



**BRAZOSPORT COLLEGE ADN PROGRAM  
APPLICANT CHECK LIST**

<input type="checkbox"/> Read Application Packet thoroughly
<input type="checkbox"/> Application - Complete application by program deadline.
<input type="checkbox"/> Completed all college admission requirements - see catalog at <a href="http://catalog.brazosport.edu">http://catalog.brazosport.edu</a>
<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the FAFSA online at <a href="http://www.FAFSA.gov">www.FAFSA.gov</a> and complete all forms in accordance with Brazosport College Financial Aid in order to be considered for Federal and State grants and Federal Student Loans.  Complete the Brazosport College Scholarship Application at <a href="http://www.brazosport.edu/scholarships">www.brazosport.edu/scholarships</a> Students may be eligible for scholarships, even if they don't qualify for need-based aid. Review and seek tuition assistance from Workforce Solutions. Extensive planning and full-time commitment to nursing school is essential for success.
<input type="checkbox"/> Register for the ADN HESI at <a href="http://www.brazosport.edu/HESI">www.brazosport.edu/HESI</a> . HESI review books are available in library or buy @ BC Bookstore or other retailers. <b>ONLY HESI ENTRANCE EXAMS TAKEN WITH SAME SECTIONS AS BRAZOSPORT COLLEGE WILL BE ACCEPTED.</b> HESI scores must be within the year of applying and only the first score will count.
<input type="checkbox"/> All prior and current transcripts must be submitted to the college registrar. Applicants are entirely responsible of ensuring their transcripts are received by the registrar by the application deadline.
<input type="checkbox"/> Begin required vaccinations, especially Hepatitis B. TDH locally administers Hepatitis B and other vaccinations. Contact the local DTH office for details. Angleton: 979-388-1484; Clute: 979-265-4446 <b>DO NOT SUBMIT ANY DOCUMENTATION TO THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS OFFICE.</b> You will receive instructions for <u>submitting proof of vaccinations upon program acceptance</u> .
<input type="checkbox"/> Keep your contact information current and continue to monitor your BC email for important admission communications.

**Application Timeline**

December 1 – January 31	Application opens on <a href="http://www.brazosport.edu/adn">www.brazosport.edu/adn</a>
November – January	HESI exam available (see <a href="http://www.brazosport.edu/hesi">www.brazosport.edu/hesi</a> )
February	All applicants are notified through BC email of decisions
February – March	Orientation (Date TBD)

### ADMISSION INFORMATION

1. Accepted students must purchase and complete a urine drug screen through Castle Branch. Students must demonstrate ability to perform and meet essential physical functions and critical core attributes, as described in “Critical Core Attributes” (included in this packet).
2. A negative drug screen is required during final admission period. Students may be randomly selected for drug screening throughout the program. Students refusing drug screening are withdrawn from clinical or classroom and will be dismissed from program.
3. **Clinical Requirements** must be current, and include:
  - a. Tdap (within 10 years), must include pertussis component
  - b. MMR – titer (meaning blood test)
  - c. Hepatitis B – titer (meaning blood test)
  - d. Varicella – titer (meaning blood test)
  - e. Annual influenza
  - f. Meningococcal (Required for students under 23 years of age)
  - g. Annual Tuberculin Skin Test (PPD). Negative PPD, a chest x-ray, or a Negative QuantiFERON-TB Gold is required.
  - h. COVID-19 vaccine and (1) Booster
  - i. 10-panel Urine Drug Screen

**\*NOTE:** Additional immunizations or laboratory proof of immunity may be required while in the program.

4. BLS CPR (American Heart Association **Only** Class “C”) must be current and maintained every two years. Classes are routinely offered by a variety of providers, including Lake Jackson EMS, Brazosport College CE (230-3600), and other vendors. Access the American Heart Association web site for additional information.
5. Applicants invited for admission must complete fingerprinting with the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) for a final FBI criminal background check. The Texas BON will mail an official approval blue card or eligibility letter to applicants when the background check is complete. Applicants **must** bring the **original** blue card or eligibility letter to the Nursing Programs Coordinator by the designated due date communicated in orientation. Applicants failing to satisfy the background check policy are not eligible to be admitted or remain in any nursing program in the state of Texas per BON policy.
6. Applicants with prior nursing program admission, classes, or other nursing program activity (outside of Brazosport College), **must** have a letter from the Dean/Director/Coordinator of the prior program mailed directly to Brazosport College Nursing Programs Coordinator, 500 College Drive HS-100 Lake Jackson, TX 77566. The Dean/Director/Coordinator of the prior program should provide information related to eligibility for re-admission. The letter must be received in the health professions office by program application deadline. Applicants’ ineligible to re-enter the prior nursing program are NOT eligible for admission in ANY Brazosport College nursing.

