

LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Clinical schedules include days, evenings and occasional weekends. Students must provide their own transportation to clinical facilities. Clinical agencies include but are not limited to, Finger Lakes Center for Living, St. Anthony on the Commons, Seneca Hill Manor, Auburn Community Hospital, Upstate University Hospital Downtown, Upstate University Hospital Community Campus, Lifetime Care, Veterans Medical Center, Oswego Hospital, Hutchings Psychiatric Center, Oswego County Health Department, and Cayuga County Health Department.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS AND ABILITIES

These are abilities and behaviors that a nursing student must be able to perform in order to function in a safe manner. It is essential that students of nursing meet the functional requirements outlined on www.cayuga-cc.edu/academics/schools/health-sciences/nursing/ with or without reasonable accommodations.

ACCESSIBILITY RESOURCES

Nursing students must be able to meet all established academic and clinical requirements to successfully complete the program. In accordance with law and College policy, no qualified individual with a disability shall, on the basis of that disability, be excluded from the program. Cayuga Community College will provide reasonable accommodations to a qualified individual with a disability. The Office of Accessibility Resources is responsible for determining if reasonable accommodations can be identified and for ensuring that such accommodations are provided for students. It is the responsibility of the applicant or student to request the accommodations needed to meet the program's Essential Functions and Abilities (see above). To be eligible for a reasonable accommodation, applicants must provide clear documentation of disability. Arranging for accommodations is a confidential process.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

After being accepted into the Nursing program, the student must show evidence of the following by July 1:

- Annual physical exam. The health record must show no physical condition which would limit safe performance of Essential Functions and Abilities (see www.cayuga-cc.edu/admissions/process/nursing-admissions/)
- Completed Mantoux test and immunization records
- Compliance with New York State health requirements

CPR REQUIREMENT

The student must hold CPR certification throughout the program. American Heart Association certification (BLS for Adults, Infant and Child) and Red Cross certification (Professional Rescuer Course) are valid for two years. Online certification or re-certification is accepted if a competency demonstration is performed. Note: "Heart Saver" and "Community CPR" do not meet the CPR requirement. Evidence of CPR certification must be submitted to the Nursing Education office by August 1.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK

Criminal background checks are required at the student's expense by August 1, prior to the first semester.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

The candidate for the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing must meet the following requirements:

- Completion of 64 credits
- Cumulative average of no less than 2.0 and a minimum grade of "C+" in each Nursing and Biology course

TRANSFERRING INTO BACHELOR'S DEGREE NURSING PROGRAMS

Cayuga Community College has articulation agreements with a number of baccalaureate nursing programs, to include:

Excelsior College
Grand Canyon University
Keuka College
Le Moyne College
St. John Fisher College
SUNY Empire State College
SUNY Plattsburgh
SUNY Polytech
SUNY Upstate Medical University



Contact us for more information

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

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AUBURN CAMPUS

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FULTON CAMPUS

11 River Glen Drive, Fulton NY 13069

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THE PROGRAM

The Nursing Program at Cayuga Community College prepares the student for entry into the profession of nursing. Upon graduation, students receive the Associate in Applied Science in nursing and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The overall NCLEX-RN passing rate for Cayuga students is consistently exceptional, and exceeds state and national averages.

The curriculum offers a balance of courses in general education and nursing. Students are provided with the theoretical knowledge and clinical practice needed to provide nursing care for individuals throughout the life span. Learning experiences are provided in the classroom, nursing laboratory, and a variety of clinical settings.

Nursing education is available at both the Auburn and Fulton campuses. Both programs admit students every fall.

PROGRAM ACCREDITATION

Cayuga's Nursing program is fully accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30326, <https://www.acenursing.org/>.

CAREER POSSIBILITIES

Addiction Nurses
Cardiovascular Nurses
Critical Care Nurses
Genetics Nurses
Neonatal Nurses
Nephrology Nurses
Public Health Nurses
Clinical Nurse Specialists
Nurse Educators
Healthcare Consultants
Hospital Administrators

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Hospitals
- Physicians' Offices
- Home Healthcare Services
- Nursing Care Facilities
- Outpatient Clinics
- Schools

Registered Nurse

2020 Median Salary

\$75,330/yr

United States Department of Labor

<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/registered-nurses.htm>

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the Nursing program is a selective and competitive process.

