

# NURSING

The Division of Nursing offers the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree (AAS) in Wilburton and Idabel. Students who complete this degree are eligible to take the examinations necessary to qualify for licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN)\*. There is an accelerated track available for students who are Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN).

\*subject to OBN regulations

## Division of Nursing Nursing (A.A.S.)

The A.A.S. in Nursing is designed for students who wish to become eligible to take the examination for registered nurses (RN) upon completion of the two year degree. Students who desire to become candidates for the Associate Degree in Nursing are required to make a formal application to the Division of Nursing for admission. This application is available in the Nursing Department and must be submitted on or before February 15<sup>th</sup> for the basic program and Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> for Transition (Bridge) program of each year to guarantee consideration. Formal approval by the Nursing Division is required before a student is admitted into nursing courses. Admission is highly competitive. GPA or ACT scores, and specific previous grades, especially in science classes, are considered. Call 918.465.1794 for additional information.

Eastern Oklahoma State College nursing program is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing and the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) New York, NY. [www.nlnac.org](http://www.nlnac.org)

The A.A.S. in nursing has two tracks:

- **Basic Licensure Program.** This track is for students who are not already LPNs. Two years (four semesters) of full time academic study are required to complete the program. However students may take reduced hours during the prerequisite work to accommodate work/family obligations.
- **LPN–RN Transition (“Bridge”) Program.** This track is available to students who have been practicing as Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) or Paramedic. To qualify for admission, one must be a LPN/Paramedic with at least 800 documented hours of nursing work experience and a positive written reference from the present employer. To enter the bridge program, the LPN/Paramedic must pass examinations in nursing fundamentals, obstetrics and pediatrics.\*

After completion of the A.A.S, the graduate is eligible to take the NCLEX–RN exam. \*\* Upon successful passage of this exam, the student becomes a registered nurse prepared to pursue a career in nursing. Students who wish to go on to the B.S. in Nursing (B.S.N.) after becoming a RN can enter RN to BSN programs at several universities.

\*Graduates of NLNAC accredited practical nursing programs may be exempted from this testing through direct articulation.

\*\*Prior to clinical, students must complete a criminal background check.

\*\*\*In compliance with Oklahoma Board of Nursing, students must submit an additional criminal background check prior to making application for the NCLEX–RN. Other regulations may also apply.

## Basic Licensure Nursing Program (A.A.S.)

Orientation (1 hour)	Course	Note
<b>College Success Skills</b> (1 hour)	OLS 1111 – Orientation and Library Science	This course should be taken during the student's first semester of enrollment.
General Education (18 hours)	Courses	Notes
<b>Social Sciences and History</b> (9 hours)	A. POL SC 1113 – American Federal Government B. American History: Take <i>one</i> of the following: HIST 1483 – American History to 1877 HIST 1493 – American History since 1877 C. PSY 2103 – Developmental Psychology*	*This course normally has a prerequisite of PSY 1113, but that is waived for nursing students.
<b>Communications</b> (9 hours)	A. Take <i>both</i> of the following: ENGL 1113 – Freshman Composition I* ENGL 1213 – Freshman Composition II B. CIS 1113 – Computer Applications	*PREREQUISITE: exemption from or exit from Developmental English.
Major Field (49 hours)	Courses	Notes
<b>Nursing Courses</b> (34 hours)	NURS 1118 – Introduction to Nursing Science NURS 1218 – Family Nursing NURS 2118 – Physical and Mental Illness I NURS 2212 – Current Issues in Nursing NURS 2218 – Physical and Mental Illness II	These courses are carefully sequenced by semester. Students may consult with nursing advisors.
<b>Supporting Sciences</b> (15 hours)	BIOL 2114 – Human Anatomy BIOL 2204 – Human Physiology * BIOL 2124 – Introduction to Microbiology NUTRIT 1203 – Nutrition	It is recommended, but not required, to take as many of these courses as possible prior to starting NURS courses. Sciences must be completed within seven (7) years of admission. *Nutrition is a prerequisite for Physiology.
<b>Optional Electives</b> (0–2 hours)	NURS 1002 – Math for Medications NURS 2123 – Medical Terminology NURS 1022 – Pharmacology in Nursing NURS 1032 – Nursing Process	Taking an optional elective is not required for graduation, but it is highly recommended.
<b>Total for A. A. S. in Nursing</b>	<b>Minimum of 68 credit hours.</b>	Students may choose to take additional hours to facilitate transfer or to meet career and personal needs.

### LPN–RN Transition “Bridge” Program (A.A.S.)

Orientation (1 hour)	Course	Note
<b>College Success Skills</b> (1 hour)	OLS 1111 – Orientation and Library Science	This course should be taken during the student’s first semester of enrollment.
<b>General Education</b> (18 hours)	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Social Sciences and History</b> (9 hours)	A. POL SC 1113 – American Federal Government B. American History: Take <i>one</i> of the following: HIST 1483 – American History to 1877 HIST 1493 – American History since 1877 C. PSY 2103 – Developmental Psychology*	*This course normally has a prerequisite of PSY 1113, but that is waived for nursing students.
<b>Communications</b> (9 hours)	A. Take <i>both</i> of the following: ENGL 1113 – Freshman Composition I* ENGL 1213 – Freshman Composition II B. CIS 1113 – Computer Applications**	*PREREQUISITE: exemption from or exit from Developmental English. **Completed in last 10 years.
<b>Major Field</b> (52 hours)	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Nursing Courses</b> (37 hours)	NURS – Advanced placement credit for LPN* NURS 1303 – Transition in Nursing NURS 2118 – Physical and Mental Illness I NURS 2212 – Current Issues in Nursing NURS 2218 – Physical and Mental Illness II	These courses are carefully sequenced by semester. A student should consult with a nursing advisor. *16 hours of credit is given for Intro to Nursing Science, Obstetrics and Pediatrics.
<b>Supporting Sciences</b> (15 hours)	BIOL 2114 – Human Anatomy BIOL 2204 – Human Physiology BIOL 2124 – Introduction to Microbiology NUTRIT 1203 – Nutrition	It is recommended, but not required, to take as many of these courses as possible prior to starting NURS courses.
<b>Optional Electives</b> (0–2 hours)	NURS 1002 – Math for Medications NURS 2123 – Medical Terminology NURS 1022 – Pharmacology in Nursing NURS 1032 – Nursing Process	Taking an optional elective is not required for graduation, but it is highly recommended.
<b>Total for A. A. S. in Nursing</b>	<b>Minimum of 71 credit hours.</b>	Students may choose to take additional hours to facilitate transfer or to meet career and personal needs.