



**School of Health Sciences**  
**DALLAS COLLEGE**

# ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING

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# Associate Degree Nursing Application Packet

**(This Packet is for initial application for admission into the Dallas College Associate Degree Nursing Program and is not used to apply for readmission into the Dallas College Nursing Program)**

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## Program Summary and Accreditation

The Dallas College School of Health Sciences offers a 60-credit hour Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) curriculum leading to an Associate of Applied Science Degree. The program is offered at the following campuses: Brookhaven, El Centro, Mountain View and Northlake.

The ADN program at Dallas College will prepare you for a career in health care that allows you to make a difference in people's lives. Our faculty draw on their knowledge and experience to ensure student success.

The program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (Address: 3343 Peachtree Road, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326; Telephone: 404-975-5000; Fax: 404-975-5020; Email: [info@acenursing.org](mailto:info@acenursing.org); Website: [www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org);) and approved by the Texas Board of Nursing (Address: 333 Guadalupe St., Suite 3-460, Austin, TX 78701-3944; Telephone: 512-305-7400; Fax: 512-305-7401; Email: [webmaster@bon.texas.gov](mailto:webmaster@bon.texas.gov); Website: [www.bon.texas.gov](http://www.bon.texas.gov)).

**Note: An FBI background check and fingerprinting are required for registration and formal entrance to the program and is conducted after a student has applied and been accepted to the program. You will not be admitted into classes until the formal background check has been cleared by the Texas Board of Nursing (TBON) with a blue card or Declaratory Order.**

How can I find out if I am eligible to take the licensing examination? Here is the link to the Texas Board of Nursing licensure questions. [https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure\\_eligibility.asp.html](https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure_eligibility.asp.html)

Admission to the Dallas College ADN program is competitive. The process for identifying and ranking the top applicants is outlined in this information packet. Those students deemed eligible to apply will be placed into an applicant pool for consideration.

This information packet contains specific application guidelines and requirements. Submission of an application packet verifies that an individual has 1) read the packet thoroughly, 2) obtained all necessary documents from designated websites, and 3) understood the policies and procedures for application and acceptance to the program.

Program information packets are revised throughout the academic year as needed. Program guidelines are subject to change. Students are responsible for ensuring they have the latest program information.

## Equal Educational Opportunity

Educational opportunities are offered by Dallas College without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

The Dallas College ADN program has three variations. This packet combines common attributes of the three as well as a separate section for each that describes information specific to that variation. The three variations are:

- **Associate Degree Nursing (ADN)** – available to any qualified applicant
- **Licensed Vocational Nurse to Registered Nurse (LVN-RN) Advanced Placement** – available to applicants with a current LVN certification in the State of Texas
- **Methodist Health System (MHS) Associate Degree Nursing** – available only to applicants who are volunteers with, employees of or are family members of employees of the Methodist Health System (pg. 20)

### A. Application Checklist

This checklist is provided to assist you in following the steps toward program application. It is not part of the application which is submitted. It is also organized toward an applicant just beginning their college experience. Some items may not be applicable if you have previous college credits.

- Obtain the [immunization and physical examination](#) requirements document. All immunizations/titers must be complete at the time of application.

**NOTE:** Some immunizations require multiple doses on a specific timeline over several months. Therefore, potential applicants should review their immunizations at least six to seven months prior to the application deadline. Schedule and take your Hepatitis B titer test early. **\*This is a blood test that must be drawn to check for immunity.**

- Complete the [application for college admission](#), if not already a Dallas College student.
- Submit official transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities to [studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu](mailto:studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu) or to Dallas College, ATTN: Admissions Processing, 3737 Motley Drive, Mesquite, TX 75150
- See a Success Coach as needed for TSI counseling, placement testing, etc., and complete any developmental courses as may be determined from the test scores.
- If desired, request an [Educational Plan](#) for evaluation of external course work that applies to the ADN curriculum.
- Complete the [prerequisite/support courses](#):
  - ENGL 1301
  - BIOL 2401
  - MATH 1314 or MATH 1342
  - RNSG 1301 or RNSG 1311
  - PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314 (LVN-RN and MHS only)
  - BIOL 2402 (MHS only)
  - BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421 (MHS only)
  - Humanities/Fine Arts elective (MHS only)

- ❑ Complete the required Continuing Education Dosage Calculations for Nursing course (RNSG-1008) with a 90% or better.
- ❑ Complete the TEAS, scoring a minimum of 55% on all required sections of the test.
- ❑ If time allows, complete the ADN support courses (ADN and LVN-RN applicants). Confer with Financial Aid to determine if/how this will impact your future financial aid eligibility and disbursements/expectations.
- ❑ If time allows prior to the application filing deadline, complete optional and other courses which apply to BSN Articulation programs (see [Selection Process](#) section for list)
- ❑ Create a CastleBranch account (select ADN Program and make sure you purchase only the “compliance tracker” option for now) and upload [documentation](#) of a current physical exam, tuberculosis screening, required immunizations, BLS – Basic Life Support CPR certification, and licenses held prior to the application filing deadline, Health Insurance and Automobile Insurance prior to the start of classes if accepted. No additional document submissions are needed for application listed in the tracker.
- ❑ Complete the [“Associate Degree Nursing Interest Form”](#) found on the Dallas College Allied Health Sciences and Nursing Information Packets and Session website. This link will be available beginning the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the application period.
- ❑ **Once you are eligible and receive the link for the application you must ensure the following is submitted:**
  - Assigned Social Security number must be documented on application.
  - Texas Driver’s License or Texas State ID number must be documented on application.
  - Photocopy of both sides of a Texas Driver License, or Texas State ID and Social Security card
  - Obtain a Letter of Good Standing from any nursing program attended prior to admission and submit.
  - Official TEAS score sheet.
  - RNSG 1008 “CP” grade on the advising report or a screenshot of your Dosage Calculation exam indicating a score of 90% or higher if the course has not ended.
  - Photocopy of your official Phi Theta Kappa membership card (if applicable)
  - Employment letter with credential if applicable (CNA, MA, PCT, PCA, Paramedic, or EMT)
  - Copies of any prerequisite course substitution forms if you requested them (course waivers are considered)

