



COASTAL ALABAMA

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

NURSING MOBILITY APPLICATION

LPN AND PARAMEDIC TO ADN

Dear Prospective Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Mobility program at Coastal Alabama Community College. Please read this entire packet carefully as an application that does not meet all of the requirements is rendered incomplete and will not be considered for admittance. Admittance is based on a point system; therefore, it is imperative to pay particular attention to the point system. There is no waiting list.

Information regarding Coastal Alabama's nursing programs may be found on the college website. You may list your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice for the campus you wish to make application, IF driving distance is not a deterrent. There is no transfer to other campus locations while in the nursing program except in extenuating circumstances as determined by the dean. Paramedic and LPN students will be in the Mobility classes together. Students that earned the LPN certificate within the last year are not required to take NUR 209, and will enter in NUR 211. Campus locations may vary. We are pleased that you have chosen Coastal Alabama Community College to advance your nursing career.

Sincerely,

Jean Graham

Jean D. Graham, MSN, ANP, CNOR
Dean of Nursing and Allied Health

COASTAL ALABAMA MOBILITY APPLICATION

This application is for current, Alabama or multi-state licensed LPNs and Paramedics who would like to complete the Associate Degree in Nursing. The program is offered each fall semester. Fall semester applications are accepted from APRIL 1 to JUNE 15. Choose campus(es) below. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice for campus location may be indicated IF driving distance is not a deterrent. If no campus is chosen, or if all campuses are chosen but not ranked, the applicant will be considered for the campus closest to the mailing address provided on this application. No changes are made to campus location after entry into the program.

___ Fairhope Campus ___ Thomasville Campus ___ Brewton Campus

I. PERSONAL DATA

Date: _____

Last Name: _____ First: _____ MI: ___ Maiden: _____

Coastal Alabama Student Number (A Number): _____

Mailing Address: _____ Apartment Number _____

City: _____ State: ___ Zip Code: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Home e-mail address: _____ College e-mail address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

II. EDUCATION

List all colleges attended including current college. (Add separate page as necessary)

Name of College (DO NOT ABBREVIATE)	Dates attended	Degree (if completed)

List the college from which the practical nursing certificate was obtained; month and year of graduation.

HAVE YOU BEEN ADMITTED TO A NURSING PROGRAM SINCE COMPLETION OF YOUR PRACTICAL NURSING OR PARAMEDIC PROGRAM? YES ___ NO ___

If YES, a letter from that program Dean/Director must be sent to the Bay Minette Campus Nursing Department indicating you have not been dismissed for disciplinary or unsafe practice. List the college(s), dates attended, and reason for withdrawal. A letter is required for each application submitted.

An ACT composite score of 18 or higher (writing component not required), national or residual, is required for the Mobility nursing program. The applicant’s ACT results must be attached to this application. There is no expiration date on ACT for this nursing program application. ONLY the following are accepted for ACT score:

- Official high school transcript documenting ACT score.
- Screenshot of ACT score from OneACCS account. Go to “Student Profile” then “Prior Education and Testing” (student’s full name must be included in screenshot).
- Official ACT Residual score from Coastal Alabama or other Alabama Community College in our system.
- Official ACT score from ACT.org (NOT a screenshot from the ACT website).

Your name, as listed when tested: _____

No changes may be made to the application once it is submitted. I understand that completion of this application is a component of the student profile and does not in itself grant admission to the Nursing Program. I understand a new application must be submitted if I am not selected and wish to reapply. I certify that the information given in this application is true and correct. I understand that providing false information may be deemed sufficient reason to dismiss the student and/or to refuse admission. All application materials become the property of Coastal Alabama Community College. It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the Nursing Department has received all of the requested documentation.

All information must be submitted by the appropriate deadline at the close of business or the application will be considered incomplete. It is recommended that applicants check with the Admissions Office, at (251) 580-2111, to confirm ACTIVE STATUS and confirm ALL TRANSCRIPTS are on file and up to date. Check the minimum admission standards listed on the next page before submitting your application.

