

Associate Degree Nursing 2-Year Program



Program Information and Application Instructions

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Gain Admission to Lee College

- ☐ U.S. CITIZENS start here:
<https://www.lee.edu/apply/>
- ☐ INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS start here:
<https://www.lee.edu/admissions/international-students/>

Apply to Nursing

- ☐ Apply at the ADN web page:
<https://www.lee.edu/nursing/application/> during the application period. See [ADN web page](#) for exact dates.
- ☐ Submit official transcripts from ALL previously attended colleges to the Lee College Admissions Office.
- ☐ Any applicant who has previously attended a nursing program must provide a letter from the program director stating the student is in good standing with the program. Letters of good standing can be sent to nursingdept@lee.edu.
- ☐ Meet Texas Success Initiative (TSI) standards
- ☐ Register to take the TEAS exam within 1 year of nursing application deadline. Minimum scores: 58.7% overall. [Order TEAS transcript](#) to be sent to nursingdept@lee.edu. Or register to take the TEAS exam at the Lee College [Testing Center](#).
- ☐ Have earned grades of "C" or better, or be currently enrolled in the following prerequisite courses, which must be completed prior to admission:
 - ENGL 1301 – Composition I
 - PSYC 2301 – General Psychology
 - PSYC 2314 – Lifespan Growth & Development
 - BIOL 2401 – Anatomy & Physiology I
 - BIOL 2402 – Anatomy & Physiology II
 - BIOL 2420 – Microbiology
 - 3-credit elective in Language, Philosophy & Culture or Creative Arts

What's Next?

Applicants will be notified of their application status via email approximately four (4) weeks after the nursing application deadline.

If Accepted?

Nursing admission is conditional, based on completing the following:

- ☐ Complete online orientation
- ☐ Complete in person New Student Orientation and uniform fitting (if applicable)
- ☐ Pass a drug screen
- ☐ Pass two background checks: one done for the Texas Board of Nursing and another done by Compio
- ☐ Submit copies of Tests, Titers, Immunization series: Tuberculosis test, Hepatitis-B, MMR, adult Tdap, Varicella, and Seasonal Influenza
- ☐ Submit copy of Driver's License
- ☐ Submit copy of current AHA BLS for Providers CPR Card
- ☐ Submit proof of health insurance

For details on each of the above steps: go to
www.lee.edu/nursing

Questions? email nursingdept@lee.edu or call
281.425.6229

Admission steps are subject to change at any time. Please go to the ADN web page for the most up-to-date information.

Congratulations on taking the exciting step to further your education and career! We're delighted that you're interested in the Lee College Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program.

To be considered for admission, please ensure you meet all admission requirements in the [Lee College Catalog](#), meet the minimum requirements to apply to the nursing program, and complete all application steps by the deadline. Note that meeting eligibility criteria does not guarantee admission, and incomplete applications cannot be considered. It is your responsibility to confirm all steps are completed on time.

PROGRAM APPLICATION TIMELINE

Program	APPLICATION PERIOD	DEADLINE	PROGRAM START
ADN & LVN-ADN Transition	Feb. 1 – May 1	May 1: 4 p.m. (CT)	Fall Semester (Aug.)
ADN	June 1 – Aug. 1	Aug. 1: 4 p.m. (CT)	Spring Semester (Jan.)

For any questions, feel free to reach out to the ADN office at nursingdept@lee.edu or 281.425.6229. Please note that email is our official method of communication.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

To track your application progress, please use the checklist on the first page of this packet. To be eligible to apply, you must meet the following minimum requirements by the nursing application deadline; otherwise, your application will not be considered:

- **GPA:** A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for Lee College courses. Courses in progress when you apply and grades posted after the deadline will not count toward your GPA.
- **ATI TEAS 7 Score:** A minimum score of 58.7% is required. Refer to the "TEAS 7 EXAM INFORMATION" section in this packet for scheduling details and instructions on submitting official TEAS transcripts.
- **Letter of Good Standing:** If applicant has attended another nursing program, a letter from the program director will need to be submitted to nursingdept@lee.edu stating the student is in good standing with the program.
- **Complete Application Steps:** Ensure all "STEPS FOR APPLYING" are completed by the deadline.

