NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES
Admission Packet

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING (ASDN):
TRADITIONAL GENERIC
Accelerated Admission

Nurse Entrance Test: ATI TEAS
Schedule with testing center

Application Deadline: March 3rd, 2025

For additional information and guidance, before you apply to one of the programs, call 386-754-4222, to set up a mandatory appointment with an advisor.

149 SE College Place, Lake City, Florida 32025-2007

Contact: Admissions 386-754-4287/386-754-4396 Website:
ASDN Program Information (ASDN hyperlink on page)

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ACCELERATED ADMISSION

Florida Gateway College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award baccalaureate and associate degrees. Contact the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, or call 404- 679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Florida Gateway College.

The Associate of Science Degree at Florida Gateway College is approved by the Florida Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C02, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3252; 850-245-4125.

The associate nursing program at Florida Gateway College at the main campus located in Lake City, Florida is accredited by the:
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) 3390
Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400 Atlanta, GA 30326
(404) 975-5000

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the associate nursing program is Continuing Accreditation with Conditions.

View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program at
http://www.acenursing.com/accreditedprograms/programsearch.htm

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FGC will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required in affording equal educational opportunity. The Office of Accessibility Services can provide further information and assistance at (386) 754-4393. It is the student's responsibility to register with Accessibility Services and to contact the faculty member in a timely manner to arrange for appropriate accommodations. Accommodations will be provided for standardized testing (i.e., CPT, Nurse Entrance Exam) when requested in a timely manner.

Florida Gateway College does not discriminate in its employment practices, admission and treatment of students on the basis of race, color, religion, nation origin, sex, age, disability, marital status or any other legally protected status in accordance with the law. The equity officer is Cassandra Buckles, Director of Human Resources, and may be reached at (386) 754-4313.

TRADITIONAL GENERIC- ACCELERATED ADMISSION APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Completion of this checklist alone does not guarantee acceptance to the Associate in Science Degree Accelerated Admission in Nursing Program. Completion of the checklist is the applicant's responsibility. Applicants should complete the checklist in order.

FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION:

1. Complete a Florida Gateway College (FGC) Admission Application and return it to the FGC Enrollment Services. (if you are not already a student at FGC).
2. Have your official high school transcript(s), GED, or documentation of Home Schooling sent to FGC Enrollment Services.
3. Provide ACT, SAT or PERT standardized testing scores to the FGC Enrollment Services.

(For help with college admission standardized testing: Check with the Student Success Center in Building 08 for test review (386) 754-4382

FOR ADMISSION TO THE NURSING PROGRAM

1. Complete the nursing entrance exam (TEAS) with a score of 58.7% or higher. Scores generally indicate a moderate level of overall academic preparedness necessary to support learning on nursing-related content. This exam is available through the FGC Testing Center.

   Register online for the Nurse Entrance Exam, click on the following tabs:
   www.fgc.edu
   Academics
   TEAS

2. Submit exam scores to the nursing department no later than the application deadline indicated on the front page of the packet. If the Nurse Entrance Exam is taken at another test site, official scores must be provided in the sealed envelope provided by the testing center.

3. Submit the ASDN Traditional Generic Accelerated Admission Supplemental Application. You may hand deliver or send through Postal Mail no later than the application deadline indicated on the front page of the packet.

ATTACH THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPLICATION (The completed application with ALL attachments must be submitted together prior to the deadline on the front page of the packet.)

1. **Unofficial** transcripts that include all schools or universities coursework. Unofficial transcripts can be obtained from your college websites.

2. Documentation of health-related experience (this must be a letter from your previous or present employer(s) that include job duties and length of time employed in that role).

3. **Write a <u>four (4) paragraph</u> essay (1 paragraph per prompt) and attach with your application.**
     The four (4) essay prompts are:
         What does nursing mean to you?
         What does professionalism mean to you?
         What does caring mean to you?
         What does ethics or ethical behavior mean to you?

4. Applications without proper documents **will not** be considered for admission into the ASDN Program.

The program admission response letters will be mailed within **4 weeks** of the application deadline indicated on the front page of the packet.

ADMISSION CRITERIA
ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE TRADITIONAL GENERIC ACCELERATED ADMISSION

The following criteria will be required for all admissions to the **ASDN Accelerated** program:

1. Applicants must be 18 years of age prior to the start of program.
2. Must make a general advising appointment with the college advising department so that all transcripts can be reviewed.