## B. General Admission Requirements to the College

Applicants to the Associate Degree Nursing Program must meet all [college admission requirements](#) as outlined in the official college catalog.

Applicants must have earned either a high school diploma or General Education Diploma (GED) in addition to complying with Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirements before they will be eligible to apply to the program. Students should consult the Success Coaching (advising) to determine their TSI status prior to application to a Health Sciences program.

## Official College Transcripts

Prior to application to the Associate Degree Nursing Program, potential applicants must have submitted official transcripts from all colleges and universities the applicant has attended whether the coursework is or is not relevant to the program application. Transcripts from Dallas College campuses are not required.

The transcripts must be current with the print date no earlier than three years prior to the applicant's anticipated admission to the program. If the official transcripts have not been submitted, the individual's application will be voided.

Official transcripts must be sent electronically from the applicant's previous colleges to [studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu](mailto:studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu). Transcripts sent by the applicant in pdf or other formats are not accepted. Transcripts may also be mailed from a college in a sealed envelope to Dallas College, Attn: Admissions Processing, 3737 Motley Drive, Mesquite, TX 75150.

## Initial Advisement

Students who are beginning college for the first time will follow the [Steps to Enrollment](#) which will guide them from applying to the college system to placement testing, selecting a degree plan, contacting a Success Coach, and enrolling in prerequisite courses.

A student who has not completed college coursework should request a general Associate Degree plan from a Success Coach (advisor) as a starting point toward future application to a health science program. Note: Additional learning frameworks courses may be required for certain students.

## C. Prerequisite/Support Courses

Applicants must complete the prerequisite courses listed below with a minimum grade of a "C" or higher and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 to apply to the nursing program. The prerequisite GPA is considered in the point award ranking process. An applicant may present credit by exam, CLEP, or "AP" credit for 1 of the prerequisite courses. Credit will be acknowledged but not calculated with the grade point average.

Prerequisite Courses	Lec Hrs	Lab Hrs	Cr Hrs
<b>RNSG 1008 Dosage Calculations for Nursing</b>	0	0	0
<b>BIOL 2401* Anatomy/Physiology I</b>	3	3	4
<b>ENGL 1301 Composition I</b>	3	0	3
<b>MATH 1314 College Algebra or MATH 1342 Elementary Statistical Methods**</b>	3	0	3
<b>RNSG 1301 Pharmacology or RNSG 1311 Nursing Pathophysiology</b>	3	0	3
<b>Support Courses</b>			
<b>PSYC 2301 General Psyc or PSYC 2314 Lifespan, Growth and Development (LVN-RN and MHS only)</b>	3	0	3
<b>BIOL 2402 Anatomy/Physiology II (MHS only)</b>	3	3	4
<b>BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421 Microbiology (MHS only)</b>	3	3	4
<b>Humanities/Fine Arts elective (MHS only)</b>	3	0	3

\* BIOL 1406 is the prerequisite course for BIOL 2401 and must be completed with a grade of “C” or better within the last three years or present a satisfactory score on the CLEP Biology exam.

\*\* (Calculus I or higher is also accepted)

Note: Dosage Calculations for Nursing (RNSG 1008), a continuing education course, is also a prerequisite course to the nursing program. More for information, please see [section F](#).

## D. Evaluation of Previous Coursework

Official transcripts are fully evaluated by the Dallas College Transcript Evaluation Center after a student has been enrolled for at least one regular semester. However, students can request an Educational Plan, an evaluation of their previous coursework toward a health science program. The [Educational Plan](#) is a preliminary, unofficial degree plan for advisement purposes and only reflects specific courses toward a health science program. Educational Plans are optional and are not required for application to a health science program. They are usually completed within 4-8 weeks. An Educational Plan should be requested at least one semester prior to a program application filing deadline if possible.

The School of Health Sciences and the Allied Health Admissions Office reserve the right to accept or reject any coursework completed at other colleges presented for transfer evaluation toward health science programs.

**Note: Previous coursework is evaluated toward the program degree plan and does not include evaluation of additional courses toward BSN programs.**

### Five-Year Time Limit Select Courses

BIOL 2401, BIOL 2402, BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421, RNSG 1301 and RNSG 1311 must be completed within five years of anticipated program entry. There are no exceptions to the five-year time limit. No waivers of the five-year time limit are considered.