Applicant’s Signature **Date**

All applications are submitted to the nursing email address below (Bay Minette Campus) regardless of the campus for which the student is applying.

Email Address for submitting applications: nursing@coastalalabama.edu

Bay Minette Campus Address: Coastal Alabama Community College
Nursing Department
1900 Hwy 31 South
Bay Minette, AL 36507

Nursing applications may be submitted on the Bay Minette campus, Tyson (T) Building, room T144.

MOBILITY NURSING APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Applications are accepted April 1 – June 15 for the Mobility Program which is administered starting each fall semester at the Bay Minette, Brewton, and Thomasville campuses. Applications must be received by the end of the business day on June 15 in order to be considered. The college closes at 1:30 pm on Fridays.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE:

Letters are mailed to applicants within 3-4 weeks of the application deadline notifying applicants whether or not they have been accepted into the nursing program.

MINIMUM ADMISSION STANDARDS:

Please check the following minimum admission standards before submitting your application.

- ___1. Unconditional admission to the college. Submit/resubmit an application to the college, if not currently enrolled in a course at Coastal AL.
- ___2. Original transcripts **from all colleges** attended must be in the registrar's office by the nursing application deadline. Unlike routine college admission, the nursing department does not allow one semester to receive transcripts. Transcripts must be sent directly from the institution's registrar to Coastal Alabama's registrar. Hand delivered or student copies of transcripts are not accepted.
- ___3. A completed nursing mobility application must be submitted to nursing@coastalalabama.edu or the Bay Minette nursing department by the appropriate deadline by the close of business.
- ___4. An ACT composite score of 18 or higher (writing component not required), national or residual, is required for the Mobility nursing program. The applicant's **ACT results must be attached to this application**. There is no expiration date on ACT for this nursing program application. ONLY the following are accepted for ACT score:
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- ___5. A minimum of 2.5 GPA is required on a 4.0 scale based on the eight nursing required academic core courses. The core college courses are English Composition I, Intermediate College Algebra, Anatomy & Physiology I, Anatomy & Physiology II, Microbiology, Human Growth & Development, Speech, and a Humanities elective (Art or Music Appreciation, Philosophy, Theater, Religion, Ethics and Society, or a foreign language).
- ___6. Prerequisite Courses:
 - MTH 100 – Intermediate College Algebra, or higher level Math
 - ENG 101 – English Composition
 - BIO 201 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I
 - BIO 202 – Human Anatomy and Physiology II
 - SPH 106 or 107 – Fundamentals of Speech
 - PSY 210 - Human Growth and Development
- ___7. A valid, unencumbered Alabama PN license (printed from ABN website) or Paramedic license is required. A multistate PN license allowing one to practice in the state of Alabama will be accepted.
- ___8. Good standing with the College; including a minimum overall cumulative GPA of 2.0 is required.
- ___9. Meet the Essential Eligibility Criteria for nursing.

POINTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO NURSING

After meeting all minimum admission requirements, applicants are rank ordered using the following point system:

- *36 points* are the maximum possible from the ACT composite score. A minimum of 18 is required. The ACT composite score and subscores for Reading, Math, Science, and English must be submitted with the nursing application. The writing component is not required. The applicant's **ACT results must be attached to this application**. There is no expiration date on ACT for this nursing program application. **ONLY** the following are accepted for ACT score:
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- *12 points* are the maximum possible for grades in English Composition I, Intermediate College Algebra, Anatomy & Physiology I, and Anatomy & Physiology II. A=3 points each, B=2 points each, C=1 point each.
- *4 points* are possible, one point each, for completion of Microbiology, Human Growth & Development, Fundamentals of Speech, and a Humanities elective (Art or Music Appreciation, Philosophy, Ethics, Religion or foreign language) with a grade of C or higher.
- *3 points* total are awarded for completion of Chemistry, Pre-Calculus, Finite Math, or Statistics with a C or higher.
- *3 points* are awarded for having completed all 8 academic core courses with a grade of “C” or higher.

A total of 58 points are possible with these selection criteria.

