NURSING (0208)

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

The A.S. degree in Nursing prepares students for careers as registered nurses. The program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta GA 30326, (404) 975-5000, www.acenursing.org, and is approved by the Florida Board of Nursing and may be applied toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing at Florida's state colleges and universities. Graduates are eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT

The Department of Nursing Education supports the mission of St. Johns River State College. The Department of Nursing Education prepares students to enter the workforce with the ability to think critically about actual or potential self-care deficits, as well as demonstrates caring behaviors while practicing within the legal and ethical scope of professional nursing practice. Nursing students are prepared to function competently as entry level nurses upon graduation.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES/ROLE SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES

1. Provide competent nursing care at the entry level to diverse populations
2. Establish ethical relationships in order to act within the context of the Nurse Practice Act
3. Provide nursing care which promotes individuals, families, and communities self-care agency
4. Deliver culturally competent care that reflects sensitivity to racial, ethnic and cultural diversity
5. Employ evidence based research to guide the delivery of nursing care
6. Participate in coordinated care by practicing shared decision-making, delegating aspects of care, and working intercollaboratively with teams
7. Deliver nursing care that is cost-effective and optimizes allocation of health care resources
8. Utilize multiple sources of information, which include computer-based data, to critique and improve clinical decisions

For additional information, visit our website at SJRstate.edu or call the Palatka nursing office at (386) 312-4176 or the Orange Park nursing office at 904-276-6863.

(Note that students who are only taking prerequisites for admission into the program and who are not pursuing other degree programs are not considered regular, admitted students and are therefore not eligible for either federal or state forms of financial aid).

The program consists of 72 credit hours of general education, nursing-related and nursing core courses.

APPLICANTS MAY APPLY: **Orange Park -** August enrollment (fall) May 1 - 31
Orange Park - January enrollment (spring) September 1 -30
Palatka - August enrollment (fall) May 1 - 31

The nursing core courses will be offered on the Palatka and Orange Park campuses for the respective programs with selected clinical experiences in health care facilities within and around the tri-county service area of SJR State. A student must earn a grade of "C" or above in all courses required in the program.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The ASN program is a limited access program.

To apply for admission to the nursing program a student must have completed all of the following:

1. application process to SJR State;
2. application to the nursing program;
3. successful completion of all nine nursing prerequisite courses with a GPA of 3.0 or above by the end of the application period:

*	BSC	2085 & 2085L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab
*	BSC	2086 & 2086L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab
	DEP	2004	Human Growth and Development
	ENC	1101	Composition I
	____	___	Any General Education Humanities
	HUN	1201	Human Nutrition
	MCB	2010 & 2010L	Microbiology* and Microbiology Lab*
	PSY	2012	General Psychology
	MAC	1105	College Algebra

*A&P courses more than 7 years old must be repeated with a grade of "C" or better

OR

• Complete the A2 HESI Assessment Exam by the end of the application period with an English Language composite score of 90% or better with a score of 90% or better in reading comprehension and a score of 90% or better in essential mathematics.

To be considered for admission, the student is to be cleared by Admissions/Records that all external college transcripts are received and that the student has a cleared admission file.

The St, Johns River State College Associate in Science degree in Nursing program does not accept the transfer of NUR core courses.

POST ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:
Following acceptance into the program, ASN students must complete/attend the following requirements. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in administrative withdrawal from the nursing program.

1. All students are asked to sign a consent and waiver to perform a criminal and professional background check and drug screen. Failure to provide consent will render the applicant ineligible for admission to the program. Admission to the program is conditional upon the results of the criminal and professional background check and drug screen. Additional random and scheduled drug screening may be required at any time during the program.
2. Attend nursing student orientation on the specified date.
3. Prior to the first day of class, students must complete the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers (CPR & AED) program - good for 2 years.
4. Have an annual physical examination verifying acceptable health status and completing all the requirements for the nursing program. Requirements for the physical are included on the form provided to each student after admission to the nursing program.
5. Have liability/malpractice insurance of $1,000,000 per incident and $3,000,000 per aggregate. (Payment included with lab fees during registration)

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES:

	DEP	2004	Human Growth & Development	3
	ENC	1101	Composition I	3
+*	___	___	General Education Humanities	3
+	MCB	2010	Microbiology	4
+	MCB	2010L	Microbiology Lab	
	PSY	2012	General Psychology	3
	MAC	1105	College Algebra	3

NURSING RELATED COURSES:

	BSC	2085	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3
	BSC	2085L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1
+	BSC	2086	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3
	BSC	2086L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1
	HUN	1201	Human Nutrition	3

NURSING CORE COURSES:

+	NUR	1020	Foundations of Nursing Practice	4
+	NUR	1020L	Foundations of Nursing Practice Lab	5
+	NUR	1140	Clinical Pharmacology	3
+	NUR	1210C	Adult Health Nursing I	4
+	NUR	1212C	Adult Health Nursing II	5
+	NUR	1521C	Mental Health Nursing	3
+	NUR	2244C	Adult Health Nursing III	5
+	NUR	2460C	Parent Child Nursing	5
+	NUR	2251C	Adult Health Nursing IV	4
+	NUR	2943C	Transitional Nursing	4

REQUIRED TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 72

*Refer to A.A. degree general education requirements.
+Prerequisite course required. See course description in catalog.

NOTE: Any person having been arrested or convicted of any offense other than a minor traffic violation should refer to Florida Statutes, Chapter 464, regarding nursing licensure. For further information, contact the Department of Health, Division of Medical Quality Assurance, Florida Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, BIN C02, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3252. (850) 245-4125. FAX (850) 245-4172.

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