

# HEALTH PROFESSIONS

## REGISTERED NURSE ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING- AAS DEGREE PLAN

**PROGRAM INFORMATION:** The two-year 60 credit hours curriculum in nursing leads to an **Associate in Applied Science Degree (AAS-ADN)** and prepares the graduate to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). Graduates must also meet legal requirements for licensure as mandated by the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) or the state in which initial licensure is sought. Successful completion of the examination will allow the graduate to practice as a registered nurse. The Navarro College Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program is approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and the Texas Board of Nursing (BON), P.O. Box 430, Austin, TX 78767, (512) 305-7400. The ADN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326, phone 404-975-5000, fax 404-975-5020, [www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org). The ADN curriculum includes on-campus coursework and clinical experiences in health care agencies. Applications to the program are available at nursing information sessions which are conducted at various times starting each October. Students wishing to apply to the program must attend an ADN information session. Applicants who score at or above the national norm on the reading comprehension and math portions of the TEAS entrance exam and are Texas Success Initiative (TSI) complete are eligible to apply for admission. Admission is determined by: (1) eligibility for admission according to the Texas BON; (2) a criminal background acceptable to clinical agencies; (3) the highest entrance exam reading comprehension score; and (4) the highest GPA on non-RNSG ADN degree plan courses. Ties among applicants are broken by selecting the student(s): (1) who live in Navarro County; (2) have the highest grades on non-RNSG degree plan courses, or; (3) have health care experiences. The last choice will be to admit all who are tied or admit none of those with tying scores.

**ACCEPTANCE TO NAVARRO COLLEGE DOES NOT GUARANTEE ADMISSION TO THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM.** The Associate Degree Nursing program is only available on the Waxahachie campus.

### Additional Program Requirements

- Students must complete all theory courses on the ADN degree plan with a final grade of “C” or higher and all clinical courses with a final clinical evaluation of competent or “satisfactory” in order to pass and progress in the program and graduate. The theory ADN grading scale is: A = 90-100, B = 80-89, C = 75-79, D = 60-74, F = <60.
- Students must meet all program and clinical agency requirements including drug screens, American Heart Association Basic Life Support CPR certification, health screenings and immunizations. The Texas Department of Health Administrative Code requires that students enrolled in health-related courses in institutions of higher education with required patient contact must have specific immunizations. Applicants must show proof of the complete series of immunizations prior to final admission to the program. Any exclusion of compliance for medical contraindications or religious beliefs will be handled on an individual basis and must be submitted in writing with the application packet. Students will receive information on unanticipated requirements by email after the application is filed.

Standardized exams including comprehensive predictors of NCLEX-RN success are used throughout the program as a portion of semester grades. Graduates are expected to pass all RNSG courses within three years and be prepared to pass the NCLEX-RN exam. Transfer of RNSG courses from another college is limited to no more than nine hours of equivalent RNSG courses and must have prior written approval signed by ADN Program Director and the Dean of Health Professions.

### Information Regarding Eligibility for RN License

The Texas Board of Nursing has mandated that applicants for licensure as registered nurses meet eligibility requirements.

#### Notice to Students Regarding Licensing - ADN

Effective September 1<sup>st</sup> 2017, HB 1508 amends the Texas Occupations Code Section 53 that requires education providers to notify you a potential or enrolled student that a criminal history may make you ineligible for an occupational license upon program completion. The following website provides links to information about the licensing process and requirements [http:// www.bne.state.tx.us/licensure\\_eligibility.asp](http://www.bne.state.tx.us/licensure_eligibility.asp).

Should you wish to request a review of the impact of criminal history on your potential ADN License prior to or during your quest for a degree, you can visit this link and request a “Criminal History Evaluation.” <http://www.bne.state.tx.us/enlcnotice.asp>.

This information is being provided to all persons who apply or enroll in the program with notice of the requirements as described above, regardless of whether or not the person has been convicted of a criminal offense. Additionally, HB 1508 authorizes licensing agencies to require reimbursements when a student fails to receive the required notice.

All pre-requisite courses must be completed within 7 years of making application. Applications sent without the required pre-requisite will not be accepted. Any of the other Non-RNSG degree plan courses on the degree plan can be taken prior to entering the program or after admission.

## REQUIRED PREREQUISITES

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
BIOL 2401	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 2402	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
Total Credit Hours		8

### FRESHMAN YEAR - FALL

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
RNSG 1413	Foundations of Nursing Practice	4
RNSG 1261	Clinical- Nursing Foundations	2
RNSG 1201	Pharmacology	2
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
PSYC 2314	Lifespan Growth and Development	3
Fall Total Credit Hours		14

### FRESHMAN YEAR - SPRING

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
RNSG 2404	Integrated Care of the Patient With Common Health Care Needs	4
RNSG 1361	Clinical- Nursing Care of Clients With Common Health Care Needs	3
BIOL 2420	Microbiology for Non-Science Majors	4
Spring Total Credit Hours		11

### FRESHMAN YEAR - SUMMER

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
RNSG 1412	Nursing Care of the Childbearing and Childrearing Family	4
RNSG 2161	Clinical-Nursing Care of the Childbearing and Childrearing Family	1
Summer Total Credit Hours		5

### SOPHOMORE YEAR - FALL

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
RNSG 2414	Integrated Care of the Patient With Complex Health Care Needs	4
RNSG 2461	Clinical- Nursing Care of Clients With Complex Health Care Needs	4
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3
Fall Total Credit Hours		11

### SOPHOMORE YEAR - SPRING

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
XXXX	Approved Language / Philosophy / Culture or Creative Arts	3
RNSG 2435	Integrated Client Care Management	4
RNSG 2462	Clinical- Integrated Client Management	4
Spring Total Credit Hours		11
Program Total Credit Hours		60

*Language / Philosophy / Culture OR Creative Arts – (PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy, PHIL 2305 Introduction to Ethics, ARTS 1301 Art Appreciation, or MUSI 1306 Music Appreciation are preferred. (Ethics is preferred by the ADN Program) With approval, a core curriculum Humanities course or Visual /Performing Arts course may be substituted.)*