3. Applicants must complete all first term courses with a **GPA of 3.5 or higher**. All first term classes must be completed by the end of the first term in order to be considered for the accelerated program which will start in the second semester.

4. If science courses (BSC 2085/L, BSC 2086/L and MCB 2010/L) have been taken, must have a **GPA of 3.0 or higher. Science courses must be taken within 5 years of application to nursing program. If science courses are not within 5 years, students must complete BSC 2084C with a B or higher.**

5. Applicants must score proficiency or higher (58.7 % or higher) on the Nurse Entrance Exam admission test. Scores must be submitted to the nursing department no later than the application deadline indicated on the front page of the packet**.**

Florida Gateway College
Nursing and Health Sciences
ASDN

Accelerated Admission
Point System for Competitive Admission

Successfully completed an FGC Nursing and Health Sciences Program

Maximum 14 points_____

LPN with licensure	14
Paramedic with licensure	12
EMT with licensure	8
Medical Assistant with licensure	8
CNA with licensure	8
Phlebotomy	6

Direct patient care work experience in healthcare with a letter from employer with time period of employment included Maximum 10 points _____

6 or more months healthcare experience	10

Previously qualified applicant to
Florida Gateway College ASDN Program 5 points_____

*Nurse Entrance Exam (ATI TEAS) Maximum Score 9 points _____

Exemplary	9
Advanced	7
Proficient	6

* Students must score 58.7 % or above to be eligible for accelerated admission to the program.

Military Service- Must provide a DD214

Maximum 5 points_____

Veteran or spouse of veteran	5

Admission Essay   Maximum 20 points _____

Essay	Points
Substantive response in all four areas	20
Substantive response in three areas	15
Substantive response in two areas	10
Substantive response in one area	5

Two (2) points for each general education courses taken at Florida Gateway College

Maximum 24 points _____

* Final accelerated acceptance requires a 3.5 or higher GPA in first term courses. If a 3.5 or higher GPA is not achieved, the student cannot continue in the accelerated program, but may have their application considered for the next traditional program start date. All pre-requisites must then be obtained as outlined in the Traditional ASDN application packet.

TOTAL POINTS (Maximum 87) _____

CURRICULUM FOR ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE
TRADITIONAL GENERIC (RN) ACCELERATED ADMISSION
72 CREDIT HOURS*

SEM	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CR HRS	TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS
1st Term	Anatomy and Physiology I	BSC 2085	3	17
	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	BSC 2085L	1	
	Anatomy and Physiology II	BSC 2086	3	
	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	BSC 2086L	1	
	Human Nutrition	HUN 1201	3	
	Freshman Composition	ENC 1101	3	
	College Algebra Or MGF Mathematical Thinking	MAC 1105 or MGF 1130	3	
2nd Term	Microbiology	MCB 2010	3	14
	Microbiology Lab	MCB 2010L	1	
	Nursing Foundations	NUR 1020C	10	
3rd Term	Nursing Process I	NUR 1213C	10	13
	Human Growth and Dev	DEP 2004	3	
4th Term	Nursing Process II	NUR 2241C	12	15
	Am. Govt or US History from 1877	POS 1041 or AMH 2020	3	
5th Term	Transition Maternal, Infant, Child, Adolescent	NUR 2412C	6	13
	Nursing Roles and Leadership	NUR2804C	4	
	Intro to Humanities or Intro to Philosophy	HUM 2020 or PHI 2010	3	
PROGRAM TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	GENERAL EDUCATION			30
	NURSING			42
	Total Program Credit Hours 72			

FOLLOWING ACCEPTANCE INTO THE PROGRAM

The program admission response letters will be mailed within 4 weeks of the application deadline indicated on the front page of the packet. Acceptance information cannot be provided over the phone. Please do not call to request this information.

FOLLOWING ACCEPTANCE INTO THE PROGRAM, THE STUDENT MUST:

Complete a Healthcare Provider Basic Life Support course before the beginning of the nursing program. **This requirement can only be satisfied by obtaining the BLS Provider card from the American Heart Association (AHA) or the Professional Rescuer card from the American Red Cross (ARC).** FGC does offer the AHA BLS Provider course at the Avery and Twyla Roberts School of Public Service at the Olustee Campus in Sanderson. You can find this course in the college catalog (WFHX 0003) and can register online or through enrollment services. You must have a valid card, throughout the nursing program.

