

**Associate Degree Nursing  
Generic Day Track  
(Grenada and Ridgeland Campuses)**

The student must complete and pass with a C or higher the following courses as prerequisites for admission in the ADN at Holmes Community College – Total 15 hours: BIO 2514 – Anatomy & Physiology I, BIO 2524 – Anatomy & Physiology II, BIO 2924 – Microbiology, BIO 1613 or FCS 1253 – Nutrition.

<b>First Year</b>			
<b><u>First Semester</u></b>		<b><u>Second Semester</u></b>	
Nursing I	NUR 1119	Nursing II	NUR 1229
English Composition I	ENG 1113	Human Growth & Development	EPY/PSY 2533
General Psychology I	PSY 1513		
<b>Total</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>*12 Hours</b>

<b>Second Year</b>			
<b><u>First Semester</u></b>		<b><u>Second Semester</u></b>	
Nursing III	NUR 2119	Nursing IV	NUR 2239
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	Management of Nursing Care	NUR 2243
<b>Total</b>	<b>*12 Hours</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>*12 Hours</b>

**Total Hours for Generic Program – 66**

Enrollment in NUR courses is limited to students who have been admitted into the ADN program. Nursing courses must be taken in sequence. The prescribed curriculum plan is to be followed unless exceptions are approved by the ADN Director and Academic Dean. Without this approval, the student may not be allowed to progress. Once students are enrolled in a class in the program, they are required to take all remaining coursework with Holmes Community College unless written permission is granted by the Director of the Associate Degree Nursing Program.

\*Enrollment in a minimum of 15 hours each semester is recommended for eligibility for state aid, institutional scholarships, and the tuition break.

**Associate Degree Nursing  
Generic Evening/Weekend Track  
(Grenada Campus Only)**

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<i>First Year</i>			
<u>First Semester (Spring)</u>		<u>Second Semester (Fall)</u>	
Nursing I	NUR 1119	Nursing II	NUR 1229
English Composition I	ENG 1113	Human Growth & Development	EPY/PSY 2533
General Psychology I	PSY 1513		
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<i>Second Year</i>			
<u>First Semester (Spring)</u>		<u>Second Semester (Fall)</u>	
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Graduation with an Associate of Applied Science Degree from the AD Nursing program qualifies the graduate to apply to the Mississippi (or other state) Board of Nursing to write the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). That board of nursing will process the application. Applicants are subjected to the **State of Mississippi** (or other state) **Law and Rules and Regulations: Regulating the Practice of Nursing in Mississippi**. The ADN Program also provides for **Advanced Placement of LPN's** in this program.





## **ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING MISSION STATEMENT**

The purpose of the Holmes Community College Associate Degree Nursing Program is two-fold:

1. To prepare registered nurse generalists who have attained competency. Competency is identified as a performance standard, which includes knowledge, abilities, and understanding that goes beyond specific tasks and is guided by commitment to ethical and scientific principles of nursing practice.
2. To provide equal access to higher education for traditional and nontraditional students while promoting excellence in all areas of nursing.

## **ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING ADMISSION POLICY**

The Associate Degree Nursing Program is a two-year program designed to provide educational opportunities to qualified students for a career in nursing. The program responds to the expanding health care needs of the community. The curriculum includes a balance of general education, nursing theory, and laboratory/clinical experience. Graduates receive an Associate of Applied Science degree (AAS). Graduates that meet the requirements of the State Board of Nursing are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses. The Associate Degree Nursing Program is accredited by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of Mississippi ([www.ihl.state.ms.us](http://www.ihl.state.ms.us)) and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN). The Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. can be contacted at 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326 ([www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org)), Phone: 404-975-5000, Fax: 404-975-5020 for specific program information.

Students who are accepted, but who have not had the following courses BIO 2514 – Anatomy and Physiology I, BIO 2524 – Anatomy & Physiology II, BIO 2924 – Microbiology, FCS 1253/BIO 1613 – Nutrition, must take and successfully pass these courses with at least a grade of ‘C’ before beginning nursing classes.