AN APPLICANT IS INELIGIBLE IF THEY:

- Have a Lee College GPA below 2.0.
- Score less than 58.7% on the TEAS 7 exam.
- Have had two program exits from Lee College within the past 5 years.
- Have been dismissed from Lee College or another Allied Health program for unprofessional or unethical behavior.

STEPS FOR APPLYING

1. APPLY TO LEE COLLEGE

- **U.S. CITIZENS:** Complete the application for admission at <https://www.applytexas.org/>. You will receive an email confirmation once you submit your application. Allow 48-72 hours for us to review and process it. Check your spam folder for this important communication if it does not reach your inbox automatically. For assistance with completing the application, or if you already completed the application and need the status, contact Recruitment or email recruiting@lee.edu.
- **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** Visit: <https://www.lee.edu/admissions/international-students/> and follow directions for the application process. For assistance with admission for international students contact Lee College International Admissions, email: chusband@lee.edu or admissions@lee.edu or contact the Admissions Office at 281.425.6393.
- If it has been over one year since your last application or attendance at Lee College, reapplication and resubmission of transcripts may be required. To confirm eligibility, please review both the college and nursing program admission criteria in the [Lee College Catalog](#), for assistance contact the Admissions Office at 281.425.6393 for further guidance.

2. COMPLETE LEE COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION

- You must be admitted to Lee College before you can apply to the ADN program.
- Visit the [Lee College Nursing Application Link](#) during the designated application period to submit your nursing application. Please **do not** submit a printed nursing application to the ADN department.
- After you have submitted your application, you will receive a "Form Successfully Submitted" email at the address provided in your application. This confirms only that your application was submitted, not that you were admitted to the program.
- Previous applicants must submit a new application to be considered for the current application period.
- Approximately 4 weeks after the application deadline, you will receive an email regarding your application status. Please ensure your email address(es) are current with the Nursing department and that emails from Lee College go to your inbox rather than your junk or spam folder.
- If you have issues or questions about the ADN application, please email the Nursing department at nursingdept@lee.edu.

3. SUBMIT OFFICIAL COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS

- All official transcripts from previously attended colleges and universities, as well as any, "in-progress," transcripts must be sent directly to the Lee College Registrar at admissions@lee.edu. **Do not** send or bring transcripts to the nursing department.
- Out-of-State or Non-Equivalent courses will need to be reviewed by Lee College Registrar or Health Services Pathways Advisor.
 - Nursing applicants with out-of-state or international transcripts must contact the Lee College's Registrar's Office to request course articulation. Course articulation determines if courses taken elsewhere will transfer to Lee College. The Registrar's office will also need to review courses taken in the state of Texas that do not directly match ADN requirements (e.g., separately taken Anatomy and Physiology or higher-level substitutions). After submitting official transcripts, email admissions@lee.edu to request ADN course articulation. If a course does not articulate, consult a Lee College advisor about possible substitutions. The deadline for articulation requests or meeting with a Pathways Advisor, if needed, is the end of the nursing application period.
- Foreign Transcripts will need to be evaluated by an approved evaluation company and submitted to the Lee College Registrar, at admissions@lee.edu. Approved agencies are listed at <https://www.naces.org/members>. **SpanTran** is our recommended international transcript evaluation service. They have created a custom application for Lee College that will make sure you select the right kind of evaluation at a discounted rate. You can access their application here: [SpanTran Application — Lee College](#).

4. MEET TEXAS SUCCESS INITIATIVE (TSI) STANDARDS

- TSI is a Texas law requiring college students to achieve minimum standards in Reading, Writing, and Math.
- At least one of your Texas college transcripts must state you have met all TSI standards.
- If you have not attended any Texas colleges, call the Lee College Admissions Office 281.425.6393 to find out how to meet TSI standards.

