



Registered Nursing

What is a registered nurse? Registered nurses (RNs) have a variety of tasks to take care of daily. RNs keep records, administer medication, consult with other healthcare providers, monitor patients and educate individuals and families. RNs must also stay up to date with new technology and tools. These skills help nurses provide the best care to patients and families and the best support to doctors and other healthcare professionals involved in the care of their patient.

RN basic skills include:

- ❖ Patient care
- ❖ Treatment planning
- ❖ Advanced cardiac life support (ACLS)
- ❖ Clinical experience
- ❖ Acute care
- ❖ Case management

In addition to medical skills, nurses must also have a blend of active listening, critical thinking, social perceptiveness, and decision making skills.

According to labor and wage information provided by the Texas Workforce Commission, the average annual salary of a registered nurse is \$67,490

How do I apply? There are 2 ways to apply to a RN program.

- ❖ Earn a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University, then choose between applying to:
 - Any traditional 2 yr nursing program, BSN or AND (both are RNs)
 - A fast track BSN program, which takes the traditional 2 yr program and condenses it to 12-15 months. This choice is only for students who will have a bachelor's degree prior to entry in a program
- ❖ Attend any college to take the required prerequisite courses then
 - Apply to any traditional 2 yr nursing program, BSN or AND (both are RNs).

It is important to note that with the first option you will earn 2 degrees, one from TAMU and the other from the nursing program you choose. The second option only gives you a degree from the program you choose.

Common Prerequisite courses for Registered Nursing programs currently in Texas.

COURSE	HOURS REQUIRED	TAMU COURSE NUMBER
COMM	6	ENGL 103 & 104
HIST	6	HIST 105, 106, or 226
POLS	6	POLS 206 and 207
SOCI	3	SOCI 205
PHIL	3	PHIL 251
CREATIVE ARTS	3	Music, Art, Dance, Theater, or Drama
PSYC	6	PSYC 107 and PSYC 2314
MATH	6	MATH 141 and 142 (others may be sub)
NUTR	3	Fundamentals, Scientific Principles, Health & Health Care
BIOL	4	BIOL 111 or BIOL 107
A&P	8	BIOL 319 and 320
CHEM	4	CHEM 101/111
MBIO	4	BIOL 206

Please note: All prerequisites and information are subject to change at any time without notice. It is the responsibility of the applicant to remain up-to-date on all requirements.

Registered Nursing programs in Texas:

H - Abilene Christian University http://www.acu.edu/academics/nursing	T - Texas A&M University – Texarkana http://tamut.edu
E - Angelo State University – San Angelo http://www.angelo.edu/	H - Texas Christian University - Fort Worth* http://www.tcu.edu/
H - Baylor University @ Dallas* http://www.baylor.edu/	T - Texas Lutheran University – Seguin http://www.tlu.edu
H - Chamberlain College of Nursing – Houston http://www.chamberlain.edu	T - Texas State University – Round Rock http://www.nursing.txstate.edu
H - Chamberlain College of Nursing – Irving http://www.chamberlain.edu	T - Texas Tech University HSC – Lubbock* http://www.ttuhs.edu/
H - Chamberlain College of Nursing – Pearland http://www.chamberlain.edu	H - Texas Tech University HSC – El Paso* http://el Paso.ttuhs.edu/
T - Concordia University Texas – Austin* www.concordia.edu/	T - Texas Woman’s University – Denton, Katy http://www.twu.edu/
T - East Texas Baptist University – Marshall https://www.etbu.edu/	H - University of Houston – Sugar Land* http://www.uh.edu/nursing
E - Galen College of Nursing – San Antonio http://www.galencollege.edu	T - University of Mary Hardin-Baylor – Belton http://www.umhb.edu/
H - Houston Baptist University https://www.hbu.edu/	N/A - University of St. Thomas – Houston http://www.stthom.edu
H - Lamar University @ Beaumont http://www.lamar.edu/	T - University of Texas @ Arlington* http://www.uta.edu/uta/
H - Letourneau University - Longview http://www.letu.edu	N/A - University of Texas @ Austin http://www.utexas.edu/
H - Midwestern State University – Wichita Falls* https://mwsu.edu/	G - University of Texas @ Austin Alternate Entry MSN http://www.utexas.edu
T - National American University - Austin http://www.national.edu	T - University of Texas @ El Paso https://www.utep.edu/
H - Patty Hanks Shelton – Abilene http://www.phssn.edu/	T - University of Texas @ Tyler* http://www.uttyler.edu/
H - Prairie View A&M University – Houston http://www.pvamu.edu/	H - UTHSC @ Houston* https://www.uth.edu/
T - Sam Houston State University – Huntsville http://www.shsu.edu/	T - UTHSC @ San Antonio* http://www.uthscsa.edu/
T - South University – Round Rock http://www.southuniversity.edu	T - UTMB @ Galveston https://www.utmb.edu/
T - Southwestern Adventist University – Keene https://www.swau.edu/	T - University of Texas of the Permian Basin - Odessa www.utpb.edu
T - Stephen F. Austin State University – Nacogdoches http://www.sfasu.edu/	H - University of Texas @ Rio Grande Valley (Edinburg) http://www.utrgv.edu
T - Tarleton State University – Stephenville http://www.tarleton.edu/home/	T - University of the Incarnate Word – San Antonio http://www.uiw.edu/
H - Texas A&M HSC -College Station* https://www.tamhsc.edu/	T - Wayland Baptist University – San Antonio https://www.sa.wbu.edu/
H - Texas A&M International University – Laredo http://www.tamiu.edu/	E - West Coast University - Dallas http://www.westcoastuniversity.edu
H - Texas A&M University –Commerce http://www.tamuc.edu/	H - West Texas A&M University – Canyon http://www.wtamu.edu/
H - Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi* http://tamucc.edu/	T - Western Governors University - Austin http://texas.wgu.edu

Required Admission Test: H = Hesi; T = Teas; E = Either; G = GRE; N/A = No Test; *Accelerated Programs



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