### Credit by Examination, CLEP, and Advanced Placement Credit

Credit through CLEP, High School Advanced Placement Exams and Credit by Examination may be awarded for a limited number of courses toward health science programs including MATH 1314, PSYC 2301, and PSYC 2314. CLEP credit is not awarded for ENGL 1301. Advanced Placement (“AP”) credit for ENGL 1301, PSYC 2301, and MATH 1314 is acceptable if the credit appears on a college transcript as ENGL 1301, PSYC 2301, and MATH 1314 equivalency. A letter grade is not awarded for “AP” credit.

**Note: An applicant to the Associate Degree Nursing Program may present credit by exam, CLEP, or “AP” credit for only one of the four prerequisite courses and one support course. Credit will be acknowledged but not calculated with the grade point average.**

See detailed information regarding [Credit by Exam, CLEP, and AP credit](#).

### Coursework from International Institutions

Only microbiology and college-level algebra may be considered for transfer to the Associate Degree Nursing Program from colleges or universities outside the United States. No other courses will be considered. [International Coursework Evaluation](#) is a multi-step process which may take several

weeks. The student must be enrolled in credit classes at a Dallas College campus before the evaluation process can be initiated.

## E. Program Application Exam (TEAS)

### TEAS

The [TEAS](#) test is a timed, computerized test which is usually completed in 3 hours. In addition to completing the five prerequisite courses, applicants to the ADN Program must also earn a **minimum score of 55% or higher** on the following sections of the TEAS test: **Reading, Mathematics, Science, English and Language Usage.**

ATI-TEAS Scoring	
Score	Points awarded for that section
55%-60%	1
61%-70%	2
71%-80%	3
81%-90%	4
91%-100%	5

The following is an example of points awarded for a sample applicant's TEAS scores:

TEAS Component	Score	Points Awarded
Reading	85	4
Mathematics	96	5
Science	75	3
English and Language Usage	60	1

Please note the following important information regarding the TEAS:

- Test scores are valid for **two years** from date of testing to the application filing deadline date.
- Applicants may take the TEAS at any approved testing site including the assessment center at the Downtown Health Sciences Center (formerly known as El Centro College Paramount Building). The approximate cost of the TEAS test is \$82.00. Additional fees will apply to online testing.
- Applicants are responsible for securing their own testing appointment at the location of their choice. Applicants are also responsible for submitting their score sheet with their program application materials.
- ATI testing appointments fill quickly. Applicants are encouraged to schedule their TEAS several weeks prior to an application filing deadline. Do not assume that you will have your score sheet to submit with application materials if you test on the application deadline date.
- The ATI-TEAS Study Guide is available on the ATI website <https://www.atitesting.com/teas>.



- There is no limit on the number of times an applicant may take the TEAS test for application to the ADN Program, but you may only take the TEAS four times a year.
  - If the applicant desires to retake the TEAS, **all four sections** must be retaken in one sitting.
  - Only one score sheet can be submitted with scores of 55% or higher on each of the four required sections.
  - If more than one score sheet is submitted, the scores from the most recent testing attempt will be the recorded scores.
- A 60-day waiting period is recommended before retesting, the applicant is encouraged to review the study guide.

### Selection Process

Applicants are ranked for selection via a point award system\*. Point award totals for applicants will range from a minimum of 8 points to a maximum of 59 points on the designated criteria below.

Point Award Criteria	Potential Points Per Criteria
RNSG 1008 Dosage Calculations for Nursing (required)	Credit only, no points. Must score 90% or higher to pass
<b>Grade on each Support Courses completed with a minimum grade of “C”</b> (BIOL 2402, BIOL 2420, PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314, humanities elective) A = 3 points B = 2 points C = credit acknowledged but no points awarded	12 Points
<b>Prerequisite Course Cumulative GPA (3.0 minimum required)</b> 3.00 – 3.49 = 4 points 3.50 – 4.00 = 5 points	5 Points
<b>TEAS Test – Points awarded for each of the 4 following sections:</b> Reading, Mathematics, Science, English and Language Usage 55 – 60 = 1 points 61 – 70 = 2 points 71 – 80 = 3 points 81 – 90 = 4 points 91 – 100 = 5 points	20 Points
<b>Phi Theta Kappa Membership PTK (certificate with application materials) = 1 point</b> Current employment with credential and employment documentation = 2 points	3 Points
<b>Courses toward an RN to BSN transition program = 1 point per course +</b> ARTS 1301 Art Appreciation BIOL 1322 Principles of Nutrition BIOL 1406 Biology for Science Majors CHEM 1405 Introductory Chemistry <b>OR</b> CHEM 1411 Chemistry I * ENGL 1302 <b>Composition II</b> * ENGL 2311 <b>Technical and Business Writing</b> * GOVT 2305 <b>Federal Government</b> * GOVT 2306 <b>Texas Government</b> * HIST 1301 <b>US History I</b> * HIST 1302 <b>US History II</b> * HUMA 1311 <b>Mexican Am. Fine Arts Appreciation</b> * HUMA 1315 <b>Fine Arts</b>	19 Points