5. TAKE THE ATI TEAS 7 EXAM

- Complete the TEAS 7 exam and submit official scores by the application deadline (see "TEAS 7 Exam Information" section for details).
- Only the TEAS 7 exam is accepted for nursing admission; no other test may be substituted. All ADN applicants must have a TEAS 7 score of **58.7% or higher** by the application deadline, regardless of educational background or prior degrees — no exceptions.
- TEAS 7 test scores must be no more than one (1) year old by the nursing application deadline.

6. PREREQUISITE COURSES

- Applicant must have earned grades of "C" or better, or be currently enrolled in the following prerequisite courses, which must be completed prior to admission:
 - ENGL 1301 — Composition I
 - PSYC 2301 — General Psychology
 - PSYC 2314 — Lifespan Growth & Development
 - BIOL 2401 — Anatomy & Physiology I
 - BIOL 2402 — Anatomy & Physiology II
 - BIOL 2420 — Microbiology
 - 3-credit elective in Language, Philosophy & Culture, or Creative Arts

Selection for Admission: Admission is competitive. After the application deadline, applicants are ranked primarily according to grades received in the ADN prerequisite curriculum and TEAS 7 exam scores. Admission selection is based on a point system. See ADN Applicant Screening Tool for a detailed breakdown of points.

LEE COLLEGE NURSING DEPARTMENT ADN Applicant Screening Tool

NAME (PRINT) _____

Applicant Score _____

TRANSCRIPT EVALUATION						
Criteria		Yes	No	Comments		
Admission & Progression Policies						
Previous Nursing School Admission		Yes	No	If yes, must include Letters of Good Standing.		
Lee College Nursing Program Exits x2 within the past 5 years		Yes	No	If yes, applicant is disqualified.		
Lee College GPA 2.0 or higher if applicable		Yes	No	If no, applicant is disqualified.		
TSI Ready		Yes	No			
Prerequisite Courses		Grade		Points (A=5, B=3, C/IP=0)		
BIOL 2401	Anatomy & Physiology I	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
BIOL 2402	Anatomy & Physiology II	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
BIOL 2421	Microbiology	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
ENGL 1301	English Composition I	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
PSYC 2301	Introduction to Psychology	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
PSYC 2314	Life Span Growth and Development	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
HUMA	Creative Arts, Language, Philosophy or Culture Core Curriculum	A B C IP		5pts	3pts	0pts
C or Better in Prerequisite Courses		Yes	No	If no, applicant is disqualified.		
Notes: In the event that BIOL prerequisite courses have a separate lecture and lab grade, the lecture grade will be used for scoring purposes.						
ATI TEAS Exam						
Composite Score:		Score		Points		
0-59% = 0 point						
60-75% = 1 point						
75-79% = 5 points						
80-85% = 10 points						
86-90% = 15 points						
91-95% = 20 points						
96-100% = 25 points						
		Total Points (Maximum possible points = 60)				
Tie Breaker						
Tie Breaker:		Criteria		Score/Grade		
In the event of a tie, the applicants' composite TEAS Exam Score will be compared; IF a tie still exists, the second tie breaker criteria will be the applicants' Biology 2402 Grade.		(1) Composite TEAS Exam Score				
		(2) Biology 2402 Grade				
*Score/Grade are used as tie breaker only and not added to total points.						

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Admission to the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program is highly competitive, with a limited number of spaces available each semester. On average, 40 students are admitted for both the fall (August) and spring (January) semesters. Meeting the minimum application requirements does not guarantee admission, as selection is based on academic qualifications, TEAS 7 exam scores, and other eligibility criteria. Each applicant is carefully evaluated to select those most prepared for the demands of the program.

