

# NURSING ADN - A.A.S.

College of Applied and Technical Studies  
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## About This Program

Our Associate of Applied Science in Nursing equips you with the skills and knowledge needed to make a difference in the healthcare industry. With experienced faculty, state-of-the-art facilities and clinical opportunities, you'll gain hands-on experience and prepare for a fulfilling career as a registered nurse. Enroll now and take the first step toward becoming a healthcare professional. Read more...

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- Speak with an Advisor
  - Ashtabula Campus
  - East Liverpool Campus
  - Tuscarawas Campus
  - Twinsburg Academic Center
- Chat with an Admissions Counselor

## Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
  - In person
- **Location:**
  - Ashtabula Campus
  - East Liverpool Campus
  - Tuscarawas Campus
  - Twinsburg Academic Center

## Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries\*

### Registered nurses

- 7.2% faster than the average
- 3,096,700 number of jobs
- \$75,330 potential earnings

## Accreditation

The associate degree in nursing at Kent State University is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400 Atlanta, GA 30326, (404) 975-5000. The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners is "continuing accreditation." View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program at <https://www.acenursing.org/search-programs/entry/2699/>. Information on Student Achievement Data, including NCLEX-RN pass rates and program completion rates, are available. The A.A.S. degree in Nursing ADN has full approval by the Ohio Board of Nursing.

\* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at

which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

## Admission Requirements

The university affirmatively strives to provide educational opportunities and access to students with varied backgrounds, those with special talents and adult students who graduated from high school three or more years ago.

Kent State campuses at Ashtabula, East Liverpool, Geauga, Salem, Stark, Trumbull and Tuscarawas, and the Twinsburg Academic Center, have open enrollment admission for students who hold a high school diploma, GED or equivalent.

Some programs may require that students meet certain requirements before progressing through the program. For programs with progression requirements, the information is shown on the Coursework tab.

For more information on admissions, contact the Regional Campuses admissions offices.

## Program Requirements

### Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Major Requirements (courses count in major GPA; min C grade required in all courses)</b>		
NRST 10012	PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION FOR NURSING	1
NRST 10014	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING I	1
NRST 20015	MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	3
NRST 20022	NURSING II	6
NRST 20023	NURSING III	6
NRST 20214	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING II	2
NRST 20217	MATERNAL CHILD AND FAMILY NURSING	4
NRST 20219	TRANSITION TO NURSING PRACTICE	2
<b>Additional Requirements (courses do not count in major GPA; min C grade required in all courses)</b>		
BSCI 11010	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I (KBS) (KLAB) <sup>1</sup>	3
BSCI 11020	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II (KBS) (KLAB) <sup>1</sup>	3
BSCI 20021	BASIC MICROBIOLOGY	3-4
or BSCI 30171	GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY	
NUTR 23511	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS) <sup>1</sup>	3
or NUTR 33512	INTERMEDIATE NUTRITION SCIENCE	
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Mathematics Electives, Choose from the following:		3-5
MATH 10040	INTRODUCTORY STATISTICS PLUS (KMCR)	
MATH 10041	INTRODUCTORY STATISTICS (KMCR)	
MATH 10772	MODELING ALGEBRA PLUS (KMCR)	
MATH 11009	MODELING ALGEBRA (KMCR)	
MATH 11010	ALGEBRA FOR CALCULUS (KMCR)	
Kent Core Composition		3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts		3
<b>Additional Requirements or Concentrations</b>		
Choose from the following:		14

Additional Requirements for Students Not Declaring a Concentration	
LPN to ADN Concentration	
Paramedic to ADN Concentration	
Minimum Total Credit Hours:	64

<sup>1</sup> Students who have successfully completed BSCI 21010 and BSCI 21020 or (ATTR 25057 and ATTR 25058) or (EXSC 25057 and EXSC 25058) may use those courses in place of BSCI 11010 and BSCI 11020.

Additional Requirements for Students Not Declaring a Concentration

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements (courses count in major GPA)		
NRST 10011	FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING (min C grade)	5
NRST 10013	NURSING I (min C grade)	6
NURS 20950	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS (min C grade) <sup>1</sup>	3
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		14

<sup>1</sup> NURS 20950 must be completed within the past five years prior to admission to the program and a minimum C grade must be earned.

LPN to ADN Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)		
NRST 10011	FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING (min C grade)	5
NRST 10013	NURSING I (min C grade)	6
NRST 10016	LPN TO ADN TRANSITION COURSE (min C grade) <sup>1</sup>	3
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		14

<sup>1</sup> Upon successful completion of NRST 10016, students are awarded transfer credit hours (no grade) for NRST 10011 and NRST 10013.

Paramedic to ADN Concentrations Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Concentration Requirements (courses count in major GPA)		
NRST 10013	NURSING I (min C grade)	6
NRST 10018	PARAMEDIC TO ADN TRANSITION (min C grade)	5
NURS 20950	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS (min C grade) <sup>1</sup>	3
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		14

<sup>1</sup> NURS 20950 must be completed within the past five years prior to admission to the program and a minimum C grade must be earned.

Progression Requirements

To be able to register for Nursing Technology (NRST) courses, students must be accepted to technical study. Acceptance is a selective process. Criteria for acceptance are the following:

- Minimum 2.700 overall GPA
- Minimum C grade in high school or college-level courses in algebra, biology and chemistry
- Completion of developmental coursework prescribed by placement testing
- Completion of the Associate Degree in Nursing Program Application

A NSRT course may be repeated one time for a total of two attempts, but the student may only apply for reentry one time to the A.A.S. degree in Nursing.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000
• Minimum C grade in theory and a designation of "passing" for performance in the clinical area (if applicable) must be achieved for each nursing course.	
• Minimum C grade in all required courses, including developmental courses.	