ACT EXAM

Please check the college’s website, click on programs, majors and departments, then nursing and choose appropriate campus for ACT residual testing dates and testing information. Bring a picture ID, #2 pencils, and a simple four function calculator for testing. Students may visit the ACT website at www.ACT.org to register for a national ACT testing date as well. National ACT scores may be sent to several colleges. Residual ACT scores are provided to Coastal Alabama Community College only. Cost of testing is \$55.00.

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES

The following is an approximation of expenses for completion of the nursing program. Keep in mind that these expenses are estimates only and may vary (immunizations, physical, etc.)

In state tuition/fees	\$5,022
Books (estimate)	\$4,300
Uniforms & Shoes	\$400
Lab Fees	\$300
Clinical Supplies	\$80
Background Screen	\$64
Drug Test	\$50
Achievement Tests	\$1,384-1914
Immunizations & Physical	\$400-700
CPR Certification	\$45
Graduation Fees	\$25
Total (approximate)	\$12,100

OTHER

Medical Insurance (If not insured)	\$250 per semester
NCLEX Fee/State Licensure (RN)	\$300
Temporary Nursing License (Optional)	\$50
Optional Nursing Pin (Optional)	\$70

Internet access and a laptop computer is required to complete the nursing program. A computer is not included in the expenses. Each student must maintain medical insurance. A medical insurance plan through a third party is available.

After accepted into the nursing program, students will be required to provide a history and physical exam, immunization records, proof of medical insurance, a drug screen, criminal background check, and current CPR certification (BLS for the Healthcare Provider through the American Heart Association. *Heartsaver, Friends and Family CPR, and CPR from the American Red Cross will not be accepted*). Proper forms will be provided once students are admitted to the program.

HIV or HEPATITIS B REPORTING POLICY

Public law #102-141, Section 633, and “The Alabama Infected Health Care Worker Management Act” require HIV or Hepatitis B infected healthcare workers to notify the State Health Officer within 30 days of the time the diagnosis is confirmed. Physicians caring for HIV or Hepatitis B infected healthcare workers are mandated to notify state health officials within 7 days of the diagnosis. All students are required to comply with this law.

NURSING MOBILITY: LPN AND PARAMEDIC TO ADN

ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSE (RN) CURRICULUM

Prerequisite Courses:

- MTH 100 – Intermediate College Algebra, or higher level Math (3 credit hours)
- ENG 101 – English Composition (3 credit hours)
- BIO 201 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credit hours)
- BIO 202 – Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4 credit hours)
- SPH 106 or 107 – Fundamentals of Speech (3 credit hours)
- PSY 210 - Human Growth and Development (3 credit hours)

NOTE: Valid, unencumbered Alabama PN license (or multistate PN license allowing one to practice in the state of Alabama) or Alabama Paramedic license is required.

First Semester

Course	Theory	Lab	Clinical	Credit	Contact
NUR 209 Concepts for Healthcare Transition	6	1	3	10	18
Total	6	1	3	10	18

Second Semester (Fourth semester in generic ADN program)

Course	Theory	Lab	Clinical	Credit	Contact
NUR 211 Advanced Nursing Concepts	4	0	3	7	13
BIO 220 Microbiology	2	2	0	4	6
Total	6	2	3	11	19

Third Semester (Fifth semester in generic ADN program)

Course	Theory	Lab	Clinical	Credit	Contact
NUR 221 Advanced Evidence Based Clinical Reasoning	3	0	4	7	15
Humanities Elective	3	0	0	3	3
Total	6	0	4	10	18

Upon successful completion of NUR 209, students will be awarded 15 hours of non-traditional credit.

LPN to RN students who completed the concept based curriculum within one academic year from start of mobility program coursework, are exempt from taking NUR 209. These students will enter the nursing mobility program at NUR 211. Campus location varies.

Progression

Students with two non-progressions in the mobility program must reapply and be accepted to start over in NUR 209, even if the student started the program in NUR 211. Students may elect to apply to the ADN program from the beginning as well.