Program Requirements: After initial acceptance and as a condition for final acceptance, applicants must pass two criminal background checks and one drug screen. Applicants must submit a BON declaratory order, outcome letter, or blue card to the ADN department, including applicants who answer "Yes" to any eligibility questions on the "Background Checks" page of this packet. All applicants who are accepted must submit proof of completing all required tests and immunizations by the designated deadline (Fall admission: Aug. 1); (Spring Admission: Dec. 1). Failure to submit the required documents by the deadline will prevent registration for classes and disqualify the applicant from continuing in the program. **Further directions will be provided during the Lee College Nursing Programs New Student Orientation.**

MANDATORY HEALTH DOCUMENTATION

1. Applicants must complete a criminal background check and urine drug screen. Any positive or flagged result will be reviewed and may disqualify the applicant from admission to the program.
2. It is required that students obtain and maintain personal health insurance while in the program. Acceptable personal health insurance must meet Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC).
3. Immunizations must be current and include:
 - Tdap (within 10 years), must have the pertussis component
 - MMR vaccination series (2 vaccines)
 - Varicella vaccination series (2 vaccines)
 - Annual flu vaccine (administered during flu season)
 - Hepatitis B titer showing immunity
 - If titer is negative, non-reactive, or not immune:
 - Submit proof of having started a 3-shot vaccine series, with the first dose administered before admission. The second and third doses may still be in progress. The series must be dated after the negative titer result.
 - Submit repeat titer showing immunity dated after the 3-shot series
 - Annual negative Tuberculin Skin Test (PPD) or chest x-ray or negative QuantiFERON-TB Gold
 - **ALL IMMUNIZATION RECORDS AND TITERS MUST INCLUDE FULL NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH.**
4. Current BLS CPR (**MUST BE American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers**). Other providers such as Red Cross are NOT accepted.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Because of differences in program curricula, Lee College Nursing does not accept transfer nursing credits. Students who have previously attended another nursing program must apply to the program, meet admission requirements, and follow the program curriculum as written.

TEAS 7 EXAM INFORMATION

The TEAS 7 exam is a standardized entrance exam required for Lee College nursing programs. The exam covers four areas: reading (39 scored items), math (34 scored items), science (44 scored items), and English and language usage (33 scored items). A minimum score of 58.7% on the TEAS 7 is required for all nursing applicants regardless of educational background, there are no exceptions. No other exam scores may be used as a substitute for the TEAS 7 exam.

TEAS 7 TESTING AT LEE COLLEGE

- **COST:** The cost to take the TEAS 7 at Lee College is \$70 (subject to change without notice).
- **REGISTER:** To register for the TEAS 7 Exam at Lee College, please visit www.lee.edu/testing/teas, scroll to the bottom and click on "Registerblast." TEAS exam dates are posted at the beginning of each application period.
- **TEST DATES:** If you do not see a desired test date on the above webpage, it may be because the dates are already full or have not yet been posted. Please check back later for updated availability or contact the Testing Center at 281.425.6262 to inquire about TEAS 7 testing dates. You must complete the exam by the nursing application deadline.
- **RESULTS:** Your scores automatically will be sent to the nursing office within two days. If you test close to the application deadline, it is acceptable for your scores to arrive after the deadline. DO NOT pay to have score reports sent, as your scores automatically will be provided to the nursing department since the exam was taken at Lee College.

TEAS 7 TESTING AT REMOTE OR AN OUTSIDE LOCATION

- **COST:** The cost of the TEAS 7 is determined by each testing location and may vary. If you take the TEAS 7 at a different location, you will need to pay ATI a fee to send an official score report to the Lee College nursing department.
- **REMOTE TESTING:** Remote testing is also available proctored by ATI, for more information visit [ATI proctored TEAS Exam](http://ATI.proctored.TEAS.Exam). You will need to select ATI Remote Proctor-Nursing for TEAS-PROCTOR-PROGRAM TYPE. Official TEAS 7 transcripts must be submitted to nursingdept@lee.edu by the application deadline. You can request an official transcript at <https://www.atitesting.com/teas/transcript>.
- **RESULTS:** If you take the TEAS 7 at a location other than Lee College, we will NOT automatically receive your scores. Your official score report (TEAS transcript) must be received by the nursing office by the application deadline or it will not be accepted. Since it may take ATI a week or longer to send the report, be sure to take the exam early enough to allow sufficient time for it to arrive.
- You will need to pay a fee to have ATI email the official score report to the nursing office at nursingdept@lee.edu. For instructions on how to request a TEAS transcript, visit ATI's TEAS Transcript page <https://www.atitesting.com/teas/transcript>.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT TEAS SCORE REPORTS DIRECTLY FROM NURSING APPLICANTS

