What is ADN Nursing?

Nursing is one of the most exciting and vital careers in today’s economy. If you are interested in helping people and learning about the incredible science of the human body, a nursing career might be for you! OCTC’s Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADN) prepares its graduates to provide the highest quality care. Graduates earn an Associate in Applied Science degree and are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination required to become a Registered Nurse. Our program is approved by the National League of Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA), the Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN) and our average NCLEX pass rate for the past 6 years has remained above the national average. Our graduates have the skills employers want, experiencing an average job placement rate of 95% upon graduation.

Acceptance into the ADN program is based upon a selective admission process.

- Fall Admission deadline: March 1
- Spring Admission deadline: July 1

Job Outlook

The future for nurses is exceptionally bright. The U.S. Department of Labor expects the need for nurses to continue to grow for years to come. A Registered Nurse in Kentucky can earn an average of $59,370 per year*. Wages can vary significantly by region.

*Source: Kentucky Labor Market Information
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Minimum Requirements

Prior to Admission Deadline
- Fall: March 1
- Spring: July 1
- Apply for admission to OCTC, if you are not currently enrolled in a KCTCS institution.
- View the online Pre-Admission Conference.
- Submit the Data Report form located at the end of the Preadmission conference.
- Earn an ACT Composite score of 20 or above. Official scores must be sent to OCTC or already be on file. Or score proficient (58.7%) or or higher on the Assessment (TEAS V or ATI TEAS).
- Earn a 2.75 or above Nursing GPA. Nursing GPA is determined by grades in ENG 101, MAT 150, Heritage/Humanities, PSY 110, BIO 137, BIO 139, and BIO 225.) *Nursing GPA scores below 2.75 will not be considered for admission.
- Score proficient (58.7%) or or higher on the Assessment (TEAS V or ATI TEAS).
- Send official transcripts to the Office of the Registrar.

Prior to First Day of Nursing Class
- Complete BIO 137, MAT 150 (or higher), and PSY 110
- Obtain “Active Status” on Kentucky Nurse Aide Registry. Go to www.kbn.ky.gov to check status.
- Attend a mandatory orientation day before your nursing classes begin. Date and times vary each semester.
- Obtain American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BSL) Certification.

For more information, please visit our website at owensboro.kctcs.edu/nursing or call the Nursing Department at 270-686-4581 or 270-686-4548.