THE ALABAMA COLLEGE SYSTEM NURSING PROGRAMS ESSENTIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The Alabama College System endorses the Americans' with Disabilities Act. In accordance with College policy, when requested, reasonable accommodations may be provided for individuals with disabilities.

Physical, cognitive, psychomotor, affective and social abilities are required in unique combinations to provide safe and effective nursing care. The applicant/student must be able to meet the Essential Eligibility Criteria with or without reasonable accommodations throughout the program of learning. Admission, progression and graduation are contingent upon one's ability to demonstrate the Essential Eligibility Criteria delineated for the nursing programs with or without reasonable accommodations. The nursing programs and/or its affiliated clinical agencies may identify additional Essential Eligibility Criteria. The nursing programs reserve the right to amend the Essential Eligibility Criteria as deemed necessary.

In order to be admitted and to progress in the nursing program one must possess a functional level of ability to perform the duties required of a nurse. Admission or progression may be denied if a student is unable to demonstrate the Essential Eligibility Criteria with or without reasonable accommodations.

The Essential Eligibility Criteria delineated are those deemed necessary the Alabama College System nursing programs. No representation regarding industrial standards is implied. Similarly, any reasonable accommodations made will be determined and applied to the respective nursing program and may vary from reasonable accommodations made by healthcare employers.

The Essential Eligibility Criteria delineated below are necessary for nursing program admission, progression and graduation and for the provision of safe and effective nursing care. The Essential Eligibility Criteria include but are not limited to the ability to:

- 1) Sensory Perception
 - a) Visual
 - i) Observe and discern subtle changes in physical conditions and the environment
 - ii) Visualize different color spectrums and color changes
 - iii) Read fine print in varying levels of light
 - iv) Read for prolonged periods of time
 - v) Read cursive writing
 - vi) Read at varying distances
 - vii) Read data/information displayed on monitors/equipment
 - b) Auditory
 - i) Interpret monitoring devices
 - ii) Distinguish muffled sounds heard through a stethoscope
 - iii) Hear and discriminate high and low frequency sounds produced by the body and the environment
 - iv) Effectively hear to communicate with others
 - c) Tactile
 - i) Discern tremors, vibrations, pulses, textures, temperature, shapes, size, location and other physical characteristics
 - d) Olfactory
 - i) Detect body odors and odors in the environment
- 2) Communication/ Interpersonal Relationships
 - a) Verbally and in writing, engage in a two-way communication and interact effectively with others, from a variety of social, emotional, cultural and intellectual backgrounds
 - b) Work effectively in groups
 - c) Work effectively independently
 - d) Discern and interpret nonverbal communication
 - e) Express one's ideas and feelings clearly
 - f) Communicate with others accurately in a timely manner
 - g) Obtain communications from a computer

3) Cognitive/Critical Thinking

- a) Effectively read, write and comprehend the English language
- b) Consistently and dependably engage in the process of critical thinking in order to formulate and implement safe and ethical nursing decisions in a variety of health care settings
- c) Demonstrate satisfactory performance on written examinations including mathematical computations without a calculator
- d) Satisfactorily achieve the program objectives Motor Function
- h) Handle small delicate equipment/objects without extraneous movement, contamination or destruction
- i) Move, position, turn, transfer, assist with lifting or lift and carry clients without injury to clients, self or others
- j) Maintain balance from any position
- k) Stand on both legs
- l) Coordinate hand/eye movements
- m) Push/pull heavy objects without injury to client, self or others
- n) Stand, bend, walk and/or sit for 6-12 hours in a clinical setting performing physical activities requiring energy without jeopardizing the safety of the client, self or others
- o) Walk without a cane, walker or crutches
- p) Function with hands free for nursing care and transporting items
- q) Transport self and client without the use of electrical devices
- r) Flex, abduct and rotate all joints freely
- s) Respond rapidly to emergency situations
- t) Maneuver in small areas
- u) Perform daily care functions for the client
- v) Coordinate fine and gross motor hand movements to provide safe effective nursing care
- w) Calibrate/use equipment
- x) Execute movement required to provide nursing care in all health care settings
- y) Perform CPR and physical assessment
- z) Operate a computer