The following prerequisites must be completed before applying to the Nursing program:

- High school or general equivalency diploma (GED/TASC)
- Official college transcripts (if applicable)
- Algebra proficiency:
 - Testing or placing into Cayuga's MATH 102 (Intermediate Algebra) or higher; or
 - Completion of Cayuga's MATH 099 (Elementary Algebra) or higher with a minimum grade of C (70%); or
 - Completion of precalculus or higher in high school with a minimum grade of C (70%)
- Satisfactory completion C (70%) of high school or college biology
- Satisfactory completion C (70%) of high school chemistry with lab (Regents or General) or college Chemistry 101 (CHEM 103 or equivalent)
- Minimum cumulative GPA or overall high school average of 75% or 2.5
- Preadmission Nursing Entrance Exam (for information and dates of tests, visit www.cayuga-cc.edu/admissions/process/nursing-admissions and see the section under the subhead "Admission to the Program: Steps and Deadlines.") A cumulative test score of proficient is required. Applicants with a bachelor's degree or higher may be exempt from taking the entrance exam
- English language proficiency as demonstrated by compliance with minimum required TOEFL score, required if English is not a first language
- May be required to consent to drug testing upon request by the College or affiliating clinical agency
- Background check required for clinical

ADMISSION PROCESS

January 15 is the postmarked deadline to apply for fall admission.

For information on dates and times, visit www.cayuga-cc.edu/admissions/process/nursing-admissions.

Applicants must complete both the College admission application and the online nursing admission application. Admission to the Nursing program is a selective and competitive process:

- Attendance at a Nursing Information Session is strongly recommended
- The preadmission Nursing Entrance Exam must be completed by the application postmark deadline
- Two reference forms must also be submitted
- All transcripts must be sent to the Admissions Office
- Online nursing application is available October 1 through January 15. Only complete applications will be reviewed
- Applicants will be notified of acceptance decision in March for fall admission
- Applicants not accepted must reapply to be considered for admission the following year

TRANSFER INTO THE PROGRAM

Students requesting transfer from another nursing program must:

- Satisfy the admission criteria stated in the admission requirement
- Submit a Nursing Transfer Request form at www.cayuga-cc.edu/admissions/process/nursing-admissions to the director of nursing
The only nursing course that may be accepted for transfer is NURS 101 pending review of course syllabus. A minimum grade of C+ (77) is required for NURS 101 credit transfer. Nursing course must be completed within 1 year of transfer request
- Apply for admission through the Admissions Office by October 31. www.cayuga-cc.edu/admissions/process/nursing-admissions
- Complete the Nursing Department Skill Competency Evaluation with a grade of satisfactory
- Complete nursing clinical review course with a passing grade

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- A minimum passing grade of 77 (C+) must be achieved in each nursing course. A grade less than C+ is considered an unsuccessful attempt
- A "Satisfactory" clinical grade must be achieved in each clinical nursing course
- A minimum passing grade of C+ is required in BIOL 203, 204, and 216 courses
- A student is limited to one W or unsuccessful attempt in any clinical nursing course (NURS 101, 102, 214, 215, 216, 217). A second W or unsuccessful attempt in any clinical nursing course will result in dismissal from the program
- All required nursing courses (with the exception of NURS 101) must be taken at Cayuga Community College
- The following grading system is used by the nursing faculty:

A	93–100	C	73–76
A-	90–92	C-	70–72
B+	87–89	D+	67–69
B	83–86	D	63–66
B-	80–82	D-	60–62
C+	77–79	F	less than 60

- A student receiving a W or a grade less than C+ in NURS 101 or 102 must reapply for admission to the Nursing program through the Admissions Office in accordance with specified application deadlines
- A student receiving a W or a grade less than C+ in NURS 102, 214, 215, 216, or 217 must apply for re-entry to the program through Mary Driscoll, director of nursing at dricollm@cayuga-cc.edu. The student must schedule a meeting with the director of nursing three months prior to the course start date. Academic counseling will be initiated to develop a success plan. Re-entry is granted on a space-available basis and upon compliance with the re-entry procedure
- A student seeking re-entry to the nursing program must meet program policies in effect at the date of re-entry
- Nursing courses must be completed within three years of starting NURS 101

LEGAL LIMITATIONS FOR RN LICENSURE

There is a requirement that the applicant for the licensure exam be of "good moral character." Applicants should be aware that eligibility for licensure as a registered nurse in New York State by persons who have been convicted of a crime (felony or misdemeanor) or have charges pending in any state or country will be determined through an investigation by the New York State Education Office of Professional Discipline. Refer to www.op.nysed.gov/nursing for specific criteria.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The following curriculum represents the Nursing course sequence and minimum requirements for the A.A.S. degree in Nursing (total of 64 credit hours).

COURSES		CREDIT HOURS
First Semester		
ENGL 101	Freshman English I	3
NURS 101	Fundamentals of Patient Care	8
BIOL 203	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
		15
Second Semester		
NURS 102	Nursing in Physical/Mental Health I	8
NURS 210	Health Assessment	1
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
BIOL 204	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
		16
Third Semester		
NURS 214	Family/Community Nursing I	4
NURS 215	Nursing in Physical/Mental Health II	4
BIOL 216	General Microbiology	4
PSY 101	Introductory Psychology	3
		15
Fourth Semester		
ENGL 222	Effective Speech: Group Discussion	3
NURS 216	Family/Community Nursing II	4
NURS 217	Nursing in Physical/Mental Health III	4
NURS 203	Trends in Nursing	1
NURS 207	Pharmacology	3
PSY 212	Developmental Psychology	3
		18
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		64

