Associate in Science in Nursing
If you’ve been thinking about becoming a nurse or advancing your nursing career, there has never been a better time to pursue your goal at Columbia College. Nursing is a very satisfying profession, and the demand for nurses continues to rise.

Two locations

The Associate in Science in Nursing degree is available at the following locations:
- Columbia College, located in Columbia, Missouri
- Columbia College-Lake of the Ozarks, located in Osage Beach, Missouri.

Students may apply to the program in Columbia, the Lake of the Ozarks or both. The program is open to individuals who have no prior nursing education as well as those who are licensed practical nurses.
A quality program

The nursing program is approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing. Graduates of the program are eligible to apply to take the Missouri State Board of Nursing Licensure Examination to become registered nurses.*

*Successful completion of the program does not guarantee eligibility to take the licensure examination. According to the Nursing Practice Act, licensure may be withheld or revoked due to controlled substance abuse, criminal prosecution and a variety of other offenses.
Program costs

Columbia College application fee:
$35

Tuition:

General education, mathematics and science courses

Evening Campus*  
$210/credit hour (Lake of the Ozarks)  
$225/credit hour (Columbia)

Day Campus* (Columbia)  
Part time (1-6 credit hours) $450/credit hour  
Part time (6.1-11.9 credit hours) $656/credit hour  
Full time (12-18 credit hours) $10,468/semester

Nursing courses (NURS)*  
$350/credit hour

Admission testing:  
Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) fee: $50

Criminal background check: $58  
Required at the time you submit an application to the nursing program.

Drug testing: Cost varies; required only for those accepted to the nursing program.

Textbooks for nursing courses:  
Estimate: $1,000

Physical exam: Required only for those accepted to the nursing program before beginning the nursing sequence. Immunizations and lab tests also might be required.

Incidental/lab fees for specific courses:

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Total $400

Currently licensed LPNs are exempt from taking NURS 209 and have the option to test out of NURS 210. The cost for this exam is $50.

Parking expenses:  
When attending a clinical shift, some facilities charge a parking fee. We suggest that students carpool if possible.

Graduation expenses: $75-$100  
Diploma, cap, gown, nursing pin and transcript fee

State board application fees and National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) application fees:  
Approximately $300

* Costs are subject to change
Program overview

The curriculum consists of general education, mathematics and science courses and specific nursing courses. Full-time enrollment at the Evening Campus and the Lake of the Ozarks Campus is six credit hours per eight-week session. Nursing majors who are taking prerequisite courses will often take eight credit hours per session (one five-hour science course plus one three-hour general education course).

Program length

It is expected that a student completes the 77 hour curriculum in 11 or 12 sessions (approximately two and a half years). This time can be shortened if a student transfers credit for general education, mathematics and science courses or elects to complete some requirements via the College Level Examination Program (CLEP).

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Curriculum plan for nursing required prerequisites

**ENGL 111**  
English Composition I  
3 hours

**ENGL 112**  
English Composition II  
3 hours

**PSYC 101**  
General Psychology  
3 hours

**MATH 106 (or higher)**  
Intermediate Algebra  
3 hours

**NURS 209**  
Introduction to Nursing  
6 hours  
*(waiver is possible but subject to faculty approval)*

**Science**

**BIOL 110**  
Principles of Biology  
3 hours

**BIOL 110L**  
Principles of Biology Lab  
2 hours

**BIOL 223**  
Anatomy  
3 hours

**BIOL 223L**  
Anatomy Lab  
2 hours

**BIOL 326**  
Physiology  
3 hours

**BIOL 326L**  
Physiology Lab  
2 hours

**CHEM 109**  
Chemistry  
3 hours

**BIOL 221**  
Clinical Microbiology  
3 hours

**BIOL 221L**  
Clinical Microbiology Lab  
2 hours

*or*

**BIOL 312**  
Microbiology  
3 hours

**BIOL 312L**  
Microbiology Lab  
2 hours

**Total nursing required prerequisites ...........................................................41 hours**

**Nursing sequence courses**

**NURS 210**  
Fundamentals of Nursing  
*(may be waived for LPNs)*  
6 hours

**NURS 211**  
Mental Health Nursing  
3 hours

**NURS 212**  
Pharmacology  
3 hours

**NURS 213**  
Foundations of Nursing  
6 hours

**NURS 214**  
Medical/Surgical Nursing I  
6 hours

**NURS 215**  
Medical/Surgical Nursing II  
6 hours

**NURS 216**  
Women's and Infant's Health  
6 hours

**Total nursing course credit hours.................................................................36 hours**

**Total program credit hours...........................................................................77 hours**
Nursing course sequence

The nursing sequence is a 14-month program for non-LPN students and a 12-month program for LPN students.

All six credit-hour nursing courses meet four times a week: two days a week for lecture and two days a week for clinicals. Days of the week for the nursing classes and clinicals vary per session and by campus.

Required sequential courses:

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Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

Students must take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) version V and achieve a competitive score in order to apply to begin the nursing sequence courses. The TEAS must be taken on campus in Columbia or Lake of the Ozarks and can be taken up to three times.

The TEAS consists of four sections: mathematics, reading, science and English.

The TEAS is a standardized, timed, computerized test. Students should allow approximately four hours to complete the test.

For more information on the TEAS, please go to www.atitesting.com/Solutions/PreNursingSchool/TEAS.aspx

To register for a testing date, go to http://web.ccis.edu/Departments/Nursing/TestDates.aspx.
Admission to the Associate in Science in Nursing Program is on a selective basis. Acceptance into Columbia College does not guarantee acceptance into the nursing course sequence. The nursing course sequence begins in March and October.

For application and selection deadlines, please visit [www.ccis.edu/departments/nursing/criteria.asp](http://www.ccis.edu/departments/nursing/criteria.asp).

All applicants must meet Columbia College general admission requirements.

**Nursing program application criteria:**

- Must be admitted to Columbia College.
- Students may elect to complete one or more of the remaining prerequisites (not to exceed six credit hours) in the eight-week session between the time the submission of the nursing application and the start of the nursing classes.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.75 for the general education, mathematics and science courses and be in good academic standing with Columbia College. A minimum grade of C is required for all nursing prerequisite courses.
- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Possess the necessary functional abilities to provide safe and effective patient care.
- Achieve a competitive score on the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), version V.
- Complete and submit an application packet to the nursing program.

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Applicants will be ranked based on:

- GPA in nursing prerequisite courses
- TEAS, version V score

Applicants taking the RN State Board Licensure Examination must have completed high school (or the equivalent) and have completed a professional nursing program.

Program acceptance

Acceptance into Columbia College does not guarantee acceptance into the nursing sequence courses. There is a separate application process for the nursing sequence courses.

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