4) Professional Behavior

- aa) Convey caring, respect, sensitivity, tact, compassion, empathy, tolerance and a healthy attitude toward others
- bb) Demonstrate a mentally healthy attitude that is age appropriate in relationship to the client
- cc) Handle multiple tasks concurrently
- dd) Perform safe, effective nursing care for clients in a caring context
- ee) Understand and follow the policies and procedures of the College and clinical agencies
- ff) Understand the consequences of violating the student code of conduct
- gg) Understand that posing a direct threat to others is unacceptable and subjects one to discipline
- hh) Meet qualifications for licensure by examination as stipulated by the Alabama Board of Nursing
- ii) Not to pose a threat to self or others
- jj) Function effectively in situations of uncertainty and stress inherent in providing nursing care
- kk) Adapt to changing environments and situations
- ll) Remain free of chemical dependency
- mm) Report promptly to clinicals and remain for 6-12 hours on the clinical unit
- nn) Provide nursing care in an appropriate time frame
- oo) Accepts responsibility, accountability, and ownership of one's actions
- pp) Seek supervision/consultation in a timely manner
- qq) Examine and modify one's own behavior when it interferes with nursing care or learning

Upon admission, an individual who discloses a disability can request reasonable accommodations. Individuals will be asked to provide documentation of the disability in order to assist with the provision of appropriate reasonable accommodations. Coastal Alabama Community College will provide reasonable accommodations, but is not required to substantially alter the requirements or nature of the program or provide accommodations that inflict an undue burden on the College. In order to be admitted one must be able to perform all of the Essential Eligibility Criteria with or without reasonable accommodations. If an individual's health changes during the program of learning, so that the Essential Eligibility Criteria cannot be met with or without reasonable accommodations, the student will be withdrawn from the nursing

program. The nursing faculty reserves the right at any time to require an additional medical examination at the student's expense in order to assist with the evaluation of the student's ability to perform the Essential Eligibility Criteria.

Requests for reasonable accommodations should be directed to: The Dean of Student Development, (251) 580-2180.

For Applicants Information:

The Alabama Board of Nursing will require applicants to answer the following questions when applying to take the licensure examination at the conclusion of a nursing program of study. Eligibility to take the examination is the decision of the ABN; graduation from an accredited school does not ensure eligibility.

1. Have you ever been arrested for, been charged with, been convicted of, entered a plea of guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere or no contest for, received deferred prosecution or adjudication for, had judgment withheld for, received pretrial diversion for, or pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity or mental defect to any crime other than a minor traffic violation in any state, territory, or country? A crime related to driving while impaired or while under the influence of any substance is not a "minor traffic violation."
2. In the past five years, have you abused alcohol, drugs (whether legal or illegal, prescribed or unauthorized), and/or other chemical substances or received treatment or been recommended for treatment for dependency to alcohol, drugs (whether legal or illegal, prescribed or unauthorized), and/or other chemical substances?
3. Have you ever been arrested or convicted for driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol?
4. In the past five years, have you had, or do you now have, a physical or mental health problem that may impair your ability to provide safe nursing care?
5. Has the licensing authority of any state, territory, or country denied, revoked, suspended, reprimanded, fined, accepted your surrender of, restricted, limited, placed on probation, or in any other way disciplined your nursing and/or any other occupational license, registration, certification, or approval?
6. Is the Board of Nursing or other licensing authority of any state, territory, or country, including but not limited to the Alabama Board of Nursing, currently investigating you?
7. Is disciplinary action pending against you with the Board of Nursing or other licensing authority of any state, territory, or country, including but not limited to the Alabama Board of Nursing?
8. Have you ever been placed on a state and/or federal abuse registry?
9. Has any branch of the armed services ever administratively discharged you with any characterization of service besides "Honorable" and/or court-martialed you?

A "yes" answer will not necessarily prevent you from eligibility but will require submission of an explanation accompanied by certified documents.

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