



## Practical Nursing Program Information and Application Packet

The UACCB Practical Nursing Program is approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing, University Tower Bldg., 1123 South University, Suite 800, Little Rock, AR 72204-1619, 501-686-2700. The 11-month program prepares graduates for the NCLEX PN licensure exam and entry level competency as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). The 11-month technical certificate program combines classroom and clinical practicum instruction. Eligible students enter the program each August following an application and selection process.

The curriculum is comprised of 17 general education credits and 36 practical nursing credits. Students who successfully complete the program with a grade of C or higher in all course work earn a Technical Certificate. Graduates who meet Arkansas State Board of Nursing requirements are eligible to apply for the National Council of Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN) to become a Licensed Practical Nurse.

Only those applicants who meet ALL admission selection criteria will be considered for admission. Applications and pre-admission testing information and dates are available at the Division of Nursing and Allied Health offices or the UACCB website: <http://www.uaccb.edu/index.php?id=44>. **Please call 870-612-2071 to schedule a Kaplan Nurse Entrance Test date.** Kaplan Nurse Entrance Test information is available at the NAH Reception desk.

<b>Applications accepted:</b>	<b>March 15 - May 1</b>
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### PLEASE NOTE:

\*Any applicant seeking transfer credit for pre-requisite courses must submit official transcript(s) to the Enrollment Center in a timely manner. Applicants who are lacking official transfer credit for pre-requisite courses may not enter the program.

\*Applicants to the PN program should be aware that potential bars for licensure are set forth by ACA §17-87-312.

Acceptance in and completion of a nursing program does not guarantee the ASBN will grant approval to take the licensure examination. A copy of this act may be found at [www.arsbn.org](http://www.arsbn.org) in the Nurse Practice Act

Practical Nursing Program admission eligibility criteria:

- Admitted to UACCB (UACCB Admissions Office)
- Cumulative college Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher on a 4.00 scale
- Score of 50% or higher on Kaplan Nurse Entrance Test\*
- Grade of "C" or better on all pre-requisite courses\*\*
- No more than eight credit hours of pre-requisite courses to be completed during the summer session preceding the start of the nursing program
- Letter of good standing for applicants who have previously attended a PN program

*\*Class Size is limited, therefore may be filled with applicants who score well above 50%*

*\*\* Official transcripts for all pre-requisite courses taken at other colleges must be submitted to the Admissions Office for transfer credit evaluation*

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# University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville

## Practical Nursing Technical Certificate Program

### Admission Process

#### Eligible Applicants

- Admitted to UACCB (UACCB Admissions Office)
- Completed PN Nursing Application (Application period: **March 15, 2017 – May 1, 2017**) (Return to: UACCB Nursing Department)
- Cumulative college Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher on a 4.00 scale
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Weighted Point System	
Item	Points
a. Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology <sup>1</sup> within five years of starting Nursing core courses (C = 50 Points, B = 75 Points, A = 100 Points)	
b. Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology <sup>1</sup> Lab within five years of starting Nursing core courses (C = 50 Points, B = 75 Points, A = 100 Points)	
c. CNA licensure <sup>2</sup> (50 Points) or Health Skills (7 credit hours) (100 points)	
d. Unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher on a scale of 4.00 for all college coursework (50 Points)	
e. Unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.00 for all college coursework. (50 Points) <sup>3</sup>	
f. Kaplan Overall Score (Points = Score) (up to 100 points)	
g. Kaplan Science Score (Points = Score x 2) (up to 200 points)	
h. Kaplan Critical Thinking Score (Points = Score) (up to 100 points)	
<b>Maximum Points Available = 800</b>	<b>Total</b>

<sup>1</sup> BIO 2003/2001 Anatomy and Physiology I with lab AND BIO 2013/2011 Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab may be substituted for BIO 1013/1011 Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology with Lab (The lecture and lab grades will be averaged, multiplied by 25, and rounded to the nearest whole number to determine points for this option. Example: A&P I Lecture grade of “A” and A&P II Lecture grade of “B” would generate  $4.0 + 3.0 / 2 = 3.5$ ,  $3.5 \times 25 = 87.5$ , round up to equal 88 points. This would be the point total for Item “a.” The same logic applies to Item “b.”)

<sup>2</sup> Applicants who possess a current Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) license may be exempted from NAH 1507 Health Skills.

<sup>3</sup> Items “d” and “e” combined equal a total of 100 possible points.