Roadmaps

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Nursing Major (No Concentration)

Semester One		Credits
BSCI 11010	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I (KBS) (KLAB)	3
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
NRST 10011	FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING	5
NRST 10012	PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION FOR NURSING	1
NRST 10014	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING I	1
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Mathematics Elective		3
Credit Hours		17
Semester Two		
BSCI 11020	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II (KBS) (KLAB)	3
NRST 10013	NURSING I	6
NRST 20015	MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	3
NRST 20214	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING II	2
NUTR 23511	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS)	3
or	or INTERMEDIATE NUTRITION SCIENCE	
NUTR 33512		
Credit Hours		17
Semester Three		
NRST 20022	NURSING II	6
NRST 20217	MATERNAL CHILD AND FAMILY NURSING	4
NURS 20950	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS	3
BSCI 20021	BASIC MICROBIOLOGY	3
Credit Hours		16
Semester Four		
NRST 20023	NURSING III	6
NRST 20219	TRANSITION TO NURSING PRACTICE	2

Kent Core Requirement	6
<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Minimum Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>64</b>

## LPN to ADN Concentration

Semester One		Credits
BSCI 11010	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I (KBS) (KLAB)	3
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Mathematics Elective		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
Semester Two		
BSCI 11020	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II (KBS) (KLAB)	3
NRST 10014	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING I	1
NRST 10016	LPN TO ADN TRANSITION COURSE	3
NUTR 23511 or NUTR 33512	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS) or INTERMEDIATE NUTRITION SCIENCE	3
Kent Core Requirement		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>13</b>
First Summer Term		
NRST 20015	MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	3
NRST 20214	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING II	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
Semester Three		
BSCI 20021	BASIC MICROBIOLOGY	3
NRST 20022	NURSING II	6
NRST 20217	MATERNAL CHILD AND FAMILY NURSING	4
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>13</b>
Semester Four		
NRST 20023	NURSING III	6
NRST 20219	TRANSITION TO NURSING PRACTICE	2
Kent Core Requirement		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>11</b>
Second Summer Term		
NRST 10011	FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING	5
NRST 10012	PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION FOR NURSING	1
NRST 10013	NURSING I	6
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Minimum Total Credit Hours:</b>		<b>64</b>

## Paramedic to ADN Concentration

Semester One		Credits
BSCI 11010	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I (KBS) (KLAB)	3
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Mathematics Elective		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
Semester Two		
BSCI 11020	FOUNDATIONAL ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II (KBS) (KLAB)	3
NRST 10014	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING I	1
NRST 10018	PARAMEDIC TO ADN TRANSITION	5

NUTR 23511 or NUTR 33512	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS) or INTERMEDIATE NUTRITION SCIENCE	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
First Summer Term		
NRST 20015	MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	3
NRST 20214	PHARMACOLOGY FOR NURSING II	2
Kent Core Requirement		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>8</b>
Semester Three		
BSCI 20021	BASIC MICROBIOLOGY	3
NRST 20022	NURSING II	6
NRST 20217	MATERNAL CHILD AND FAMILY NURSING	4
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>13</b>
Semester Four		
NRST 20023	NURSING III	6
NRST 20219	TRANSITION TO NURSING PRACTICE	2
Kent Core Requirement		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>11</b>
Second Summer Term		
NRST 10012	PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION FOR NURSING	1
NRST 10013	NURSING I	6
NURS 20950	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Minimum Total Credit Hours:</b>		<b>64</b>

## University Requirements

All students in an applied or technical associate degree program at Kent State University must complete the following university requirements for graduation.

**NOTE:** University requirements may be fulfilled in this program by specific course requirements, please see Program Requirements for details.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
	Flashes 101 (UC 10001)	1
	Course is not required for students with 30+ transfer credits (excluding College Credit Plus) or age 21+ at time of admission.	
	Kent Core (see table below)	15
	<b>Total Credit Hour Requirement</b>	<b>60</b>
	Some associate degrees require students to complete more than 60 credit hours.	

## Kent Core Requirements

Kent Core Composition (KCOMP)	3
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (KMCR)	3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (KHUM/KFA)	3
Kent Core Social Sciences (KSS)	3
Kent Core Basic Sciences (KBS/KLAB)	3
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>15</b>

## Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Provide safe and effective nursing care which respects patient values, cultures, and beliefs.
2. Demonstrate effective communication and collaborate with patients, families, caregivers and health care team members.
3. Demonstrate leadership and the ability to manage nursing care in a professional manner following legal and ethical guidelines.
4. Use quality improvement data and current evidence for delivery of optimal nursing care.
5. Use technology to communicate, manage knowledge, and support decision-making.

## Full Description

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Nursing prepares students for the registered nurse profession. The curriculum is designed to meet today's health care needs by focusing on the registered nurse's role in communities, hospitals, clinics and home health care.

Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

The Nursing major includes the following optional concentrations:

- The LPN to ADN concentration is a completer program for students who are licensed practical nurses.
- The Paramedic to ADN concentration is a completer program for students who are certified paramedics.

## Professional Licensure Disclosure

This program is designed to prepare students to sit for applicable licensure or certification in Ohio. If you plan to pursue licensure or certification in a state other than Ohio, please review state educational requirements for licensure or certification and contact information for state licensing boards at Kent State's website for professional licensure disclosure.