### PROGRAM PROGRESSION

Students are accountable for adhering to all college and program policies and procedures.

1. Students must abide by current program admission and curriculum requirements while enrolled in BC nursing programs.
2. Once a student has enrolled in the nursing program, **nursing** courses must be completed in sequence.
3. **Students MUST have a passing** final course average of 78% or above to proceed in the program. Any overall course averages less than 78% will earn a grade of ‘F’.
4. **Final course average less than 78% = course failure.**
5. Grades are not rounded in the nursing program. A 77.9% is **not** rounded to 78%.
6. Students enrolled in the Brazosport College nursing programs who do not successfully complete the program are not eligible for automatic readmission in subsequent years and must be considered along with all other candidates and, if accepted, begin at the start of the program.

## **\*ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS**

The following questions will be asked by the Texas Board of Nursing in order to determine eligibility for admission into any nursing program and at program completion when taking the NCLEX-PN or NCLEX-RN Examinations. If you can answer YES to any of the following questions, you will be required to complete the Declaratory Order process through the Texas Board of Nursing. This information is provided to make applicants aware of real or potential eligibility issues affecting licensure before completing the nursing program. For further information or questions, you may contact the Texas Board of Nursing at (512) 305-7400 or visit the website at: <http://www.bon.texas.gov>

The Texas Board of Nursing provides extensive public information about eligibility and appeal of eligibility for licensure. The board has a published appeal process that may require as long as 18 months to complete. A prior condition, problem, legal issue, health issue, or other specific incident or occurrence may NOT affect eligibility. Failure to proactively enter the declaratory board order process will delay or prohibit eligibility status. The Declaratory Order Form is available on the TBON website. All applicants undergo an FBI criminal background check, including fingerprints.

- 1) For any criminal offense, including those pending appeal, have you:
- A. Been convicted of a misdemeanor?
  - B. Been convicted of a felony?
  - C. Pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
  - D. Received deferred adjudication?
  - E. Been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
  - F. Been sentenced to serve jail or prison time or court-ordered confinement?
  - G. Been granted pre-trial diversion?
  - H. Been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
  - I. Been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
  - J. Been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment, punishment, or action?  
(You may only exclude Class C misdemeanor traffic violations.)

**NOTE: Expunged and Sealed Offenses:** While expunged or sealed offenses, arrests, tickets, or citations need not be disclosed it is your responsibility to ensure the offense, arrest, ticket or citation has, in fact, been expunged or sealed. It is recommended you submit a copy of the Court Order expunging or sealing the record in question to our office with your application. Failure to reveal an offense, arrest, ticket or citation that is not in fact expunged or sealed, will at a minimum, subject your license to a disciplinary fine. Non-disclosure of relevant offenses raises questions related to truthfulness and character of the Nurse.

**NOTE: Orders of Non-Disclosure:** Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code 552.142(b), if you have criminal matters that are the subject of an order of non-disclosure you are not required to reveal those criminal matters on this form. However, a criminal matter that is subject of an order of non-disclosure may become a character and fitness issue. Pursuant to other sections of Gov't Code chapter 411, the Texas Board of Nursing entitled to access criminal history record information that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure. If the Board discovers a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure, even if you properly did not reveal that matter, the Board may require you to provide information about that criminal matter.

- 2) Are you currently the target or subject of a grand jury or governmental agency investigation?
- 3) Has any licensing authority refused to issue you a license or ever revoked, annulled, cancelled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew a professional license, certificate or multi-state privilege held by you now or previously, or ever fined, censured, reprimanded, or otherwise disciplined you?
- \*4) Within the past five (5) years have you been addicted or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?
- \*5) In the past five (5) years have you been diagnosed with, treated, or hospitalized for schizophrenia and/or a psychotic disorder, bipolar disorder, paranoid personality disorder, antisocial personality disorder, or borderline personality disorder which impaired or does impair your behavior, judgement, or ability to function in school or work? (You may answer "No" if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN for mental illness OR you've previously disclosed to the Texas Board of Nursing and have remained compliant with your treatment regime and have no further hospitalization since disclosure.)