* <b>MATH</b>	<b>1342</b>	<b>Statistics <u>OR</u></b>	
* <b>MATH</b>	<b>1314</b>	<b>College Algebra</b>	
PHIL	1301	Intro to Philosophy <u>OR</u>	
PHIL	2306	Intro to Ethics	
<b>SPAN</b>	<b>1300</b>	<b>Basic Medical Spanish</b>	
<b>SPCH</b>	<b>1311</b>	<b>Intro to Communication</b>	
* <b>SPCH</b>	<b>1315</b>	<b>Public Speaking</b>	
* <b>SOCI</b>	<b>1301</b>	Intro to Sociology	
* <b>RNSG</b>	<b>1301</b>	<b>Pharmacology <u>OR</u></b>	
* <b>RNSG</b>	<b>1311</b>	<b>Pathophysiology</b>	
<b>*Courses toward Dallas College RN to BSN transition program</b>			
<b>Maximum Total Points</b>			<b>59 Points</b>

\* If two or more applicants have the same point award total, the cumulative score on entrance exam will be used to break the tie. If additional items are needed to break the tie, they will be used in the following order: Cumulative GPA, Support Course Points and PTK or Credential Points

+ Points will be awarded for these courses only if the course numbers match exactly on an official transcript or on a Dallas College advising report as evaluated by the Transcript Evaluation Center. This consideration does not guarantee transferability of the courses toward any RN-BSN transition program.

Note: These courses cannot be counted more than once for points. Courses can only be counted as a prerequisite, support course, or RN-BSN course.

### Example of Point Award Ranking

	Cumulative GPA on 4 Prerequisite Courses (Max. 5 pts.)	TEAS Scores on each section (Max. 20 pts.)	Support Course Grades (Max. 12 pts.)	PTK <u>OR</u> Credential (Max. 3 pts.)	Courses toward BSN programs (Max. 19 pts.)	Total Points (Max. 59 pts.)	Cumulative Score the entrance exam (tiebreaker)
<b>App #1</b>	3.80 = 5 pts.	Reading 97 = 5 pts. Eng/Lang 96 = 5 pts. Science 100 = 5 pts. Math 98 = 5 pts. <b>TOTAL TEAS PTS. 20 pts.</b>	PSYC 2314 A = 3 pts. BIOL 2402 A = 3 pts. BIOL 2420 A = 3 pts. Humanities A = 3 pts. <b>TOTAL PTS. 12 pts.</b>	PTK = 1 pt. CNA = 2 pts. <b>TOTAL 3 pts.</b>	<b>19 courses</b> from the list on page 9	<b>59</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>App #2</b>	3.38 = 4 pts.	Reading 96 = 5 pts. Eng/Lang 96 = 5 pts. Science 100 = 5 pts. Math 100 = 5 pts. <b>TOTAL TEAS PTS. 20 pts.</b>	PSYC 2314 A = 3 pts. BIOL 2402 A = 3 pts. Humanities A = 3 pts. <b>TOTAL PTS. 9 pts.</b>	PTK = 1 pt. EMT = 2 pts. <b>TOTAL 3 pts.</b>	<b>16 courses</b> from the list on page 9	<b>52</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>App #3</b>	3.54 = 5 pts.	Reading 91 = 5 pts. Eng/Lang 61 = 2 pts. Science 93 = 5 pts. Math 75 = 3 pts. <b>TOTAL TEAS PTS. 17 pts.</b>	PSYC 2314 A = 3 pts. BIOL 2402 B = 2 pts. BIOL 2420 B = 2 pts. Humanities A = 3 pts. <b>TOTAL PTS. 10 pts.</b>	<b>PCT = 2 pts.</b>	<b>18 courses</b> from the list on page 9	<b>52</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>App #4</b>	3.23 = 4 pts.	Reading 100 = 5 pts. Eng/Lang 98 = 5 pts. Science 55 = 1 pts. Math 97 = 5 pts. <b>TOTAL TEAS PTS. 16 pts.</b>	PSYC 2314 B = 2 pts. BIOL 2402 B = 2 pts. BIOL 2420 B = 2 pts. Humanities A = 3 pts. <b>TOTAL PTS. 9 pts.</b>	None	<b>8 courses</b> from the list on page 9	<b>37</b>	<b>16</b>

## F. Dosage Calculations for Nursing (RNSG 1008)

Dosage Calculations for Nursing (RNSG 1008) is offered every semester (including summer) and is a self-paced Continuing Education course which meets on campus for testing. This course is not for credit hours. Students must pass the dosage calculations exam with a minimum score of 90% or better for program application. This is a final grade of "CP" on the transcript or Advising Report. Dosage Calculations exam scores are valid for two years. Assigned Faculty members are available

for tutoring and remediation. Contact [ContinuingEd@DallasCollege.edu](mailto:ContinuingEd@DallasCollege.edu) if you need assistance enrolling in the course.

**Note: this course is NOT transferrable from another institution.**

## G. CastleBranch

Applicants to the ADN Program are required to have a current physical examination, specific immunizations, a tuberculosis screening, BLS (Basic Life Support) CPR certification. The School of Health Sciences nursing program utilizes CastleBranch, an immunization verification and document management company, to verify these requirements. Applicants submit this documentation directly to CastleBranch, who will verify the completeness of the immunization requirements no later than the application filing deadline. Failure to submit this documentation and be complete with these requirements by the application deadline will result in disqualification of the applicant.

For a full list of immunizations and health records visit our [Immunizations Requirements](#) webpage.

