



ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING

Registered nurses provide for the physical, mental and emotional needs of their patients. They are advocates and health educators for patients, families and communities, guiding us to take proactive measures to ensure better health.

When providing patient care, they observe, assess and record the symptoms, reactions and progress of their patients, assist healthcare providers during treatments and examinations, administer medications, and aid in convalescence and rehabilitation. They accept responsibility, follow orders precisely, determine when consultation is required and are committed to lifelong learning.

OCtech's Associate Degree Nursing program offers hands-on practice in state-of-the-art labs and practical clinical experiences at area healthcare facilities that help you develop the skills, knowledge and confidence needed to excel in the field. Throughout our rigorous curriculum, you'll encounter the fundamentals of integrity, caring, work ethic and self-discipline – traits every nurse must possess. Upon graduation, you'll be ready for the National Council Licensing Examination and prepared to provide excellent care to patients in our community and beyond.

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OUR GRADUATES ARE HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER TO WORK LOCALLY AND STATEWIDE

start here **PRE-NURSING ADN CERTIFICATE**

3 Semesters/36 Hours

take these classes first

- BIO 210 Anatomy and Physiology I
- MAT 102 Intermediate Algebra
- ENG 101 English Composition
- PSY 201 General Psychology
- BIO 211 Anatomy and Physiology II
- BIO 225 Microbiology
- AHS 210 Nutrition for Healthcare Professionals
- Humanities Elective
- Healthcare Certification
- AHS Elective (optional)

FALL 2026 ACCEPTANCE

- OPEN: APRIL 6**
- DEADLINE: MAY 14**
- NOTIFIED BY JUNE 26**

**EARLY ACCEPTANCE AND
GUARANTEED ADMISSION**
JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 19
NOTIFIED BY MARCH 20

ADN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- **APPLY and get accepted to OCtech.**
 Send in ALL official transcripts.
Transcripts take up to two weeks to be received and evaluated.
- **COMPLETE BIO 210 and 211 with a C or higher OR have BIO 211 in progress.** Must retake if more than 7 years old unless current LPN.
- **MUST HAVE a 2.5 cumulative GPA from the last college attended where 12 or more credit hours were completed (not including developmental or remedial courses).**
- **MEET one of the following criteria:**
 SAT: 480 in Math AND either 26 in Reading or 480 in Reading/Writing
 ACT: 19 in Reading and 17 in Math
 TEAS: 65 in both Reading and Math (within 5 years)
 Accuplacer Next-Gen: 250 in Reading and 237 in Math QAS (within 5 years)
- **HAVE a current CNA, LPN, EMT, MA, Paramedic or PCT certification/license OR certificate of completion from an accredited program within 7 years of program start date.**
Other healthcare certifications may be accepted at the discretion of the Dean of Nursing.

You must pass a national background check and drug test upon acceptance to the program and before starting classes. Clinical sites may require additional background and drug testing during the course of your enrollment. Prior criminal convictions may affect your clinical placement and eligibility for licensure.

Applicants who have had 2 or more Nursing and Health Science program attempts (withdrawal and/or failure) within 1 year of the program start date are ineligible to apply.

EARLY ACCEPTANCE

MEET all admission requirements above
HAVE a minimum score of 30 points

GUARANTEED ADMISSION

MEET all admission requirements above
COMPLETE all general education courses BIO 210, BIO 211 (both within 7 years with a B or higher unless current LPN), BIO 225, ENG 101, MAT 102 or higher, AHS 210 or BIO 240, PSY 201 and a Humanities Elective (with a minimum 2.75 calculated GPA and at least a minimum grade of C in each course.)
HAVE a minimum score of 30 points

We encourage you to apply for our Health Science and Nursing programs when you are most competitive. After being accepted as a student at OCtech, meet with an advisor for guidance on completing the competitive application process. The competitive application can be found in Self-Service under the Academics tab. Please ensure that you complete the entire application packet. Incomplete packets will be rejected, and you will be unable to resubmit your application in the same application period.

SELECTIVE RANKING SCORE SHEET

ENG 101

5 POINTS = A
3 POINTS = B
2 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C

POINTS

MAT 102/105 OR HIGHER

5 POINTS = A
3 POINTS = B
2 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C

POINTS

PSY 201

5 POINTS = A
3 POINTS = B
2 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C

POINTS

BIO 210 ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

Must retake if more than 7 years old unless current LPN.

10 POINTS = A
8 POINTS = B
6 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C
8 POINTS = E (exemption exam)

POINTS

PREVIOUS EDUCATION

10 POINTS
degree in a science or healthcare field

POINTS

5 POINTS
degree in a non-science or non-healthcare field

POINTS

5 POINTS
Pre-Nursing ADN certificate from OCtech or current LPN

MULTIPLE POINTS NOT AWARDED FOR MORE THAN ONE CREDENTIAL OR DEGREE

RESIDENCY

5 POINTS
Calhoun or Orangeburg county resident

POINTS

0 POINTS
Non-resident

TOTAL POINTS

MAXIMUM POSSIBLE SCORE = 40 Points