BACKGROUND CHECKS

Two background checks are required as a condition of full acceptance into the Lee College nursing program, prior to enrollment in any nursing course with a clinical component: (1) a DPS/FBI background check conducted by the Texas Board of Nursing (BON), and (2) a background check through Complio, required by clinical affiliates.

DECLARATORY ORDER: A Petition for Declaratory Order (DO) is a formal disclosure to the Board of Nursing of an eligibility issue that may prevent an applicant from taking the NCLEX and receiving initial licensure. **The DO permits the Board to make a decision regarding a petitioner's eligibility for licensure prior to entering or completing a nursing program.**

- A Petition for DO should only be submitted after receiving an outcome letter requesting it, or if you received a Blue Card, BUT have to disclose a non-CBC related eligibility issue (i.e. answering "yes" to any questions other than Question 4). Submission of a DO may require a fee.
 - You should submit the DO and \$150 fee if:
 - You submitted fingerprints as part of the New/Accepted Student Roster process & you received an outcome letter from the Board requesting the submission of the DO & \$150.
 - You should submit the DO ONLY if:
 - You submitted fingerprints as part of the New/Accepted Student Roster process & received a Blue Card, BUT have to disclose a non-CBC related eligibility issue (i.e. answering "yes" to any question other than Question 4 on the following license eligibility questions).
 - You will need to contact the Board for specific instructions on submitting the DO without the \$150 payment. Please send an email with your name, DOB, and last 4 of your SSN to webmaster@bon.texas.gov. The subject line should be DO – Payment Bypass.
- The Petition for DO must be submitted electronically via the Nurse Portal (<https://www.bon.texas.gov/texasnurseportal/>).
- If you submit a Petition, the BON will investigate your case and then send you a letter stating whether you are eligible to sit for the NCLEX licensure exam. If the BON letter says you are eligible to sit for the licensure exam, you must submit the letter to the nursing department.

If you know you have an issue that will require disclosure, you may begin gathering necessary documentation and writing a letter of explanation. However, you should wait for the outcome letter requesting the Petition for DO, or a Blue Card, IF you have to disclose a non-CBC related eligibility issue (i.e. answering "yes" to any question other than Question 4 on the following license eligibility questions).

Satisfactory criminal background check findings are determined by the licensure eligibility criteria established by the BON and standards mandated by clinical affiliates and ADN program policy.

Texas Board of Nursing (BON) Licensure Eligibility Questions

1. Have you ever had any disciplinary action on a nursing license or a privilege to practice in any state, country, or province?
2. Do you have an investigation or complaint pending on a nursing license or a privilege to practice in any state, country, or province?
3. Have you, in the last 5 years*, been addicted to and/or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?
4. For any criminal offense*, including those pending appeal, have you:
(You may only exclude Class C misdemeanor traffic violations or offenses previously disclosed to the Texas Board of Nursing on an initial or renewal application.)
 - A. been arrested and have a pending criminal charge?
 - B. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
 - C. been convicted of a felony?
 - D. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
 - E. received deferred adjudication?
 - F. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
 - G. been sentenced to serve jail, prison time, or court-ordered confinement?
 - H. been granted pre-trial diversion?
 - I. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
 - J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?

