



# **Nursing Science (Beginning Track) Associate in Applied Science Degree**

## **CAREER INFORMATION**

Registered nurses (RN's) work to promote health, prevent disease, and help patients cope with illness. They are advocates and health educators for patients, families, and communities. When providing direct patient care, they observe, assess, record symptoms, reactions, and progress; assist physicians during treatments and examinations; administer medications; and assist in convalescence and rehabilitation. They also develop and manage care plans; instruct patients and their families in proper care; and help individuals take steps to improve or maintain their health.

## **APPLICATION PERIOD**

February 1 - April 1 for fall entry; July 1 - September 1 for spring entry. Applications can be downloaded from the program website during these periods.

## **CLASS SIZE**

Max of 48, dependent upon clinical availability and number of qualified applicants

## **PROGRAM LENGTH**

Upon admission to the program, the course of professional study is four semesters in length, beginning in August or January. However, there are prerequisite courses that must be completed before beginning the program.

## **PROGRAM HOURS**

Our nursing program is delivered in a hybrid format, with daytime and evening/weekend options available, offering the flexibility of online learning with the essential hands-on experience of in-person training.

Lectures are recorded and delivered online, allowing students to rewatch them as needed for better understanding. While lectures must be viewed by specific deadlines, the recorded format offers flexibility in how and when students review the material within those timeframes. On-campus theory classes are optional but highly encouraged, providing opportunities for live interaction, clarification, and academic support.

Attendance is required for all labs and clinical rotations, which are conducted in person and are vital for developing hands-on nursing skills and meeting clinical competency requirements.

## **ACCREDITATION**

This degree is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing and is accredited by the: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)  
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, Georgia 30326  
(404)975-5000, [www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org), <http://nursing.ok.gov>

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE SEQUENCING

**\*Students that have failed an RN program two times are not eligible to apply. \***

### GENERAL ED & SUPPORT/RELATED

**All courses must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher prior to beginning the program.**

|           |                                |           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| ENGL 1113 | English Comp I                 | HSBC 1113 | Medical Terminology            |
| ENGL 1213 | English Comp II+               | HSBC 2114 | Human Anatomy+*                |
| HIST 1483 | U.S. History to 1877 <u>or</u> | CHEM 1114 | Introductory Chemistry+        |
| HIST 1493 | U.S. History since 1877        | BIOL 2424 | Human Physiology+*             |
| POLS 1113 | American Federal Government    | HSBC 1224 | Intro to Clinical Microbiology |
| PSYC 1113 | Introduction to Psychology     |           |                                |

+Check course description for prerequisite that must be met.

**\*HSBC 1104 Anatomy & Physiology is not accepted as a prerequisite course.**

### PROFESSIONAL COURSES

#### First Semester (9 cr. hrs.)

HSNS 1111 Intro to Prof. Nursing Skills  
HSNS 1118 Professional Nursing Concepts I

#### Third Semester (9 cr. hrs.)

HSNS 2119 Prof. Nursing Concepts III

#### Second Semester (9 cr. hrs.)

HSNS 1219 Professional Nursing Concepts II

#### Fourth Semester (9 cr. hrs.)

HSNS 2219 Prof. Nursing Concepts IV

Rose State College will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities in order for students to have access to educational programs and services. Students requiring accommodations should contact the Student Access Services (SAS) office at least one week prior to the need for accommodations. SAS, located in the Learning Resources Center, Room 106, can also be contacted at (405) 733-7373.

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates are eligible to apply for licensure by examination (NCLEX-RN) in Oklahoma, any state in the US, and other jurisdictions specified by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing ([www.ncsbn.org](http://www.ncsbn.org)). Applicants with certain felony convictions may not be eligible to test for licensure. An initial determination of eligibility for licensure petition from the Oklahoma Board of Nursing can be accessed for a fee at <http://nursing.ok.gov/initialdeterm.pdf>.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

