

Midland College Associate Degree Nursing Program and Admission Information



Admission Process

All students interested in obtaining information about the A.D.N. Program are encouraged to visit the Midland College website and attend a group advisement session. Information regarding these sessions may be obtained by e-mail at nursing@midland.edu or by calling the Midland College Nursing Clerk.

All students interested in making application to the A.D.N. Program must complete an applicant file. In order to be considered for admission, students must meet college admission criteria and turn in the following documentation:

- Health Sciences application (available online)
- Transcripts of applicable college work (Unofficial transcripts can be used to complete the A.D.N. file. However, application to the college will require an official transcript sent to the registrar.)
- BIOL 2401 and BIOL 2402 (or equivalent) taken within 5 years of admission date with grades of “C” or better
- HPRS 1106 with a grade of “C” or better
- Must meet minimum requirements of ONLY ONE of the following tests:
 - ACT (Reading = 24)
 - SAT (Verbal = 500)
 - NET (Reading = 67)
 - Nelson Denny (Grade = 13)
- Proof of current Certified Nurse Aid (C.N.A.) certification
- Satisfy THEA or alternative THEA requirements

Only completed files are accepted by the nursing clerk. Students are selected for admission into the A.D.N. Program based solely on a completed applicant file and accumulated admission points. Points are earned for completion of certain non-nursing courses. See Admission Points Worksheet for the calculation of admission points.

Thirty students are admitted each Fall and Spring semester.

The completed applicant file must be turned in by May 25 for Fall admission or August 25 for Spring admission.

Program/Curriculum Information

- BIOL 2401, 2402, 2421 and RNSG 1201 (Anatomy and Physiology I and II, Microbiology and Pharmacology) *must* have been taken within five (5) years of the admission date.
- Non-nursing courses may be taken earlier, but must be taken no later than the semester in which they are listed on the Associate Degree Nursing Schedule. See page 5.
- Approximate cost for the ADN education (including non-nursing courses) is **\$8,200.00**, with a large portion of these expenses being payable in the beginning and ending semesters. Scholarships and financial aid should be arranged early by contacting the Financial Aid Office in the Student Center at Midland College. After acceptance into the ADN Program, financial aid *may* be available from numerous community agencies. Further information regarding nursing scholarships will be given upon acceptance to the program.
- RNSG 1201 (Pharmacology) and RNSG 1108 (Dosage Calculations for Nursing) are the only nursing courses (prefix RNSG) students are allowed to take prior to the acceptance into the program.
- Only applicants who have completed the entire application process and requirements for admission will be considered in the selection process. It is the student’s responsibility to update their applicant file.
- In the event that there are two or more students qualified with the same number of admission points for the thirtieth position in a class, the thirtieth position will be offered to the candidate whose file has the earliest completion date.

- Information regarding the NET test may be retained at the testing center at 685-4504. Information regarding the Nelson – Denny test may be obtained through the Health Science Division Office at 685-4601.
- ADN students are required to be certified in American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider (CPR) and to remain certified throughout the two years in the program.
- **Mandatory** criminal background check and drug screen will be conducted before students can participate in clinical settings.

Additional Information

The provisions and information set forth in this packet are intended for informational purposes only and are subject to modification without notice.

For additional information, please contact:

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Associate Degree Nursing Program
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E-mail: nursing@midland.edu

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS CONCERNING LICENSURE

Under certain circumstances it is possible to graduate from a nursing school in the State of Texas and yet not be allowed to take the Registered Nurse licensure exam, NCLEX-RN-CAT. The Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas (BNE) has been given the authority by law to protect the public from incompetent or unsafe nurses. Part of their mandated responsibility is to screen individuals applying for R.N. licensure.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, specifically the Texas Nursing Practice Act, notice is given to students who intend to apply for registration as a registered professional nurse that all applicants for licensure are required to answer the questions contained in this document. If the student/applicant must answer yes to any of the questions, or in any way question his or her eligibility to take NCLEX-RN-CAT upon successful graduation from nursing school, the student/applicant **must** petition the BNE for a Declaratory Order. Upon receiving the Declaratory Order, the graduate nurse can take the NCLEX-RN-CAT and will receive a work permit. **The student, even though he or she has graduated from nursing school, cannot take the NCLEX-RN-CAT or receive a work permit if a Declaratory Order is needed but not granted.**

The process to obtain a Declaratory Order can be quite lengthy. Therefore, if the student believes he or she will require a Declaratory Order to take NCLEX-RN-CAT, the application process should start **immediately**. The application process can take up to 2 years.

The questions below must be answered honestly. The BNE conducts FBI background checks on applicants so do not attempt to falsify information. **Specifically, a Petition for Declaratory Order must be submitted by the nursing candidate if any of the following criteria apply:**

1. If you have ever had any licensing authority: 1) refuse to issue you a license; 2) revoke a license; 3) annul a license; 4) cancel a license; 5) accept surrender of a license; 6) suspend a license; 7) place a license on probation; 8) refuse to renew a professional license or certificate held by you now or previously; or 9) ever fine, censure, reprimand, or otherwise discipline a license issued to you.
2. If you have you ever been arrested in any state, territory, or country, including expunged offenses and deferred adjudication(s) with or without prejudice of guilt for anything other than a minor traffic violation. (DUIs, DWIs, and PIs must be reported and are not considered minor traffic violations.) Please note that one minor in possession (MIP) is not required to be reported. **Multiple MIP's must be reported.**
3. If you have ever been convicted, adjudged guilty by a court, pled guilty or pled nolo contendere to any crime (felony or misdemeanor) whether or not a sentence was imposed (excluding minor traffic violations).