Have a current physical examination including a PPD verifying acceptable health status. Appropriate boosters must be completed. Proof of Immunity must be submitted from **official documentation only**. Official shot records from your doctor, the health department, or public school are acceptable. If official documentation is not available, then blood titers are necessary to determine immunity for: Tetanus, Hepatitis B, Varicella (chicken pox), and Measles, Mumps, & Rubella (MMR). Vaccinations may be necessary if immunity cannot be confirmed with the blood titer. All health records (physical exam, immunizations, PPD) are due to screening company by dates announced.

COVID-19 and current flu vaccinations are required of all nursing students. Timeframe for obtaining the flu vaccination will be announced.

Provide a copy (front and back) of his/her health insurance card by first day of class (fall semester). Student **must** be covered by personal health insurance following acceptance and throughout the program.

Attend Nursing Student Orientation on the specified date.

Be free of offenses as listed in Florida Statutes S.400.211 as verified by a Level 2 background check. Information on the background screen will be discussed at orientation. Students are responsible for the cost.

Negative results on a 10-panel drug screen. Information on the drug screen will be discussed at orientation. Subject to random drug screening during program. Students are responsible for the cost.*

Students who fail to provide required documentation by the due date will have their admission rescinded.

***Please make a copy of all records prior to turning them in to the Screening company.* You will need them after you graduate for your job. You are responsible for maintaining these records.**

Copies will not be available following graduation from the program.

PHYSICAL HEALTH, DRUG AND ALCOHOL SCREEN, AND BACKGROUND CHECK

After acceptance into the program, all screening must be completed by the date specified by the program.

Final acceptance into the program is <u>contingent upon satisfactory</u> results from your physical examination, drug screen, and in-depth background screen. The drug, alcohol and background screen must be completed by an agency as designated by the Director of ASDN and Certificate Programs. Information on obtaining these tests/reports will be provided in the provisional acceptance notification package. **These reports should not be submitted with initial application materials. You must agree to authorize FGC to share the results of the background screen with any clinical site to which you may be assigned, if required by that site.**

Student Drug Screen and Background Check
When submitted, these records will become the property of the College, and will not be available for copying or for use to meet the requirements of outside employers.

Drug and Alcohol Screening
Area health care agencies are drug free places of employment. All health care agencies require a negative drug and alcohol screen before hiring a new employee. The Florida Gateway College Nursing and Health Sciences Division has been asked by area health care affiliates to require a drug and alcohol screen for program applicants who will be placed in area health care agencies for clinical rotations. Program applicants are required to obtain a substance abuse drug and alcohol screen and are subject to random screens upon admission to the program. These results are important for clinical rotations, and subsequent completion of the Nursing Program. Applicants with a positive result on the screen will be given a reasonable opportunity to explain the confirmed positive test result. If the explanation is unacceptable and/or cannot be satisfactorily documented by the applicant's physician or APRN, or the Medical Review Office (MRO), the applicant will not be accepted into the program and, if enrolled, shall be dismissed from the program. Screening results will be kept in a confidential file.

The applicant may reapply and be considered for application to a Health Sciences program after a positive reference from a treatment team who has followed the applicant for at least two (2) years, and has dealt specifically with the applicant's problem of chemical dependence.

Results from the drug and alcohol screens will be kept in a strictly confidential file, separate from the student's record. No screening results are to be placed in individual student files.

In-depth Background Check
Nursing and Health Sciences students at Florida Gateway College involved in direct patient care during a clinical rotation in a hospital or related medical facility are required to complete an in-depth background screen. Information will be provided at orientation. This is a requirement mandated under the guidelines cited in the current Florida Statutes: Chapter 435, and by health care agencies with which FGC has clinical, internship and externship agreements. Information will be included in your acceptance letter.