Applicants with the highest point totals are admitted first. If there is a tie among point totals prior to reaching program capacity, the following formula will be used to determine selection: **(Cumulative score on Kaplan Nurse Entrance Test) + (Overall GPA x 25)**

## PN PROGRAM INFORMATION

### Practical Nursing Technical Certificate Degree Plan

Pre-requisite general education courses	Practical Nursing courses
BIO 1013 Essential of Anatomy & Physiology <sup>1</sup> BIO 1011 Essentials of Anatomy & Physiology Lab <sup>1</sup> NAH 1507 Health Skills <sup>2</sup> ENG 1103 English Composition I MTH 0003 Beginning Algebra (or higher level Math course)	PNG 1110 PN Theory I PNG 1105 PN Practicum I  PNG 1210 PN Theory II PNG 1205 PN Practicum II  PNG 1304 PN Theory III PNG 1302 PN Practicum III

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<sup>2</sup>Applicants who possess a current Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) license may be exempted from NAH 1507 Health Skills.

ESTIMATED Program expenses	PNG 1110 & 1105 Fall Semester	PNG 1210 & 1205 Spring Semester	PNG 1304 & 1302 Summer Semester
Tuition and Fees <sup>3</sup>			
In-district	\$1537.50	\$1537.50	\$624.00
Out-of-district	\$1740.00	\$1740.00	\$705.00
<b>Additional required expenses</b>			
General nursing fee	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Uniforms & Program Insignia <sup>4</sup>	\$260.00		
Accessories (stethoscope, watch, scissors) <sup>4</sup>	\$60.00		
Criminal background check <sup>4</sup>	\$51.00		
Textbooks <sup>5</sup>	<a href="http://www.uaccb.edu">www.uaccb.edu</a>		
<b>In-district TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2208.50</b>	<b>\$1837.50</b>	<b>\$924.00</b>
<b>Out-of-district TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2411.00</b>	<b>\$2040.00</b>	<b>\$1005.00</b>

<sup>3</sup>Estimated expenses for the nursing major courses only. Cost for pre-requisite and co-requisite general education courses not included.

<sup>4</sup>Uniform, program insignia, accessories, and certified background check are a one-time expense incurred during the semester of program entry.

<sup>5</sup>Textbook purchase price is not included in the estimated program expenses.

#### Program Approval

Arkansas State Board of Nursing  
1123 South University, Suite 800  
Little Rock, AR 72204-1619  
Phone: (501) 686-2700  
*Continuing Accreditation through June 2018*

#### Program retention and NCLEX PN pass rates

Graduate Year	Percent of students completing PN program	Percent of students passing NCLEX PN licensure exam	
		1 <sup>st</sup> attempt	All attempts
2016	40%	94.1%	100%
2015	59%	73.9%	78.3%
2014	84%	69%	93%
2013	87%	88%	94%
2012	73%	94%	100%

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# UACCB Practical Nursing Program Application

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last*
*Other or Maiden Name*
*First*
*Middle Initial*

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street or P.O. Box*
*City*
*State*
*Zip*

Telephone: Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

5 or 6 digit UACCB ID number (SS# if no UACCB ID): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Answer the following questions by circling YES or NO and providing requested information where indicated:**

- Are you currently American Heart Association CPR certified?    **YES**    **NO**    Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you currently employed in a healthcare facility?        **YES**    **NO**    Name of facility: \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you previously applied to a UACCB nursing program?    **YES**    **NO**    Which program? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you attended any other PN nursing program?        **YES**    **NO**    Where: \_\_\_\_\_ When: \_\_\_\_\_  
*A letter of good standing from the nursing program Director is required.*
- Do you speak English as a second language?                **YES**    **NO**    <sup>1</sup>Acceptable TOEFL scores required.

Is your cumulative GPA 2.5 or higher?                                **YES**    **NO**

<sup>1</sup>The Arkansas State Board of Nursing requires all nursing students who speak English as a second language to demonstrate English proficiency.

