

## **Registered Nursing**

### **Associate in Applied Science Degree (AAS)**

#### **At a Glance**

Registered nurses provide and manage care for patients and their families. Registered nurses work in a variety of health care settings including but not limited to medical centers, physician's offices, home health care agencies, long-term care facilities, correctional facilities, industries, and schools. The median annual wage for registered nurses was \$68,450 in May 2016 as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 16% from 2014-2024 according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The Health Science Program Administrator and the nursing faculty have the responsibility for administering and evaluating the Nursing Program according to policies and guidelines established by the Division of Nursing, Central Alabama Community College, the Alabama Community College System, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, the Alabama Board of Nursing, and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

<b>ACCS One Plus One Curriculum</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>
Required Nursing Courses for the Practical Nursing Certificate .....	25
Required General Education Courses for the Practical Nursing Certificate .....	20
Total Credit Hours Required for the Practical Nursing Certificate .....	45

*NOTE: The Practical Nursing certificate is awarded after successful completion of the third term of the nursing curriculum.*

Required Nursing Courses for the Associate in Applied Science Degree .....	39
Required General Education Courses for the Associate in Applied Science Degree .....	27
Total Credit Hours Required for the Associate in Applied Science Degree .....	66

*NOTE: The Associate in Applied Science Degree is awarded after successful completion of the fifth term of the nursing curriculum.*

#### **ACCS One Plus One Curriculum**

<b>TERM 1</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
NUR 112 Fundamental Concepts of Nursing.....	7
BIO 201 Human Anatomy and Physiology I.....	4
MTH 110 Finite Mathematics <b>OR</b> Higher Level Math MTH 100 .....	3
<b>Total Credit Hours – Term 1 .....</b>	<b>14</b>

<b>TERM 2</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
NUR 113 Nursing Concepts I .....	8
PSY 210 Human Growth and Development .....	3
BIO 202 Human Anatomy and Physiology II .....	4
ENG 101 English Composition I .....	3
<b>Total Credit Hours – Term 2 .....</b>	<b>18</b>

<b>TERM 3</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
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NUR 114	Nursing Concepts II .....	8
NUR 115	Evidenced Based Clinical Reasoning .....	2
SPH 106	Fund. of Oral Communication <b>OR</b> SPH 107 (Fund. of Public Speaking) .....	3
	<b>Total Credit Hours – Term 3 .....</b>	<b>13</b>

<b>TERM 4</b>		<b>CREDITS</b>
NUR 211	Advanced Nursing Concepts.....	8
BIO 220	General Microbiology .....	4
	<b>Total Credit Hours – Term 4 .....</b>	<b>11</b>

<b>TERM 5</b>		<b>CREDITS</b>
NUR 211	Advanced Evidence Based Clinical Reasoning .....	7
	Humanities & Fine Arts Elective* ( <b>Preferred - PHL 206 Ethics &amp; Society</b> ).....	3
	<b>Total Credit Hours – Term 5 .....</b>	<b>10</b>

**Total Credit Hours.....66**

*\* Introductory foreign language courses cannot be utilized as the only Humanities and Fine Arts elective.*

*The Nursing program requirements and curriculum are subject to modification to meet the requirements of the College, state, or national approval/accrediting agencies.*