Use the graphic below to create your CastleBranch account. You must use the provided link <https://portal.castlebranch.com/DZ40> to create your CastleBranch account. **Select ADN Program and make sure you purchase only the “compliance tracker” option for now.**

**CastleBranch**

Dallas College  
How to Place Order

Welcome to **myCB**

To place your order go to:  
<https://portal.castlebranch.com/DZ40>

Place Order → Select Program → Select Package

To place your initial order, you will be prompted to create your secure myCB account.  
From within myCB, you will be able to:

- ✓ View order results
- ✓ Upload documents
- ✓ Manage requirements
- ✓ Place additional orders
- ✓ Complete tasks

Please have ready personal identifying information needed for security purposes.  
The email address you provide will become your username

## H. Application Materials Submission

The application materials must be scanned as pdf documents and uploaded to the link provided in the qualified applicant email.

- Assigned Social Security number must be documented on application.
- Texas Driver's License or Texas State ID number must be documented on application.
- Photocopy of both sides of a Texas Driver License, or Texas State ID and Social Security card
- Obtain a Letter of Good Standing from any nursing program attended prior to admission and submit.
- TEAS score sheet indicating achievement at 55 or higher on the four required sections.
- RNSG 1008 "CP" grade on the advising report or a screenshot of your Dosage Calculation exam indicating a score of 90% or higher if the course has not ended.
- Employment letter with credential if applicable (CNA, MA, PCT, PCA, Paramedic, or EMT)
- Copies of any course substitution forms if you requested them (course waivers are considered)
- (LVN-RN) Documentation of a current Texas LVN license. For students who have successfully completed a Vocational Nursing program but do not possess a Texas LVN license, a Texas LVN license must be obtained by the 10<sup>th</sup> weekday of class. Failure to obtain and present a valid Texas LVN license by that date will result in dismissal from the program.
- If a member of Phi Theta Kappa, include a photocopy of your official Phi Theta Kappa membership card/certificate. Note: Submitting the PTK number or any other statement of membership is not accepted
- If you have a healthcare license or credential and work experience, submit a copy of your licensure or certification with a letter from your employer verifying your responsibilities and length of employment.

**Submitting incomplete application materials will disqualify the application and the student will not be considered further in the application process. Students are advised to retain a photocopy of all materials submitted as part of their application packet and to CastleBranch.**

## I. Application Filing Periods

**Official application filing period for Fall 2025 semester (late August) admission:**

**March 1, 2025 – April 4, 2025**

Notification emails are sent on or after May 31, 2025.

**Official application filing period for Spring 2026 semester (mid-January) admission:**

**August 1, 2025 - August 30, 2025**

Notification emails are sent on or after October 15, 2025.

**Important Note: There is no late application filing period for this program.**

## J. Notification of Acceptance

Using the point award process, a ranked list of applicants is generated. The program spaces are filled with qualified applicants according to their points on the ranked list. Individuals who receive an acceptance email are required to return a confirmation form within a specified timeframe to verify their space in the class. Failure to return the confirmation form by the specified date or failure to attend the scheduled preregistration/orientation seminar for the accepted class will result in forfeiture of their space in that class. Notification emails of acceptance, non-acceptance, or disqualification are sent on the same day.

Application materials are not “held over” to the next application filing period. Students who are not selected for admission to the program or students who decline their acceptance may reapply again during the next filing period to be considered for a future admission opportunity.

## K. Associate Degree Nursing Curriculum

Prerequisites				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1008	Dosage Calculations	0	0	0
BIOL 2401	Anatomy/Physiology I	3	3	4
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	0	3
MATH 1314 or MATH 1342	College Algebra Elementary Statistical Methods	3	0	3
RNSG 1301 or RNSG 1311	Nursing Pharmacology Nursing Pathophysiology	3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		12	3	13

Support Courses				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
BIOL 2402	Anatomy/Physiology II	3	3	4
BIOL 2420 BIOL 2421	Microbiology	3	3	4
PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314	General Psychology Developmental Psychology	3	0	3
Humanities/ Fine Arts Elective		3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		12	6	14

Semester 1				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1413	Foundations for Nursing Practice	4	0	4
RNSG 1105	Nursing Skills I	0	4	1
RNSG 1360	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	3

PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314	General Psychology Developmental Psychology (ADN only)	3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>

Semester 2				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
BIOL 2402	Anatomy/Physiology II	3	3	4
BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421	Microbiology (ADN only)	3	4	4
RNSG 1144	Nursing Skills II	0	4	1
RNSG 1441	Common Concepts of Adult Health	4	0	4
RNSG 2362	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>

Semester 3				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1160	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing	2	0	2
RNSG 2161	Maternal/Newborn nursing and Women's Health	2	0	2
RNSG 2161	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
RNSG 2201	Care of Children and Families	2	0	2
RNSG 2160	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>

Semester 4				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1443	Complex Concepts of Adults	4	0	4
RNSG 2360	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse*	3	0	3
RNSG 2121	Professional Nursing: leadership and Management	1	0	1
Elective	Humanities or Fine Arts (ADN only)	3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Program Total</b>				<b>60</b>

A minimum grade of “C” or better is required for ALL courses in the ADN Program. Also, the nursing curriculum uses a stricter grading scale: C=78-83%, B=84-91%, A=92-100%.

