



Program Description

The Rogers State University Nursing Program began in 1981. It is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

RSU offers an option to facilitate the transition from NREMT-P or LPN to RN. It is designed to provide nationally licensed paramedics and Oklahoma licensed LPNs with educational opportunities, in both classroom and clinical settings and to prepare them to enter the profession of nursing upon graduation. The 65-credit hour program is designed to provide a solid foundation, training and experience that meet all the recognized national and state accreditation guidelines. Graduates are eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination through a state licensing board to become a Registered Nurse. RSU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

Degree Awarded

Associate of Applied Science in Nursing

Notice

The RSU Associate Degree Nursing Program is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. Applicants for Oklahoma licensure must meet all state and federal requirements to hold an Oklahoma license to practice nursing. In addition to completing a state-approved nursing education program, requirements include submission of an application for licensure, which includes submitting a fingerprint criminal history records search conducted by the FBI and OSBI not more than three (3) months prior to submission of the application [59 O.S. §567.5] and successfully passing the licensure examination. To be granted a license, an applicant must have the legal right to reside in the United States (United States Code Chapter 8, Section 1621). The Board has the right to deny a license to an individual with a history of criminal background, disciplinary action on another health-related license or certification, or judicial declaration of mental incompetence [59 O.S. §567.8]. These cases are considered on an individual basis at the time application for licensure is made, with the exception of felony charges. An individual with a felony conviction or who had sentencing terms imposed by the court related to a deferred sentence for a felony offense cannot apply for licensure for at least five years after completion of all sentencing terms, including probation and suspended sentences, unless a presidential or gubernatorial pardon is received [59 O.S. §567.5, 567.6, & 567.6a].

The Board of Nursing, by law, has authority and legal jurisdiction over basic educational programs of nursing, nursing practice and nursing licensure in Oklahoma. The *Oklahoma Nurse Practice Act and Rules* are available on the Oklahoma Board of Nursing web site at www.ok.gov/nursing.

Associate Degree Nursing Program Paramedic/LPN to RN Bridge Option

Admission to the program is annual and the online nursing application will be available from **November 1st – February 1st**.

Admission Requirements

1. Reading Score of: ACT Reading 19, ACT Compass 83, or Nelson-Denny 13
2. All academic deficiencies cleared including Computer Science. Proficiency in Computer Science may be achieved through Advanced Standing or successfully passing CS 1113 Microcomputer Applications with a “C” or better.
3. Required GPA of the nine (9) pre-requisite courses of 2.5 or higher. All Pre-requisites must be completed by the end of the Spring semester.
4. LPNs who graduated from a non ACEN accredited practical nursing program and Paramedics who have graduated without a degree in Emergency Medical Services will need to earn a satisfactory score on a Fundamentals of Nursing exam. LPNs who graduated from an ACEN accredited program and Paramedics who have a degree in Emergency Medical Services are exempt from taking the Fundamentals of Nursing exam.

General Education Courses	23
BIOL 1144 General Cellular Biology ^{1,3}	4
ENGL 1113 Composition I ¹	3
ENGL 1213 Composition II	3
PSY 1113 Introduction to Psychology	3
Guided Elective ¹ (Choose one: Speech, Intro to Sociology, Value & Ethics, or Logic).....	3
ORIE 1151 The College Experience ^{1,4}	1
POLS 1113 American Federal Government.....	3
History Elective (Choose one: HIST 2483 OR HIST 2493.....)	3
Program Requirements	27
NURS 1191 Dosage Calculation ^{1,2}	1
NURS 1111 Nursing Concepts	1
NURS 1433 Bridge to Registered Nursing ⁵	3
NURS 2138 Therapeutic Nursing Interventions II	8
NURS 2223 Transition to Nursing Practice.....	3
NURS 2246 Nursing in a Complex Environment.....	6
NURS 2005 Basic Patient Care I ⁶ (accredited)	5
OR	
NURS 2015 Basic Patient Care II ⁶ (non-accredited).....	5
Support and Related	15
BIOL 2215 Anatomy and Physiology ^{1,3}	5
BIOL 2124 Microbiology ^{1,3}	4
NUTR 1113 Introduction to Nutrition ¹	3
PHAR 2113 Fundamentals of Pharmacology ^{1,4}	3
Total Credit Hours	65

¹Prerequisite courses

²Math deficiencies must be cleared before placement into NURS 1191

²NURS 1191 Dosage Calculation must be taken within 2 years preceding admission

³Required sciences must be completed within 5 years of nursing program admission

⁴Must be taken at Rogers State University

⁵Course is taught on the RSU Bartlesville Campus during a 2-week period in July

⁶Course represents Advanced Standing credits

Contact the Department of Health Sciences at 918-343-7635 or visit the RSU Nursing Program web site at www.rsu.edu/nursing.

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