NOTE: Expunged and Sealed Offenses: While expunged or sealed offense, arrests, tickets, or citations need not be disclosed, it is your responsibility to ensure the offense, arrest, ticket or citation has, in fact, been expunged or sealed. It is recommended that you submit a copy of the Court Order expunging or sealing the record in question to our office with your application. Non-disclosure of relevant offenses raises questions related to truthfulness and character. (See 22 TAC §213.27)

NOTE: Orders of Non-Disclosure: Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code § 552.142(b), if you have criminal matters that are the subject of an order of non-disclosure you are not required to reveal those criminal matters. However, a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure may become a character and fitness issue. Pursuant to Gov't Code chapter 411, the Texas Nursing Board is entitled to access criminal history record information that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure. If the Board discovers a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure, even if you properly did not reveal that matter, the Board may require you to provide information about any conduct that raises issues of character and fitness.

5. Have you ever had any licensing (other than a nursing license) or regulatory authority in any state, jurisdiction, country, or province revoked, annulled, cancelled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew or otherwise discipline any other professional or occupational license, certificate, nurse aide registration or multistate privilege to practice that you held?
6. Are you currently suffering from any condition for which you are not being appropriately treated that impairs your judgment or that would otherwise adversely affect your ability to practice nursing in a competent, ethical, and professional manner?
7. *Are you currently the target or subject of a grand jury or governmental agency investigation?
8. *Are you currently a participant in an alternative to discipline, diversion, or a peer assistance program? (This includes all confidential programs)

NOTE: Any positive response will remain confidential and not subject to public disclosure unless required by law.

9. Have you ever been granted the authority to practice nursing in any country, state, province, or territory?

NOTE: This does not apply to any nursing license(s) issued by another US state or territory, excluding Puerto Rico. If you were licensed in Puerto Rico, you should be answering yes.

*Pursuant to the Texas Occupations Code §301.207, information, including diagnosis and treatment, regarding an individual's physical or mental condition, intemperate use of drugs or alcohol, or chemical dependency and information regarding an individual's criminal history is confidential to the same extent that information collected as part of an investigation is confidential under the Texas Occupations Code §301.466.

**LEE COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING
APPROXIMATE COST for 2-YEAR ADN PROGRAM**

Level	Total Hours	Course Fees	In-District Tuition & Other Charges	Out-of-District Tuition & Other Charges	Non-Resident Tuition & Other Charges	In-District Semester Cost	Out-of-District Semester Cost	Non-Resident Semester Cost
Level 1	9	1074.25	857	1500.5	1658	1931.25	2574.75	2732.25
Level 2	9	658.25	857	1500.5	1658	1515.25	2173.5	2316.25
Level 3	9	689.25	857	1500.5	1658	1546.25	2189.75	2347.25
Level 4	9	483.25	857	1500.5	1658	1340.25	1983.75	2141.25
TOTAL	36	2905	3428	6002	6632	6333	8907	9537

LVN-RN Transitional Program

Level	Total Hours	Course Fees	In-District Tuition & Other Charges	Out-of - District Tuition & Other Charges	Non-Resident Tuition & Other Charges	In-District Semester Cost	Out-of-District Semester Cost	Non-Resident Semester Cost
Level 1	3	899.25	374	588.5	641	1273.25	1487.75	1540.25
Level 2	9	658.25	857	1500.5	1658	1515.25	2173.5	2316.25
Level 3	9	689.25	857	1500.5	1658	1546.25	2189.75	2347.25
Level 4	9	483.25	857	1500.5	1658	1340.25	1983.75	2141.25
TOTAL	30	2730	2945	5090	5615	5675	7834.75	8345

Costs are approximate and subject to change without notice.

Costs for nursing courses only (courses starting with "RNSG"); non-nursing courses are extra

Approximate costs for required nursing texts only; optional nursing texts are extra

Lee College may change tuition rates and other fees without notice or when so directed by the Board of Regents.