\* RNSG-2360 is the Capstone course for this award

## L. Associate Degree Nursing Estimated Expenses

Prerequisites			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (13 Credits)*	1287	2197	3250
Dosage Calculation (CE)	158	158	158
TEAS Test**	82	82	82
CastleBranch Account	112	112	112
Physical Exam & Immunizations +	225	225	225
CPR Certification	65	65	65
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,929.00</b>	<b>\$2,839.00</b>	<b>\$3,892.00</b>

Semester 1			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (11 Credits)	1089	1859	2750
Standardized Exams	250	250	250
Board of Nursing Screening	100	100	100
Uniforms (2 sets & jacket)++	150	150	150
Shoes++	60	60	60
Stethoscope++	35	35	35
Watch with second hand++	40	40	40
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,724.00</b>	<b>\$2,494.00</b>	<b>\$3,385.00</b>

Semester 2			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (16 Credits)	1584	2704	4000
Standardized Exams	200	200	200
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,784.00</b>	<b>\$2,904.00</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>

Semester 3			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (9 Credits)	891	1,521	2250
Standardized Exams	200	200	200
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 1091.00</b>	<b>\$1721.00</b>	<b>\$2450.00</b>

Semester 4			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (11 Credits)	1089	1859	2750

Standardized Exams	200	200	200
NCLEX Review	275	275	275
Pearson Vue NCLEX	200	200	200
NCLEX-RN License	139	139	139
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1903.00</b>	<b>\$2673.00</b>	<b>\$3564.00</b>
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$7231.00</b>	<b>\$12,631.71</b>	<b>\$17,491.00</b>

\* Tuition now includes textbook costs. These and other fees are subject to change. A [Tuition Payment Plan](#) option is available in fall and spring semesters. Other costs to consider: personal health care insurance, transportation.

\*\* Online ATI TEAS testing is provided by ATI at: <https://help.atitesting.com/ati-teas-exam-registration#teas-remote-exams-at-home>

+ Estimated cost of physical exam and immunizations.

++ Approximate cost

## M. LVN to RN Advanced Placement Program Curriculum

The program is designed for a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) to complete the ADN curriculum in an accelerated process. Applicants must complete all entrance requirements outlined in this information packet and must possess current Texas LVN licensure.

The LVN-RN Advanced Placement Program accepts a class of approximately 30 students each Fall and Spring semester.

Prerequisites				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1008	Dosage Calculations	0	0	0
BIOL 2401	Anatomy/Physiology I	3	3	4
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	0	3
MATH 1314 or MATH 1342	College Algebra Elementary Statistical Methods	3	0	3
PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314	General Psychology Developmental Psychology (ADN only)	3	0	3
RNSG 1301 or RNSG 1311	Nursing Pharmacology or Nursing Pathophysiology	3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>

Semester 2				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
BIOL 2402	Anatomy/Physiology II	3	3	4



BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421	Microbiology	3	4	4
RNSG 1144	Nursing Skills II	0	4	1
RNSG 1441	Common Concepts of Adult Health	4	0	4
RNSG 2362	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>

Semester 3				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1160	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing	2	0	2
RNSG 2208	Maternal/Newborn nursing and Women's Health	2	0	2
RNSG 2161	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
RNSG 2201	Care of Children and Families	2	0	2
RNSG 2160	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>

Semester 4				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1443	Complex Concepts of Adults	4	0	4
RNSG 2360	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse*	3	0	3
RNSG 2121	Professional Nursing: leadership and Management	1	0	1
Elective	Humanities or Fine Arts (ADN, LVN-RN only)	3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Program Total</b>				<b>52</b>

A minimum grade of "C" or better is required for ALL courses in the ADN program. Also, the nursing curriculum uses a stricter grading scale: C=78-83%, B=84-91%, A=92-100%.

\* RNSG-2360 is the Capstone course for this award

After a student completes semester 4, an additional 8 credit hours will be awarded for RNSG 1413, RNSG 1105 and RNSG 1360 to complete the required hours for the degree.

## N. LVN to RN Advanced Placement Program Estimated Expenses

Prerequisites			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (16 Credits)*	1584	2704	4000
Dosage Calculation (CE)	158	158	158
TEAS Test**	82	82	82
CastleBranch Account	112	112	112
Physical Exam & Immunizations +	225	225	225
CPR Certification	65	65	65
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$2226.00</b>	<b>\$3346.00</b>	<b>\$4642.00</b>

Semester 2			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (16 Credits)	1584	2704	4000
Standardized Exam	200	200	200
Board of Nursing Screening	100	100	100
Uniforms (2 sets & jacket)++	150	150	150
Shoes++	60	60	60
Stethoscope++	35	35	35
Watch with second hand++	40	40	40
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$2169.00</b>	<b>\$2,745.00</b>	<b>\$4585.00</b>

Semester 3			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (9 Credits)	891	1521	2250
Standardized Exam	200	200	200
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1091.00</b>	<b>\$1721.00</b>	<b>\$2450.00</b>

Semester 4			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (11 Credits)	1089	1859	2750
Standardized Exams	200	200	200
NCLEX Review	275	275	275
Pearson Vue NCLEX	200	200	200
NCLEX-RN License	139	139	139
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1903.00</b>	<b>\$2673.00</b>	<b>\$3564.00</b>
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$7989.00</b>	<b>\$10485.00</b>	<b>\$15241.00</b>

