

Admission Requirements

- Completion of college enrollment process at Southside VA Community College
See [Admissions](#)
- Proof of high school completion or equivalent with a transcript showing four-year high school course of study from an approved school, home school, or successful completion of GED. (This is brought to the nursing orientation meeting after acceptance.)
- Competence in math: SVCC Counselors will review HS/GED/college transcripts to determine if Direct Enrollment Survey is needed. Student must be determined to be MTH 154 eligible or take developmental course, MDE 10.
- Competence in college-level English: SVCC Counselors will review HS/GED/college transcripts to determine if Direct Enrollment Survey is needed. Student must be determined to be ENG 111 eligible or take developmental course, EDE 10.
- Attendance at ONE Nursing Information Session, addressing the specific year to which you are applying. Students must sign Session Roster (online sign-in at end of virtual session) to receive credit for meeting this requirement. Virtual Session also requires joining the Pre-Clinical Nursing Page in Canvas - directions given in video. See [Associate's of Applied Science in Nursing home page](#) for details.
- Total Score of 65% correct or higher on ADN Program Percentile Rank on the [ATI-TEAS](#) (7) pre-entrance exam (Adjusted Individual Total Score). Preferred, not required, other section scores are: Math 73.5%, Reading 73%, Science 55%, English 62.5%. Test dates must be within 3 years of application.
- Complete the [general education courses as listed in the nursing curriculum](#) with a C or better. Note: to be competitive in the admission process, strive for higher than C grade! Anatomy and Physiology course must be within 10 years prior to application. Also, as of Fall 2022, BIO 141 (A&P 1) requires co-enrollment (or prior completion) of BIO 101 or NAS 2.
- Students must have a **curricular** GPA (calculated on mandatory prerequisites) of at least 2.5 for required general education courses in the Nursing Curriculum.
- Submission of application to clinical program and location of your choice prior to posted deadline. Applications are available on the [ADN page of our website](#): during application windows only.

Requirements to be met after acceptance into program

- Attend a MANDATORY Nursing Program Orientation Meeting. (This is NOT the same as the pre-application Mandatory Information Session!) The date for this meeting will be included in the acceptance letter. Bring an official high school or GED transcript to the meeting.
- Complete a physical examination, including any lab work and immunizations. Students must be free of any physical or mental condition that may adversely affect their performance in clinical courses or as nurses. Due date for all documentation will be given at the mandatory orientation.
- Students entering the nursing curriculum must be certified in American Heart Association CPR (also called BLS) for the Healthcare Provider. Certification must remain current during entire enrollment in program. This certification may be obtained through classes offered by local hospitals or rescue squads, [SVCC's Workforce Development](#) course offerings or any [American Heart Association](#) CPR/BLS provider course.
- Complete Criminal Background Check and Urine Drug Screen per instructions in acceptance letter. DO NOT OBTAIN THIS PRIOR TO RECEIVING SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS IN THE ACCEPTANCE LETTER! Please be aware that the State Board of Nursing has the authority to deny licensure to any applicant who has violated any of the provisions of 54-367.32 of the Code of Virginia. Any student entering the nursing program who has committed any illegal offenses other than minor traffic violations should discuss these matters with the Program Director prior to admission for clarification. See [Virginia Board of Nursing Guidance Documents](#). Search for Guidance Document 90-55_ for more information.