Indicate where you completed or plan to complete the following courses:	At what college?	When Semester/Year	Final Grade
*BIO 1013 Essential of Anatomy & Physiology			
*BIO 1011 Essentials of Anatomy & Physiology LAB			
ENG 1103 English Composition I			
MTH 0003 Beginning Algebra (or higher level Math course)			
NAH 1507 Health Skills I			

**Provide the name(s) of any other colleges you have attended in the space below.**

**I attest that the information provided on this application is accurate and complete.**

**Applicant signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Potential Bars for Licensure as a Nurse

**The Arkansas State Board of Nursing (ASBN) requires a criminal background check for all graduates applying for licensure. Graduating from a nursing program does not assure ASBN approval to take the licensure examination. Eligibility to take the licensure examination is dependent on meeting requirements set forth by the ASBN Nurse Practice Act and Rules. Anyone who has pleaded guilty, nolo contendere, or found guilty of any of the offenses stated in ACA § 17-87-312 (listed below) may be ineligible to obtain or hold a nursing license in Arkansas. Additional information is available at <http://www.arsbn.arkansas.gov/lawsRules/Pages/nursePracticeAct.aspx>**

- (a) Each first-time applicant for a license issued by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall apply to the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police for a state and national criminal background check, to be conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- (b) The check shall conform to the applicable federal standards and shall include the taking of fingerprints.
- (c) The applicant shall sign a release of information to the board and shall be responsible to the Department of Arkansas State Police for the payment of any fee associated with the criminal background check.
- (d) Upon completion of the criminal background check, the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police shall forward to the board all information obtained concerning the applicant in the commission of any offense listed in subsection (e) of this section.
- (e) Except as provided in subdivision (l)(1) of this section, no person shall be eligible to receive or hold a license issued by the board if that person has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the following offenses by any court in the State of Arkansas or of any similar offense by a court in another state or of any similar offense by a federal court:
  - (1) Capital murder as prohibited in § 5-10-101;
  - (2) Murder in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-10-102 and murder in the second degree as prohibited in § 5-10-103;
  - (3) Manslaughter as prohibited in § 5-10-104;
  - (4) Negligent homicide as prohibited in § 5-10-105;
  - (5) Kidnapping as prohibited in § 5-11-102;
  - (6) False imprisonment in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-11-103;
  - (7) Permanent detention or restraint as prohibited in § 5-11-106;
  - (8) Robbery as prohibited in § 5-12-102;
  - (9) Aggravated robbery as prohibited in § 5-12-103;
  - (10) Battery in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-13-201;
  - (11) Aggravated assault as prohibited in § 5-13-204;
  - (12) Introduction of controlled substance into the body of another person as prohibited in § 5-13-210;
  - (13) Terroristic threatening in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-13-301;
  - (14) Rape as prohibited in §§ 5-14-103;
  - (15) Sexual indecency with a child as prohibited in § 5-14-110;
  - (16) Sexual assault in the first degree, second degree, third degree, and fourth degree as prohibited in §§ 5-14-124 – 5-14-127;
  - (17) Incest as prohibited in § 5-26-202;
  - (18) Offenses against the family as prohibited in §§ 5-26-303 - 5-26-306;
  - (19) Endangering the welfare of an incompetent person in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-27-201;
  - (20) Endangering the welfare of a minor in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-27-203;
  - (21) Permitting abuse of a child as prohibited in § 5-27-221(a)(1) and (3);
  - (22) Engaging children in sexually explicit conduct for use in visual or print media, transportation of minors for prohibited sexual conduct, pandering or possessing visual or print medium depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child, or use of a child or consent to use of a child in a sexual performance by producing, directing, or promoting a sexual performance by a child as prohibited in §§ 5-27-303 - 5-27-305, 5-27-402, and 5-27-403;
  - (23) Felony adult abuse as prohibited in § 5-28-103;
  - (24) Theft of property as prohibited in § 5-36-103;
  - (25) Theft by receiving as prohibited in § 5-36-106;
  - (26) Arson as prohibited in § 5-38-301;
  - (27) Burglary as prohibited in § 5-39-201;
  - (28) Felony violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act §§ 5-64-101 – 5-64-608 as prohibited in § 5-64-401;
  - (29) Promotion of prostitution in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-70-104;
  - (30) Stalking as prohibited in § 5-71-229;
  - (31) Criminal attempt, criminal complicity, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy as prohibited in §§ 5-3-201, 5-3-202, 5-3-301, and 5-3-401, to commit any of the offenses listed in this subsection;
  - (32) Computer child pornography as prohibited in § 5-27-603; and
  - (33) Computer exploitation of a child in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-27-605.

## Potential Bars for Licensure *continued*

(f)(1)(A) The board may issue a nonrenewable temporary permit for licensure to a first-time applicant pending the results of the criminal background check.