Nursing students must meet the same general admission requirements as those required for all applicants to Holmes Community College. In addition they must meet the requirement outlined below:

In accordance with the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning’s Associate Degree Nursing admission criteria, a student must have an ACT composite score of 15 if taken before October, 1989, or 18 if taken in October, 1989, or after. In order to apply to the Associate Degree Nursing program, the student must have a 2.0 overall grade point average.

The applicant must have an 18 or higher composite on the ACT with an 18 Reading subscore; a 17 Math subscore or have passed a 3-hour College Algebra or higher math course. For ACT scores before 10/28/89, please see the ACT Concordance Table under Academic Policies and Regulations in the HCC Bulletin. The number of students admitted is based on the number of nursing faculty. Standards for Accreditation of Schools of Nursing for the State of Mississippi require that total enrollment be limited to a maximum of fifteen students for each full-time or equivalent qualified nursing faculty member and that the student-faculty ratio in the clinical area be no more than ten to one. The selection of those to be admitted is done using the Weighted Scale ADN Admission Policy.

All applicants are ranked and are offered positions according to their score.

## **Weighted Scale ADN Admission Policy**

Enrollment in the ADN Program is limited; therefore, the selection of applicants is done on a point system. Selection is academically competitive based on the following categories: ACT, plus college hours and college GPA from a regionally accredited school.

If two people have the same score, preference will be given according to their rating on the ACT or, these being equal, their GPA.

Notification of acceptance in the nursing program must come from the Director of the program - not the Admissions Office.

An applicant must be in generally good health. Upon acceptance, satisfactory reports from a family physician will be required, as well as currently recommended immunizations, a drug screen, and TB skin test. Applicants must also be CPR certified, and pass a criminal background check.

A letter of acceptance to the nursing program will be sent to each applicant selected for each class. It is required that an applicant confirm his/ her intention to attend nursing classes for the year designated. Failure to notify the Associate Degree Nursing Department Director within a designated period of time indicates that the applicant no longer wishes to enter the program.

In addition to regular college fees, an associate degree nursing student will incur expenses for such items as uniforms, textbooks, supplies, insurance, and the expense of travel to some clinical sites.

Those applicants with the highest scores will be accepted.

## **Progression Statement**

The very nature of the profession of nursing requires that one be able to master the theoretical as well as the clinical components of the curriculum. In view of the fact that individuals providing nursing care may adversely affect the maintenance and quality of human life, the nursing faculty has established a progression policy. The progression policy is in each nursing syllabus and the nursing student handbook. A summary of the progression policy is as follows:

Students must successfully complete all required components as designated in each nursing course. The student may refer to each syllabus for details. Attendance at clinical is mandatory for progression.

Students must make a "B" or better in all required nursing courses and a "C" or better in all required science courses and nutrition. Nursing students must maintain an overall 2.0 GPA or above on all non-science, non-nursing courses to remain in the prescribed curriculum. A student making a "C" or below in one nursing course is automatically excluded from the Associate Degree Nursing Program and must apply for re-admission to the Holmes Community College Associate Degree Nursing Program if he/ she wishes to return.

**Application** -The application process is on-line through the Holmes Community College web site. Applications for the generic track for the fall and summer semesters are available on January 15. Applications for the spring semester track are available September 1. Applications are available for a limited time, usually thirty to forty-five days.

**Prior Enrollment in Nursing Courses/ Readmission Limitations**-Any student who has been previously enrolled in any nursing program must contact the Office of the Director of the Holmes Community College Associate Degree Nursing Program. Any student who has been withdrawn from, voluntarily withdrew from, or was unsuccessful in any nursing or practical nursing course has one opportunity for readmission. Any student with two (2) withdrawals or failures from any nursing or practical nursing course is not eligible for readmission.

**LPN Readmissions**-If an LPN in Option I or Option II is not successful in a nursing course, then he/she must apply for readmission to the program as a generic student.

**Completion of the Program**-Any student who failed a nursing course or who withdrew from a nursing course or was withdrawn from the nursing program may apply for readmission. The student must complete the course of study within 1 ½ times the length of the program as set forth through regulations by the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning.

#### **Associate Degree Nursing Grading Scale**

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	Below 59