

**TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
LVN to BSN Degree Option**

EXPLANATION OF POINT SYSTEM & APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS

A point system is used to select students for admission to the Nursing Program at Tarleton State University (TSU). Students who submit all application materials and *TEAS® scores by the deadline and meet admission requirements will be ranked on a list in descending order according to their total number of points. Slots will be filled from the point list until classes are full. The point list will be eliminated immediately after the last date to register for university credit. Students not admitted must submit a new application to be considered for the next admission cycle.

Nursing Program Admission Process – Application to the nursing program is separate from and in addition to the application to Tarleton. To be considered for the program admission the individual **MUST** meet admission requirements and submit application materials and *TEAS® scores to the Department of Nursing **and** application materials to the Tarleton State University Office of Admissions on or before the **deadline of March 1st** for the fall semester and **September 1st** for the spring semester.

Department of Nursing application materials are available in the Nursing Office. **The nursing program application must be submitted between December 1 to March 1 for Fall & June 1 to September 1 for Spring. Applications submitted outside of this timeframe will not be considered.**

Students may take the TEAS® at any time during the process of completing the prerequisites – before, during or after. However, it may be beneficial to wait until completion of five to eight program prerequisite courses before taking the TEAS®.

Admission Requirements

1. GPA of ≥ 2.75 on specific completed English and Science program prerequisite courses (BIOL 219, 220, and 307, CHEM 103 or 105, and ENGL 111 and 112).
2. *Composite score \geq national baccalaureate program average on the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) or have ≥ 1110 on the SAT or ≥ 24 on the ACT.

Only TEAS® scores submitted from an authorized testing center will be accepted (directly from TSU testing center or with testing center seal/signature if taken at a college/university other than TSU).

3. Achieve a minimum of 110 selection points before the residency points are added.
4. Ability to complete all program prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of C prior to the program enrollment.
5. LVN Licensure in Texas
6. Eligibility for RN licensure upon graduation. Must receive criminal background clearance by the Texas Board of Nursing and answer no to eligibility questions or receive a Declaratory Order before acceptance (see part IV of the Department of Nursing application for more details).

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REVISED LVN TO BSN PROGRAM – EFFECTIVE FALL 2010

Typical offering of courses: (1) All nursing courses in fall and spring semesters; (2) BIOL 219 in fall and summer I; (2) BIOL 220 in spring and summer II; (3) BIOL 307 in fall, spring and summer I; and (4) CHEM 103 in fall, spring and summer I. Must complete BIOL 219, 220 and CHEM 103 or 105 prior to BIOL 307.

General Academic Courses – 57-60 SCHs

	Credit Hours		Credit Hours
Natural Sciences		Communication	
*BIOL 219 & 220 Human Anatomy and Physiology	8	*ENGL 111 & 112 Rhetoric and Composition	6
*+BIOL 307 Microbiology	4	ENGL (Sophomore Literature)	3
*CHEM 103 or 105 Chemistry	4	*COMS 101, 102, or 307 Speech	3
Other		Social and Behavioral Sciences	
*+ MATH 131 Intro to Probability and Statistics	3	*HIST 201 & 202 American History I and II	6
*H S 210 Nutrition	3	*POLS 201 U. S. Government	3
Visual & Performing Arts (Theory course in Music, Theater, Art – see catalog for course options)	3	POLS 202 Texas State & Local Government	3
HLTH 101 Wellness (See catalog for options that satisfy this requirement)	2	*PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3
		*PSY 307 The Human Lifespan	3
		Approved Upper level elective	3

Nursing Courses – 60-63 SCHs

	Credit Hours		Credit Hours
Junior I - Program Admission Required		Junior II	
NUR 301 Family Health Nursing	3	NUR 302 Maternal-Newborn Nursing	4
NUR 305 Professional Role Transitions (en bloc credit = 12 SCHs)	2	NUR 303 Behavioral Health Nursing	3
NUR 322 Health Assessment	3	NUR 325 Scholarly Inquiry in Nursing	1
NUR 316 Care of Adults for Licensed Nursing	<u>5</u>	NUR 330 Nursing Care Older Adult Family	<u>4</u>
Semester Credit Hours	13	Semester Credit Hours	12
Senior I		Senior II	
NUR 408 Nursing Care Infants & Children	4	Approved Upper Level Elective	3
NUR 410 Nursing Management & Leadership	4	NUR 411 Nursing Research: Connecting	2
NUR 412 Nurs Care Adults w/ Complex Needs	<u>5</u>	NUR 425 Population Health Nursing	3
		**NUR 460 Trans to Profess Nurs Practice	<u>5</u>
Semester Credit Hours	13	Semester Credit Hours	13

All degree requirements must be completed with a grade of “C” or better

* Program Prerequisite courses (must be completed prior to admission)

+ See prerequisite requirements in the catalog.

** All degree requirements must be completed with the exception of NUR 425 and upper level elective.

Total Semester Credit Hours for the Degree = 120

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