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1. **Apply to Rose State College** (if not currently enrolled).
  - Applicants must be admitted to the college through the Admissions office before application to the Nursing Science Program can be made.
  - **Official** college transcripts(s) of coursework not completed at Rose State College must be submitted to the Admissions office.
  - Submit a request for a **degree audit** for the Nursing Science Program. (Only required if student has out-of-state credits.) Information regarding the degree audit and how to submit can be accessed online. <https://www.rose.edu/content/admissions-aid/admissions-records/degree-audit/>
2. **Submit the Nursing Science application** to include:
  - a. **College Transcript copies** from all institutions, **IF** originals have not already been submitted to the Rose State College Admissions office. Attach transcripts **ONLY** if you are currently enrolled in pre-reqs at another school. Otherwise, no copies are necessary.
  - b. **Next-Generation Accuplacer test results:** Writing, Reading, and Math 1 (Arithmetic). All applicants must take the Accuplacer exams within three (3) years prior to application. **If** tests are taken at Rose State, copies of scores are not necessary.
  - c. **Copy of licensure or certification**, if applicable.

**ACCEPTANCE:** Applicants are notified of acceptance in May and October.

## CRITERIA FOR PROGRAM SELECTION

All applicants are reviewed by the criteria listed below. The highest numerically ranked applicants are selected. There are 125 total points possible. The minimum number of points needed for acceptance will vary each year based on competitiveness of the applicant pool.

| Next-Generation ACCUPLACER                           |              |                |              |                      |              |
|--|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Scores must be < 3 years old at time of application. |              |                |              |                      |              |
| Sentence Skills (Writing)                            |              | Reading Skills |              | Math 1 (Pre-Algebra) |              |
| Scores   | Points       | Scores         | Points       | Scores               | Points       |
| 200-249  | Not eligible | 200-249        | Not eligible | 200-249              | Not eligible |
| 250-265  | 5            | 250-265        | 5            | 250-265              | 5            |
| 266-284  | 10           | 266-284        | 10           | 266-284              | 10           |
| 285-300  | 15           | 285-300        | 15           | 285-300              | 15           |
| Total points possible: 45                            |              |                |              |                      |              |

| Residence   |   |
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| Completion ("C" or better) of at least 18 credit hours of the Program pre-requisites at RSC | 2 |

| <b>Grade Point Average</b>   |        |
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| GPA is calculated using <u>required</u> program pre-requisite courses <u>only</u> .<br>The highest grade earned in each course will be used in GPA calculations. |        |
| GPA Range  | Points |
| 2.50 – 2.79  | 15     |
| 2.80 – 3.19  | 25     |
| 3.20 – 3.59  | 35     |
| 3.60 – 4.00  | 40     |
| Total points possible: 40  |        |

| <b>Course Completion</b>  |   |
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| Awarded only if the course is completed with “C” or better at the time of application |   |
| ENGL 1113 English Composition I   | 2 |
| ENGL 1213 English Composition II  | 2 |
| HIST 1483 U.S. History to 1877 or<br>HIST 1493 U.S. History since 1877                | 2 |
| POLS 1113 American Federal Government   | 2 |
| PSYC 1113 Introduction to Psychology  | 2 |
| HSBC 1113 Medical Terminology   | 3 |
| HSBC 2114 Human Anatomy   | 5 |
| CHEM 1114 Introductory Chemistry  | 5 |
| HSBC 1224 Introduction to Clinical Microbiology                                       | 5 |
| BIOL 2424 Human Physiology  | 5 |
| Total points possible: 33   |   |

| <b>Optional Coursework</b>  |   |
|---|---|
| Awarded only if the course is completed with a “C” or better at the time of application |   |
| HES 2323 Nutrition  | 1 |
| PSYC 2213 Developmental Psychology  | 1 |
| HSBC Human Pathology  | 1 |
| Total points possible: 2  |   |

| <b>Health Care Experience</b>  |   |
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| Licenses and certifications must be current. Only those listed will be accepted. |   |
| Practical Nurse  | 3 |
| Paramedic  | 2 |
| AUA, CNA, CHHA, RRT, CRT, CMA (certified medical assistant), EMT, OTA, PTA       | 1 |
| Total points possible: 3   |   |

For more information, please visit our website at:  
<https://www.rose.edu/content/academics/academic-divisions/health-sciences/nursing-science/>

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