\*Pursuant to the Occupations Code 301.207, information, including diagnosis and treatment, regarding an individual's physical or mental condition, immoderate use of drugs or alcohol, or chemical dependency and information regarding an individual's criminal history is confidential to the same extent that information collected as part of an investigation is confidential under the Occupations Code 301.466. If you are licensed as an LVN in the state of Texas and are currently participating in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses, you may answer "NO" to questions #4 and #5.

**\*Students are required to sign a statement indicating acknowledgement of these questions.**

## **\*\*CRITICAL CORE ATTRIBUTES**

The delivery of safe and effective nursing care is the most important aspect of patient care. The following nursing student attributes are required to protect patients from harm. Therefore, all students must, with or without reasonable accommodation, demonstrate the following skills throughout progressive classroom and clinical experiences.

<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Critical Thinking Cognitive Ability	Critical thinking sufficient to make safe clinical decisions	Ability to simultaneously perform multiple tasks while problem solving Identify cause and effect relationships in clinical practice Utilize the nursing process as a tool to develop individualized care Demonstrates a quick response to a critical and stressful event demonstrating competency in technical skill, verbal responses, and documentation
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Interpersonal skills	Ability to interact with others from various social, cultural, or intellectual backgrounds	Establish and maintain trust with patients, families, peers, faculty, clinical facility staff, and others. Demonstrate emotional control in stressful situations (i.e. manifest calm and therapeutic reactions when the intensity of the situation escalates)
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Communication skills	Communicate across all ages and cultures, in a manner that is understandable, both verbally and in written format. If English is a second language, applicants must demonstrate English proficiency on assessments defined by the BON.	Provide concise, comprehensive communication to patients, family members, and other appropriate health care professionals regarding treatments, procedures, medications, and other information. Initiate patient health teaching (i.e., provides written and oral instructions, answers all questions concerning information provided) Uses professional language in the classroom and clinical setting (i.e., does not revert to use of slang or verbal responses commonly used in social situations outside of school)
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Physical mobility	Ability to ambulate from place to place in a timely manner and work in confined spaces	Work within the confines of limited space (i.e., patient rooms, space between patient bed and room equipment of furniture, space between multiple patient stretchers, small bathrooms, other areas) Safely transport patients on a stretcher or in wheelchair Safely transfer patients on a stretcher or in wheelchair. Safely transfer patient (potentially without assistance) from device to bed or exam table Respond quickly and efficiently in emergency situations Perform CPR when necessary (i.e., gain access to patient such as climbing on bed, upper body strength to sustain cardio and pulmonary resuscitation measures for several minutes) Perform safe patient care according to standards of care (i.e., bed bath, dressing changes) Physical ability to move quickly and endure a sustained period of activity without showing signs of personal stress (i.e., excessive perspiration that contaminate a sterile field)
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Motor skills	Sufficient to provide safe and effective care	Physical motor skills are sufficient to lift, carry, push and pull weights from 25 to 100 lbs. with full range of motion Ability to bend and stoop in confined spaces to reach objects possible in a space of 1 inch from the floor and can reach overhead to retrieve or place items on shelves Endure 8-12 hours shift with a minimum of 6-8 hours of standing or walking Perform psychomotor procedures in which accuracy is essential, and demonstrate the ability to adapt skills to the particular clinical situation
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Hearing ability	Sufficient to make the necessary observations and assessments for safe and effective patient care (assistive devices may be utilized as needed)	Ability to monitor alarms (i.e., patient call bell, fire alarms, emergency equipment such as a heart or respiratory monitor) and ascertain auscultatory sounds (i.e., heart, lung, bowel sounds) Communicate with the patient and family Communicate with health care providers in situations where face-to-face communication is not possible (i.e. emergencies, telephone conversations, verbal orders, etc.)
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Visual ability	Sufficient to make the necessary observations and assessments, and nursing skills for safe and effective patient care (assistive devices may be utilized as needed)	Ability to assess/observe patient responses and distinguish subtle changes in patient status (i.e., grimacing, state of alertness to drowsiness or semi-alert, facial expressions) Identify and distinguish colors and shades of the same color (i.e., skin color (ranges of blues)) Read protocols and procedures specific to facility and unit Read required dosages and instructions for mixing medications from a vial or ampule (extremely small print) Coordinate hand eye movements rapidly and precisely (i.e., draw up specific amount of medication in syringes, insert Foley catheter, perform dressing changes, maintain sterile technique, etc.)
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>OBSERVABLE BEHAVIORS</b>
Tactile ability	Sufficient to perform physical assessment and perform skills necessary for safe and effective patient care	Finger dexterity sufficient to perform palpation, percussion, and any other components of an exam requiring touch sensitivity (i.e., palpate pulses, detect skin and solution temperatures, environmental hazards such as heat and cold extremes) Ability to grasp and manipulate small objects such as medicine vials, tubes, syringes (i.e., catheter or IV insertion)