Any student who has been arrested regardless of adjudication, plea of nolo contendere, or pleas of guilty to, any offense under the provisions of Florida Statutes or under a similar statute of another jurisdiction may be disqualified from admission. According to the Florida Board of Nursing Policy, **students must self-disclose any charges and/or arrest information by submitting a letter to the Director of ASDN and Certificate Programs prior to admission to the program.**

The Florida Board of Nursing requires additional criminal checks on all applicants for licensure and any nursing licensure applicant who has an arrest record to present those records. The Florida Board of Nursing is the state agency authorized to issue nursing licenses. As part of the licensure application process, graduates will be required to submit a signed statement verifying compliance with the Agency for Health Care Administration Florida Board of Nursing Rule 64 B 9-3.002 which states:

► **Prior to application for examination, convicted felons must obtain a restoration of their civil rights or they are ineligible to sit for the examination.**

► **If an applicant has been convicted of any offense other than minor traffic violation, the applicant shall submit arrest and court records stating the nature of the offense and final disposition of the case so that a determination can be made by the Board whether the offense relates to the practice of nursing or the ability to practice nursing. Any convicted felons must submit proof of restoration of civil rights**

GRADUATION INFORMATION

In order to graduate from an ASDN program, students must:

❖ Demonstrate knowledge of computers as set forth in the Associate in Science Degree General Education Requirements of the Catalog.
❖ Complete all ASDN coursework, laboratory and clinical/simulation hours.

Complete Civic Literacy Requirement as outlined in the Catalog. Fulfill all additional requirements as outlined in the college catalog

Applicants for Nursing and Health Sciences Programs must be free of offenses that would disqualify one for employment as a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) in a nursing home (Florida Statutes s.400.211). This policy is the result of requirements by clinical affiliates which must comply with state and federal regulations.

Judgments of guilty or pleas of nolo contendere (no contest) to the following crimes may disqualify applicants from entering into clinical rotations associated with a Florida Gateway College Nursing and Health Sciences Program:

- Murder, Manslaughter or Vehicular homicide
- Killing of an unborn child by injury to the mother
- Assault or Battery, if the victim of the offense was a minor
- Aggravated assault or battery
- Kidnapping or False imprisonment
- Sexual battery
- Prohibited acts of persons in familial or custody authority
- Prostitution
- Lewd and lascivious behavior
- Lewdness and indecent exposure
- Arson
- Theft, robbery, and related crimes, if the offense is a felony
- Fraudulent sale of controlled substances, only if the offense was a felony
- Incest
- Abuse, neglect or exploitation of a disabled adult or elderly person
- Aggravated child abuse
- Child abuse
- Negligent treatment of children
- Sexual performance by a child
- Obscene literature
- Drug offenses which were a felony, or if the offense involved a minor
- Fraudulent practices in Health Care, Medicaid, Medicare or any public assistance program

Some Health Care units will require an additional abuse check. If this is the case, the following applies: Has not been judicially determined to have committed abuse or neglect against a child as defined in s.3901(2) and (45); does not have a confirmed report of abuse, neglect, or exploitation as defined in s.415.102(6), or abuse or neglect as defined in s.415.503(6), which has been uncontested or upheld under s.415.1075 or s.415.504; does not have a proposed confirmed report that remains unserved and is
maintained in the central abuse registry and tracking system pursuant to s.415.1065(s)©; and has not committed an act that constitutes domestic violence as defined ins. 714.128.

For information regarding how an offence may affect your eligibility for an RN license, please follow the link below for the conviction guidelines published by the state of Florida for those wishing to apply for a nursing license.

http://floridasnursing.gov/licensing/licensed-practical-nurse-registered-nurse-by-examination/

Click on the links "Applicants with Criminal History" and "Health Care Fraud" to view additional information.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES
TRADITIONAL
GENERIC
ACCELERATED
ADMISSION

Tuition: Based on $103.32 per credit hour for **in-state tuition. (Based on previous year's fees. Fees are subject to change.)

Tuition and Fees to be paid to the college. Lab fees include: Standardized Testing, Professional Liability Insurance, lab consumables, skills lab fee & skills kit:

Standardized tests must be taken in order to remain in the program.

First term	$ 1,756.44	(17 hours)
Co-requisites	$ 1,343.16	(13 hours)
* Second term	$ 1,033.20	(10 hours)
* Third term	$ 1,033.20	(10 hours)
* Fourth term	$ 1,239.84	(12 hours)
* Fifth term	$ 1,033.20	(10 hours)
* Lab Fees (Includes standardized testing)	$ 1,414.00	
Professional Liability Insurance	$ 24.00	
Nurse Entrance Exam	$ 102.00	
* Books, ATI resources, and Supplies	$ 2,024.00	
CPR Certification	$ 40.00	

(Costs will be higher if prep courses are required) **TOTAL** **$11,043.04**

A lab fee has been added to all courses with a clinical lab component.

