

FROM HOSPITALS TO CLINICS TO HOME HEALTH CARE,

## REGISTERED NURSES ARE IN DEMAND.

Working in a variety of settings and serving an array of clients, they have more complex roles than ever.

## WHY CHOOSE APSU'S SCHOOL OF NURSING?

Austin Peay's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) program will prepare you to practice in any setting – or continue on to graduate school. You'll learn nursing theory and skill sets through classroom lectures, hospital and simulation clinical experiences, lab exercises and group work.



Through mentoring and innovative teaching, your instructors will set the stage for your success. You will gain the skills and knowledge needed to care for individuals, families, groups and communities. Additionally, the complex skill sets and clinical reasoning you will develop through the program will prime you for lifelong learning in practice.

## COURSEWORK

During your first three semesters at APSU, you will be considered a "prenursing" major. You will complete 49 core credit-hours of general education and nursing prerequisite courses.

Nursing prerequisites include

- Anatomy and Physiology I and II (with labs)
- Microbiology (with lab)
- General Psychology
- Developmental Psychology
- Introduction to Sociology
- Elements of Statistics

Once you complete these credit-hours and APSU's core education courses, you can apply for admission to the nursing program. Upon acceptance, you will begin the upper-division sequence of courses in preparation for the professional nursing role.

## NURSING

## LICENSURE EXAM

As a graduate of APSU's School of Nursing, you will be academically eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for registered nurse licensure (NCLEX-RN). Our graduates perform well on the NCLEX-RN.



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

With technology allowing for treatment of more illnesses and life expectancy continually increasing, the demand for nurses is greater than ever. In fact, even though nursing is the largest health care occupation in the country<sup>1</sup>, researchers predict a national shortage of 800,000 nurses by 2020.<sup>2</sup>



# DEGREE AT A GLANCE

Degree	Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Program Length	Four years
Program Admission	Competitive based on GPA and score on Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)
Timeline	Three semesters of general education and nursing prerequisites are followed by five semesters of upper-division courses. <sup>3</sup>
Job Preparation	Licensed registered nurse
Licensure	Graduates are academically eligible to take the NCLEX-RN.
Job Prospects	<b>Excellent<sup>4</sup></b>

<sup>1</sup> Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2008-09 Occupational Outlook Handbook

<sup>2</sup> Source: Peter Buerhaus, The Journal of the American Medical Association, 2000

<sup>3</sup> After completing core education courses and nursing prerequisites, students must apply for admission to the nursing program. Admission is competitive.

<sup>4</sup> Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2008-09 Occupational Outlook Handbook



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