## O. Methodist Health System Program Curriculum

Prerequisites/Support courses				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1008	Dosage Calculations	0	0	0
BIOL 2401	Anatomy/Physiology I	3	3	4
BIOL 2402	Anatomy/Physiology II	3	3	4
BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421	Microbiology	3	3	4
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	0	3
MATH 1314 or MATH 1342	College Algebra Elementary Statistical Methods	3	0	3
RNSG 1301 or RNSG 1311	Nursing Pharmacology Nursing Pathophysiology	3	0	3
PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314	General Psychology Developmental Psychology	3	0	3
Humanities/ Fine Arts Elective		3	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		24	9	27

Semester 1				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1413	Foundations for Nursing Practice	4	0	4
RNSG 1105	Nursing Skills I	0	4	1
RNSG 1360	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		4	4	8

Semester 2				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1144	Nursing Skills II	0	4	1
RNSG 1441	Common Concepts of Adult Health	4	0	4
RNSG 2362	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	3
<b>Subtotal</b>		4	4	8

Semester 3				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1160	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing	2	0	2
RNSG 2161	Maternal/Newborn nursing and Women's Health	2	0	2
RNSG 2161	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
RNSG 2201	Care of Children and Families	2	0	2
RNSG 2160	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	0	0	1
<b>Subtotal</b>		6	0	9

Semester 4				
Course	Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credit Hours
RNSG 1443	Complex Concepts of Adults	4	0	4
RNSG 2360	Clinical Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse*	3	0	3
RNSG 2121	Professional Nursing: leadership and Management	1	0	1
<b>Subtotal</b>		8	0	8
<b>Program Total</b>				<b>60</b>

A minimum grade of "C" or better is required for ALL courses in the ADN Program. Also, the nursing curriculum uses a stricter grading scale: C=78-83%, B=84-91%, A=92-100%.

\* RNSG-2360 is the Capstone course for this award

## P. Methodist Health System Program Estimated Expenses

Prerequisites/Support Courses			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (27 Credits)*	2673	4563	6750
Dosage Calculation (CE)	158	158	158
TEAS Test**	82	82	82
CastleBranch Account	112	112	112
Physical Exam & Immunizations +	225	225	225
CPR Certification	65	65	65
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$3315.00</b>	<b>\$5205.00</b>	<b>\$7392.00</b>

Semester 1			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (8 Credits)	792	1352	2000
Standardized Exams	250	250	250
Board of Nursing Screening	100	100	100
Uniforms (2 sets & jacket)++	150	150	150
Shoes++	60	60	60
Stethoscope++	35	35	35
Watch with second hand++	40	40	40
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1427.00</b>	<b>\$1987.00</b>	<b>\$2635.00</b>

Semester 2			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (8 Credits)	792	1352	2000
Standardized Exams	200	200	200
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 992.00</b>	<b>\$1552.00</b>	<b>\$2200.00</b>

Semester 3			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (9 Credits)	891	1521	2250
Standardized Exams	200	200	200
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1091.00</b>	<b>\$1721.00</b>	<b>\$2450.00</b>

Semester 4			
	Dallas County Resident	Out of County	Out of State
Tuition/Textbooks (8 Credits)	792	1352	2000
Standardized Exams	200	200	200
NCLEX Review	275	275	275
Pearson Vue NCLEX	200	200	200
NCLEX-RN License	139	139	139
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1606.00</b>	<b>\$2166.00</b>	<b>\$2814.00</b>
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$8431.00</b>	<b>\$12631.00</b>	<b>\$17491.00</b>

### Methodist Health System Program General Information

The MHS Program is only offered at the EI Centro campus. To be considered for the ADN Program at Methodist Health System, an applicant must first meet the following criteria:

- 1) Must be one of the following:
  - a. Employed by Methodist Health System for a minimum of 6 months **OR**
  - b. A volunteer for a minimum of 6 months, accumulating 100 hours of consistent volunteer time prior to application **OR**

- c. A family member of a Methodist Health System employee
- 2) Completion of all standard ADN Program requirements and prerequisites
- 3) Completion of all ADN support courses (BIOL 2402, BIOL 2420, PSYC 2301 or PSYC 2314, Humanities or Fine Arts Elective) with a minimum grade of “C” in each course
- 4) Submit photocopies of the following documents to Kimm Wright by the [application deadline](#).
  - a. ADN – MHS application form and Statement of Students’ Responsibility form
  - b. MHS Profile Form
  - c. ATI-TEAS scoresheet
  - d. Photocopy of Physical Exam form, immunization records and BLS CPR card which have been submitted to CastleBranch

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## Q. Nursing General Information