**\*\*Students are required to sign a statement indicating ability to meet and perform critical core attributes.**

## BRAZOSPORT COLLEGE ADN PROGRAM CURRICULUM

<b>Prerequisite Courses:</b>				
There will no longer be a 5-year expiration on prerequisite sciences.				
All prerequisites must be a grade of C or better and completed prior to applying to the nursing program.				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
BIOL 2301, 2101	Anatomy & Physiology I	48	0	4
BIOL 2302, 2201	Anatomy & Physiology II	48	0	4
BIOL 2320, 2120	*Microbiology	48	0	4
HITT 1305	Medical Terminology	48	0	3
ENGL 1301	English I	48	0	3
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<b>Year One - Summer Semester</b>				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
RNSG 1215	Health Assessment (SSII – 6 wk)	48	0	2
RNSG 1108	Dosage Calculation (SSII – 6 wk)	48	0	1
				3
<b>Year One - Fall Semester</b>				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
RNSG 1205	Nursing Skills I	80	0	2
RNSG 1341	Common Concepts of Adult Health	96	0	3
RNSG 1301	Pharmacology	96	0	3
RNSG 1260	Clinical Nursing I	0	144	3
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<b>Year One - Spring Semester</b>				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
RNSG 1244	Nursing Skills II	80	0	2
RNSG 1343	Complex Concepts of Adult Health	96	0	3
RNSG 1360	Clinical Nursing II	0	240	3
				8
<b>Year Two – Summer Semester</b>				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing (SSI – 6 wk)	64	0	2
PYSC 2314	Lifespan Growth & Development	48	0	3
				5
<b>Year Two – Fall Semester</b>				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
RNSG 2208	Maternal/Newborn Nursing & Women’s Health (8 wk)	48	0	2
RNSG 2201	Care of Children & Families (8 wk)	48	0	2
RNSG 2360	Clinical Nursing III	0	240	3
ELECTIVE	Elective (see catalog for options: <a href="https://catalog.brazosport.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=23&amp;poiid=2997">https://catalog.brazosport.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=23&amp;poiid=2997</a> )	48	0	3
				10
<b>Year Two – Spring Semester</b>				
Rubric	Course Name	Lecture	Clinical	Credits
RNSG 2221	Professional Nursing: Leadership & Management	48	0	2
RNSG 2460	Clinical Nursing IV	0	240	4
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\*Prerequisites for Microbiology are: General Biology and Anatomy & Physiology

**ADN PROGRAM - ESTIMATED PROGRAM COSTS BY SEMESTER**

SEMESTER	1 <sup>ST</sup> YEAR			2 <sup>ND</sup> YEAR		
	SUMMER (3 credits)	FALL (11 credits)	SPRING (8 credits)	SUMMER (2 credits)	FALL (7 credits)	SPRING (9 credits)
Tuition (in-district)	271.50	995.50	724.00	181.00	633.50	814.50
Tuition (out of district)	373.50	1369.50	996.00	249.00	871.50	1120.50
Nursing course fees	120.00	440.00	240.00	80.00	320.00	160.00
Books	302.00	477.00	300.00	82.00		
Resource fees (ExamSoft, NurseThink, U-World)	1569.00				269.00	120.00
Liability Insurance		20.00			20.00	
Uniforms & patches	300.00					
Equipment	200.00					
Basic Life Support certification		50.00				
Student Nurse Assoc fees (optional)		35.00				
Board of Nursing & NCLEX testing fees						300.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$2762.50 – \$2864.50</b>	<b>\$1900.50 – \$2274.50</b>	<b>\$1264 – \$1536</b>	<b>\$561 – \$629</b>	<b>\$1242.50 – \$1480.50</b>	<b>\$1394.50 – \$1700.50</b>

\*Costs are estimates and are subject to change.  
Tuition costs and credit totals DO NOT include non-nursing courses.