(B) The permit shall be valid for no more than six (6) months.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (1)(1) of this section, upon receipt of information from the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police that the person holding the letter of provisional licensure has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or has been found guilty of, any offense listed in subsection (e) of this section, the board shall immediately revoke the provisional license.

(g)(1) The provisions of subsections (e) and subdivision (f)(2) of this section may be waived by the board upon the request of:

(A) An affected applicant for licensure; or

(B) The person holding a license subject to revocation.

(2) Circumstances for which a waiver may be granted shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) The age at which the crime was committed;

(B) The circumstances surrounding the crime;

(C) The length of time since the crime;

(D) Subsequent work history;

(E) Employment references;

(F) Character references; and

(G) Other evidence demonstrating that the applicant does not pose a threat to the health or safety of the public.

(h)(1) Any information received by the board from the Identification Bureau of the Department of Arkansas State Police pursuant to this section shall not be available for examination except by:

(A) The affected applicant for licensure, or his authorized representative; or

(B) The person whose license is subject to revocation or his or her authorized representative.

(2) No record, file, or document shall be removed from the custody of the Department of Arkansas State Police.

(i) Any information made available to the affected applicant for licensure or the person whose license is subject to revocation shall be information pertaining to that person only.

(j) Rights of privilege and confidentiality established in this section shall not extend to any document created for purposes other than this background check.

(k) The board shall adopt the necessary rules and regulations to fully implement the provisions of this section.

(l)(1) For purposes of this section, an expunged record of a conviction or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to an offense listed in subsection (e) of this section shall not be considered a conviction, guilty plea, or nolo contendere plea to the offense unless the offense is also listed in subdivision (1)(2) of this section.

(2) Because of the serious nature of the offenses and the close relationship to the type of work that is to be performed, the following shall result in permanent disqualification:

(A) Capital murder as prohibited in § 5-10-101;

(B) Murder in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-10-102 and murder in the second degree as prohibited in § 5-10-103;

(C) Kidnapping as prohibited in § 5-11-102;

(D) Rape as prohibited in § 5-14-103;

(E) Sexual assault in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-14-124 and sexual assault in the second degree as prohibited in § 5-14-125;

(F) Endangering the welfare of a minor in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-27-203 and endangering the welfare of a minor in the second degree as prohibited in § 5-27-204;

(G) Incest as prohibited in § 5-26-202;

(H) Arson as prohibited in § 5-38-301;

(I) Endangering the welfare of incompetent person in the first degree as prohibited in § 5-27-201; and

(J) Adult abuse that constitutes a felony as prohibited in § 5-28-103.

***My signature acknowledges that I have been notified of the potential bars for licensure.***

**Applicant signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Required Physical and Mental Abilities:

The delivery of nursing care is both physically and mentally demanding. Students preparing to enter a UACCB nursing program are required to be physically and mentally capable of completing the clinical and theory requirements. At a minimum, the following mental and physical abilities will be required throughout the nursing program. These same abilities will likely also be needed throughout a nursing career.

The following mental and physical abilities are required in the nursing program:

1. Work in a standing position and walk for long periods of time.
2. Lift and transfer patients up to 6 inches from a stooped position, then push or pull weight up to 3 feet.
3. Lift and transfer patients from a stooped to an upright position to accomplish bed-to-chair and chair-to-bed transfers.
4. Apply up to 10 pounds of pressure to bleeding sites and in performing CPR.
5. Respond and react immediately to auditory instruction, request, and/or monitor equipment, perform auscultation without auditory impairment.
6. Perform up to twelve hours in a clinical laboratory setting.
7. Perform close and distance visual activities involving objects, people, and paperwork, as well as discriminate depth and color perception.
8. Discriminate between sharp/dull and hot/cold when using hands.
9. Perform mathematical calculations for medication preparation/administration.
10. Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, using appropriate grammar and vocabulary and penmanship with classmates, faculty, and members of the community.
11. React appropriately under stressful situations.
12. Demonstrate evidence of critical thinking in various settings.
13. Demonstrate gross and fine motor dexterity.
14. Participate effectively in group activities.

***My signature indicates that I have the physical and mental abilities required in the PN Program.***

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please take a few minutes to carefully review your application to ensure that all information is accurate and complete, and all forms are signed and dated where indicated.**

**Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

**Mail or return pages 4 – 7 to:** *(Faxed copies cannot be accepted)*

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