communicate effectively with patients, staff, physicians, and family members, verbally and in a written format. Students must be able to process and accurately convey information about the patient's status to faculty, staff, and other healthcare providers in a timely manner.

Social and Behavioral Requirements: Student nurses must possess sufficient mental and emotional health to exercise good judgment, promptly complete assessments, and function in what can be a physically and emotionally demanding dynamic environment. Nursing students must be able to demonstrate compassion, empathy, and concern for others while maintaining a mature, sensitive, and effective relationship with patients, families and other professionals.