4. If you have any criminal charges pending against you in any court.
5. If you have been diagnosed, treated, or hospitalized in the past five (5) years for schizophrenia or other psychotic disorder, bipolar disorders, paranoid personality disorder, antisocial personality disorder, or borderline personality disorder. (You may answer “no” if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN for mental illness.)
6. If you have been addicted or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug within the past five (5) years? (You may answer “no” if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN for substance abuse.)
7. If you have been issued an order concerning your eligibility for examination or licensure by any Board or if you have ever received a proposal of ineligibility.

Students who believe the above information will affect eligibility to take NCLEX-RN-CAT should request information regarding a Declaratory Order by contacting the BNE at:

Website: www.bne.state.tx.us Go to Table of Contents; Examination; Declaratory Orders Form

Phone number: 512-305-7400

Address: Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas
P.O. Box 430 Austin, Texas 78767-0430

For advisement and assistance in preparing the necessary documentation to obtain a Declaratory Order, students have the option of meeting with the ADN Program Director or contacting the BNE and initiating the process themselves. The application for Declaratory Order is strictly confidential. A criminal background check is mandatory upon admission to the A.D.N. program.

Health Requirements upon Acceptance to the A.D.N. Program

Upon acceptance into the Midland College Associate Degree Nursing Program, the student is required to have a physical examination performed by a health care provider. A urine drug screen is required. The state of Texas and the nursing program requires specific current immunizations and/or lab tests. The student is also required to verify current health insurance and current health care provider CPR. Upon acceptance to the A.D.N. program, detailed instructions are mailed to the student regarding these health requirements. The final (3rd) Hepatitis B immunization or evidence of immunity through a serum titer must be on file in order to attend clinical courses.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING SCHEDULE

The course sequence will vary according to the semester in which you enter the program. See Midland College catalogue for course progression. It is important to know the course catalogue does not reflect:

1. The time you will need to spend viewing audio-visual material for class, clinical, or simulation laboratory requirements.
2. The time you spend in the computer lab.
3. The time you spend at the hospital on the day prior to the scheduled clinical time in preparation for the clinical experience the following day (selected courses).

ADMISSION POINTS WORK SHEET

Prospective ADN Student: This work sheet has been prepared for you to track your admission requirements and point standing. Applicants are required to have a minimum of **5 points** to be considered for the program. If a course is repeated the highest earned grade will be used to calculate admission points. It is the student's responsibility to update their file accordingly. An official checklist is in your ADN applicant file. Completed files must be turned in no later than **May 25th** for Fall admission and no later than **August 25th** for Spring admission. A place in each semester's class is given to the top thirty applicants as determined by points (5 point minimum).

FILE COMPLETION IS THE STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY. ONLY COMPLETE FILES WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR ADMISSION.

ADMISSION TO THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM Student Worksheet

Minimal Requirements for Admission	Possible Points	Your Points
Met general college admission criteria	n/a	
Health Sciences application form	n/a	
Completion of REQUIRED courses: BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I & BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II & HPRS 1106 Medical Terminology	A=4, B=2 A=4, B=2 A=2, B=1	
Met THEA or alternative THEA requirements	n/a	
Met READING requirement (select ONE): Nelson-Denny Test (13 or better) Nurse Entrance Test (Composite reading score of 67% or better) ACT (Reading score of 24 or better) SAT (Verbal score of 500 or better)	n/a	
Proof of current Certified Nurse Aide status	n/a	
Courses NOT REQUIRED for Admission		
ENGL 1301 Composition and Rhetoric	A=2, B=1	
SSP 0210 Student Success for Health Care Studies or HPRS 1201 Introduction to Health Professions	A=1	

Students needing to take courses to make a load of 12+ hours should consider enrolling in the following courses. Please note the latest semester of the nursing program in which the course may be taken.

Other Courses Required for Completion of the Degree	Date	Grade
BIOL 2421 Microbiology (NLT* 1 st semester)		
RNSG 1108 Dosage and Calculations (NLT* 1 st semester)		
RNSG 1201 Pharmacology (NLT* 2 nd semester)		
PSYC 2301 Introduction to Psychology (before RNSG 2213 class)		
PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth & Development (before RNSG 1412)		
ITSC 1191 Special Topics in Computer & Information Science, General		
Visual and Performing Arts & Humanities		

*NLT=no later than. Note: At time of application students may submit unofficial copies of transcripts showing courses used to satisfy admission requirements. When student is accepted into nursing program, students must obtain official copies of college transcripts.

MIDLAND COLLEGE
3600 NORTH GARFIELD
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79705

REQUEST FOR TRANSCRIPT

TO: Registrar's Office

Institution

City State Zip Code

Please send one (1) copy of my official transcript of academic record at your institution to:

Midland College
ATTN: Registrar
3600 North Garfield
Midland, Texas 79705

I attended your institution from _____ 19__ to _____ 19__ under the name
of _____.

Student's Signature

PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Full Name

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Present Address

City State Zip Code

NOTE: Transcripts should be sent after final grades are recorded.

TO THE STUDENT REQUESTING
THE TRANSCRIPT:

Most institutions require the payment of a fee before issuing the transcript. You will conserve time by including payment with your request. Please remember that there will be a **HOLD** on your Midland College records until the transcript from the last school you attended is on file. It is your responsibility to check with the Registrar's Office to see if your transcript has been received.