The following expenses are not paid to the college:

Uniforms (2) – *approximate*	180.00
Lab Coat (1) – *approximate*	30.00
Name Pin, Shoes, Watch	100.00
Clinical Supplies	25.00
Background and Drug Screens	226.00
Physical Exam	160.00
Personal Health Insurance	200.00
State Board Application Fee	110.00
NCLEX-RN Fee	200.00
TOTAL	**$1,231.00**
PROGRAM TOTAL	**$12,274.04**

These are **estimated** expenses and subject to change.

*FEES TO BE PAID TO THE COLLEGE.

**Out-of-state students please check with Admissions Office for credit hour fees.

Note: Toward the end of the program, students may be expected to incur additional expenses toward graduation, including reception and NCLEX fees. Students may also be asked by organized student class representatives to participate in fund-raising activities to help with these expenses.

ADVISING APPOINTMENTS

Please call the Advising Office at 386-754-4222 (College Advising) to schedule a MANDATORY appointment with an advisor.

EMPLOYMENT

The Nursing Program is academically demanding and time consuming. While you are enrolled in the Nursing Program **it is recommended that employment be on a part-time basis, no more than 20 hours per week.**

FINANCIAL AID

Financial Aid is available to qualified students through the Office of Financial Aid, 386-754-4282. Limited additional scholarships are available to students in the Nursing Program.

READMISSION

Students seeking re-admission at any level of the program must follow the Readmission Criteria found in the ASDN student handbook.

TRANSFERS

Students seeking to transfer from another nursing program must follow the transfer policy. A copy of the policy is available upon request from the Director of ASDN and Certificate Programs.

MAIL APPROPRIATE MATERIALS TO:

Enrollment Services
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
149 SE COLLEGE PLACE
LAKE CITY, FLORIDA 32025-2007
386-754-4287

PLEASE HAND DELIVER OR MAIL
ALL APPLICATIONS TO
ASDN PROGRAMS
ATTENTION: PATRICIA ORENDER
FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
149 SE COLLEGE PLACE
LAKE CITY, FLORIDA 32025

FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE
ASDN TRADITIONAL GENERIC (RN) ACCELERATE ADMISSION
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION TO

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Date Received:

STUDENT ID NUMBER_____YEAR APPLYING FOR ADMISSION_____

NAME_____PHONE HOME (____)_____WORK (____)_____

MAILING ADDRESS_____CITY_____COUNTY_____

STATE_____ZIP_____E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY APPLIED FOR THIS PROGRAM? YES   NO   IF SO, WHAT YEAR? _____

IF ANY OF YOUR TRANSCRIPTS, TEST SCORES, ETC., MIGHT ARRIVE UNDER ANY NAMES OTHER THAN THOSE LISTED

ABOVE, ENTER NAMES HERE:_____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE   _____YES_____NO
GED   _____YES_____NO

HOME SCHOOL GRADUATE_____YES_____NO
CAREER PATHWAYS PROGRAM GRADUATE_____YES_____NO   DATE:_____COUNTY_____

ARE YOU APPLYING FOR ACCELERATED ADMISSION   YES   NO

LIST ALL POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES IN WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN ENROLLED: OMISSION CONSTITUTES FALSIFICATION OF RECORDS AND VOIDS YOUR APPLICATION. (TO LIST MORE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES, ATTACH A SEPARATE PAGE.) **Attach an unofficial copy of your transcripts from colleges (INCLUDING FGC) to this application.**

NAME OF INSTITUTION	CITY/STATE	DATES	DEGREE	CREDIT

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

NOTIFY_____RELATIONSHIP:_____

ADDRESS_____CITY_____STATE_____ZIP CODE_____

HOME PHONE (_____)_____WORK PHONE (_____)_____

c. VETERAN'S PREFERENCE: ARE YOU A VETERAN?   YES☐ NO☐

ARE YOU THE SPOUSE OF A VETERAN?   YES☐ NO☐

D. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED?_____YES_____NO.

IF YES, ATTACH YOUR STATEMENT PROVIDING DESCRIPTION OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ARREST(S) IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, ATTENTION: PATRICIA ORENDER, DIRECTOR of ASDN and Certificate Programs. **FALSIFICATION OF ANY PART OF THIS FORM WILL BE GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF ADMISSION.**