1. The Dallas College ADN Program accepts approximately 40-60 students at each campus every fall and spring semester. **The School of Health Sciences reserves the right to make changes in program enrollment capacity.**
2. The Dallas College ADN Program is completed in four, 16-week academic semesters. Each course involves 16-20 hours per week of class, lab, and clinical experience with an additional 3-4 hours of studying and preparation time for each hour of class and clinical experience. Clinical experiences may involve both daytime, evening, and weekend hours. The student’s schedule will not allow for full-time employment while enrolled in the nursing program.
3. Students enrolled in the Dallas College ADN Program must be physically able to care for patients that will involve lifting an adult patient of average size, moving, bathing, and transferring patients into and out of bed. Students will be on their feet for at least eight hours each clinical day. Students must be able to read fine print for medication administration purposes and be able to hear heart and breath sounds. Manual dexterity is required for skills such as starting IV’s, administering injections, etc. If a student has a medical condition which may compromise their ability to care for patients, a medical release from their physician may be required. Students will be exposed to infectious diseases.
4. Students must comply with class and clinical attendance requirements according to nursing student handbook guidelines which are published annually. Students who are absent from clinical for physical or mental illness, surgery or pregnancy reasons must present a written release from a physician before being allowed to return to the clinical setting. Students anticipating surgery or the delivery of baby are advised to wait until the following semester to apply to the nursing program.
5. Applicants to health sciences programs at Dallas College must submit physical examination and immunization documentation to CastleBranch no later than the program application deadline. The physical examination must be on the official physical form and must have been documented no earlier than 12 months prior to the application deadline. School records will NOT be accepted. The specific immunizations and screenings are indicated on the health form. Students must be up to date with immunization requirements throughout their enrollment in the ADN Program.

**Note: Additional proof of immunizations including titers (Blood Test) may be required by hospital clinical sites. [Immunization PE and CPR document](#)**

6. After acceptance to their respective health science program, SOHS students may be assigned to external learning experiences (“ELE”) in the form of clinicals, practicums or internships at external health care facilities that may require additional proof of immunity or additional inoculations/immunizations, including but not limited to vaccination for COVID-19, in accordance with their policies, procedures, and/or safety protocols (“collectively “Policies”). While assigned to an external health care facility SOHS students are subject to and must abide by the policies of the facility to which they are assigned. Dallas College cannot waive or make exceptions to those requirements; nor does the College control the requirements or policies imposed by external health care facilities. Requests for an exemption from such requirements as an accommodation (medical or religious) must be made with the external health care facility to which the student is assigned for the ELE. A health care facility reserves the right to remove a student from or deny access to the facility for failure to provide evidence of immunization. An SOHS student who is removed from or denied access to an external health care facility in connection with their immunization status is not guaranteed an alternative ELE site placement.
7. All applicants must be certified in BLS – Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers CPR certification. CPR certification from the American Heart Association (AHA), Red Cross, or Military-approved mechanism is the only approved CPR course and must be face-to-face or hybrid training. Completely online courses are not accepted. Some clinical sites may only accept AHA CPR cards. A photocopy of the front and back of the card must be submitted to CastleBranch no later than the program application deadline. The CPR certification must not expire prior to the anticipated program start date and must not expire during a semester when enrolled in the program. CPR courses are available at each Dallas College campus, the American Heart Association, various hospitals, independent instructors, etc.
8. Proof of current personal healthcare insurance coverage is required for all health sciences students. If documentation of coverage is not submitted to CastleBranch with immunization records, proof of coverage must be submitted in CastleBranch by the first day of the semester if a student is accepted to the program. Students must secure their own coverage. Information on college student policies and rates can be found at <https://www.healthcare.gov/>. The National Student Nurses’ Association also partners with United Healthcare which offers a student policy for their members. See the following link for more information:  
<http://augeobenefits.com/nsna/home.php>
9. After acceptance to their respective health science program, all students are required by the Dallas/Fort Worth Hospital Council member facilities to undergo a background check and drug screen prior to beginning their clinical experience. Students are responsible for all charges incurred for these screenings which is handled by CastleBranch. Results of these screenings are forwarded to the School of Health Sciences for review to verify that a student is eligible to attend a clinical rotation. These screening results become the property of the School of Health Sciences and will not be released to the student or any other third party.

A clinical affiliate/facility reserves the right to remove a student from the facility for suspicion of substance use or abuse including alcohol. The clinical affiliate/facility reserves the right to request that a student submit to a repeat drug screening at the student’s expense on the same day that the student is removed from the clinical facility. Failure to comply will result in the student’s immediate expulsion from the clinical facility. Furthermore, regardless of testing or testing results, a clinical affiliate/facility reserves the right to expel a student from their facility.

**Note: Should a student who has been accepted to a health science program be prohibited from attending a clinical rotation experience due to findings of a criminal background check and/or drug screening, the student may be dismissed from the program.**

Students are required to answer certain questions on the Texas Board of Nursing application for Registration by Examination to become licensed as a Registered Nurse. These questions are regarding criminal convictions, mental illness or chemical dependency, or prior disciplinary action by a licensing authority for nurses. Students answering “yes” to those questions must submit the required documents with an explanation to the Texas Board of Nursing at least eighteen (18) months prior to graduation. The Texas Board of Nursing will consider these documents and reach a decision regarding eligibility to write the licensing examination. An applicant may request a Declaratory Order (a decision by the Texas Board of Nursing regarding an applicant’s eligibility to take the licensing exam) prior to entering the program of nursing. More information on this issue is found on the Texas Board of Nursing website at [www.bon.texas.gov](http://www.bon.texas.gov).

10. The Dallas College ADN Program has also collaborated with BSN nursing programs at several Texas universities. Students in the Dallas College ADN Program will graduate as “core complete” with 60 credits hours. Completion of the 60-credit hour nursing program coupled with 60 additional credits in a BSN program will result in a true 120 credit hour Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing. All RN-BSN articulation programs are offered online, have no local residency requirement, and offer automatic acceptance to Dallas College nursing graduates.

#### ADN Contact Information

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