

**TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING  
ADMISSION POLICY**

A basic premise of Tarleton State University's unique multiple entry nursing program is an acknowledgement of previous learning in order to provide for career mobility unhampered by unnecessary delays. This is balanced against a concern for maintaining high quality in the educational program and assuring the public of the quality of the education of the graduate. For purposes of program entry, eligible groups are defined as follows.

- a. **Generic Student:** Those students with no previous nursing education.
- b. **LVN:** Those graduates of practical or vocational nursing programs who hold a current license to practice nursing in Texas.
- c. **RN:** Those graduates of diploma or associate degree nursing programs who hold a current license to practice as a registered nurse in Texas.
- d. **Transfer Nursing Students:** Those students who have been officially admitted to a nursing program other than Tarleton and have completed  $\geq 30$  hours of nursing courses.

The following information outlines the admission policy for program entry for the groups of students previously defined.

**I. Generic Students**

NUR 120 serves as the applicant pool for the program. Students may take NUR 120 as early as the first semester of their sophomore year or when the course prerequisite courses are completed. Upon application, meeting admission requirements and successfully completing NUR 120, the student will be officially admitted to the program.

**Admission Requirements**

1. Admission to Tarleton State University
2. Application to the Department of Nursing when enrolled in NUR 120
3. Completion of the following courses with a minimum grade of "C" (41 semester hours):

<b><u>Course</u></b>	<b><u>Credit Hours</u></b>
MATH 107 - College Algebra	3
ENGL 111, 112 - Rhetoric & Composition	6
CHEM 103 or 105 - Chemistry	4
BIOL 219, 220 - Anatomy & Physiology	8
BIOL 307 – Microbiology	4
PSY 101 - General Psychology	3
PSY 307 – Lifespan Development	3
SOC 201 - Introduction to Sociology	3
H S 210 - Nutrition	3
NUR 120 - Survey of Nursing Science	4

4. Cumulative grade point average  $\geq 2.75$  on program prerequisite course required.
5. Eligibility to take state board examination (NCLEX-RN®) upon graduation.

## II. Licensed Nurses and Transfer Students from Other Nursing Programs

The Department of Nursing application form, references, and transcripts constitute the core factors for admission. The Student Affairs, Matriculation and Academic Standards Committee (SAMAS) carefully evaluate all applicants with regard to academic performance and aptitude.

### A. LVNs (LVN to BSN)

1. Admission to Tarleton State University
2. Current license to practice as a vocational nurse in Texas.
3. Completion of the 55 of the 63 semester credit hours listed below with a minimum grade of “C”. May delay taking up to 9 hours of courses marked with an asterisk until after program admission.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
MATH 107 - College Algebra	3
*MATH - Statistics	3
ENGL 111, 112 - Rhetoric & Composition	6
ENGL - Sophomore course in Literature	3
CHEM 103 or 105 - Chemistry	4
BIOL 219, 220 - Anatomy & Physiology	8
BIOL 307 - Microbiology	4
PSY 101 - General Psychology	3
PSY 201 or 307 - Human Growth & Development	3
SOC 201 - Introduction to Sociology	3
*Visual and Performing Art (see catalog)	3
H S 210 - Nutrition	3
*HIST 201, 202- US History	6
*POLS 201 - US Government	3
*POLS 202 - Texas Government	3
*COMS 101, 102, or 301 - Speech	3
HLTH 101 - Wellness	2

4. Cumulative grade point average  $\geq 2.75$  on courses required for the degree.
5. Eligibility to take state board examination (NCLEX-RN) upon graduation.

### B. RNs (RN to BSN)

1. Admission to Tarleton State University
2. Current license to practice as a registered nurse in Texas.
3. Passing score on the Tarleton Writing Proficiency Examination
4. Completion of 58 of the 63 semester credit hours listed below with a minimum grade of “C”. May delay taking up to 6 hours of courses marked with an asterisk until after program admission.
5. Cumulative grade point average of  $\geq 2.75$  on courses required for the degree.
6. Completion of the following courses with a minimum grade of “C”.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
MATH 107 - College Algebra	3
*MATH - Statistics	3
ENGL 111, 112 - Rhetoric & Composition	6
ENGL - Sophomore course in Literature	3
CHEM 103 or 105 - Chemistry	4
BIOL 219, 220 - Anatomy & Physiology	8
BIOL 307 - Microbiology	4
PSY 101 - General Psychology	3
PSY 201 or 307 - Human Growth & Development	3
SOC 201 - Introduction to Sociology	3
*Visual and Performing Art (see catalog)	3
H S 210 - Nutrition	3
*HIST 201, 202 - US History	6
*POLS 201 - US Government	3
*POLS 202 - Texas Government	3
*COMS 101, 102, or 301 - Speech	3
HLTH 101 - Wellness	2

### **C. Transfer Nursing Student**

1. Admission to Tarleton State University
2. Letter from Dean or Director of transferred nursing program specifying program status.
3. Catalog description and course syllabi of nursing course(s) that the student desires to transfer to Tarleton.
4. Cumulative grade point average of  $\geq 2.75$  on program prerequisite course required.
5. Eligibility to take state board examination (NCLEX-RN) upon graduation.
6. The number of courses necessary for admission depends on the point of program entry. At a minimum, the transfer applicant must have completed the following courses with a minimum grade of "C" (41 semester hours):

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
MATH 107 - College Algebra	3
ENGL 111, 112 - Rhetoric & Composition	6
CHEM 103 or 105 - Chemistry	4
BIOL 210, 220 - Anatomy & Physiology	8
BIOL 307 - Microbiology	4
PSY 101 - General Psychology	3
PSY 307 - Lifespan Development	3
SOC 201 - Introduction to Sociology	3
H S 210 - Nutrition	3
NUR 120 - Survey of Nursing Science	4
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