Please contact the college business office if you need an exact cost listing for financial aid purposes.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **How do I get an Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) application?** There is no paper application form; you must apply online at the ADN web page: <https://www.lee.edu/nursing/application/> during a nursing application period. Please see the ADN web page for application period dates. You must be admitted to Lee College before you can apply to ADN.
2. **When does the program begin?** ADN programs begin every August & January. LVN-to-ADN Transition program begins every August.
3. **What are the requirements for admission?** Please see the ADN admission application instructions. All ADN applicants must meet minimum admission requirements for both the COLLEGE and the ADN PROGRAM to be eligible for consideration for acceptance into an ADN program.
4. **What are the prerequisite courses?** The prerequisites for both programs are BIOL-2401, BIOL-2402, BIOL-2421, ENGL-1301 and PSYC 2301, PSYC-2314, and an elective course. You may apply to a nursing program while “in progress” in prerequisites, but if you are accepted into a nursing program, you must have passing grades in all the prerequisites before the nursing program starts. Any “in progress” prerequisite courses are not counted in your GPA when ranking you against other applicants.
5. **What admission test is used for nursing?** All ADN applicants must take the ATITEAS 7 entrance exam, which is mandatory regardless of educational background — no exceptions. Acceptable TEAS 7 scores must be submitted to the nursing department by the ADN application deadline. Required minimum scores: at least a 58.7%. See the ADN application instructions for more details on the TEAS exam.
6. **How are students selected for admission?** Admission is competitive. After the application deadline, applicants are ranked primarily according to grades received in the ADN prerequisite curriculum and TEAS 7 test scores. Priority admission is given to applicants who: 1) achieve high TEAS 7 test scores; 2) have a higher passing grade in ADN prerequisite curriculum courses. Students accepted into the program usually have completed many ADN curriculum courses with an A or B grade and have TEAS 7 scores significantly higher than the required minimum scores.
7. **Will courses from other colleges transfer to the Lee College ADN program?** Courses are eligible for transfer from regionally accredited colleges and universities when content and credit hours are equivalent to the courses in the ADN curriculum. Transferred general education (non-RNSG) courses must have a grade of “C” or better. If you want to transfer courses from colleges outside the state of Texas (including foreign colleges) or you are transferring courses that are not direct equivalents to the Lee College course (for example, trying to substitute a more advanced course), you must submit a request to the Lee College Registrar’s Office for course articulation for ADN curriculum courses. If courses are not equivalent, you should meet with your advisor to see if a course substitution is possible, otherwise the out-of-state course grades or courses not directly equivalent will not count in your nursing application. If you attend Lee College and the courses have already been articulated to your Lee College transcript, further articulation by the Registrar’s Office is not needed.
8. **Can I work while I am in a nursing program?** The nursing program is very demanding in terms of time and effort. In addition to the classroom, lab, and clinical time, students should spend at least three hours of outside study time for each hour spent in class. While some students are employed during their enrollment, a full-time work schedule of 40 hours/week is difficult to maintain. Work schedules must be planned around classroom and clinical requirements and must also be flexible since lecture and clinical hours may change from semester to semester.
9. **How much does the nursing program cost?** The approximate cost for tuition, fees, required textbooks and supplies for the entire 2-year program of RNSG courses is approximately \$6,400 if you live in-district or \$8,900 if you live out of district (see cost breakdown page in the application packet). Costs for non-RNSG courses in the ADN degree are extra. Costs for the following items are also extra: tuberculosis test, immunizations & titers, health insurance, background check and drug screen. These extra costs are too variable to include in the above estimates; you will need to estimate these extra costs yourself based on your personal situation. Lee College may change tuition rates and other fees without notice or when so directed by the Board of Regents.
10. **What is the salary potential for a new graduate nurse?** Earnings vary according to location and schedule worked. Starting salaries average just over \$50,000/year.
11. **Is financial aid available?** Students can apply for scholarships, grants and loans through the Financial Aid Office 281-425-6389. Lee College Financial aid web page: <https://www.lee.edu/financialaid/>
12. **Do I need to have health insurance?** Yes - clinical sites require students to have health insurance by the end of the first semester in the program. The clinical sites do not specify the type or extent of coverage you should buy; they just require you to be covered by a health insurance policy. Not having health insurance may prevent you from attending clinicals and prevent you from progressing in the nursing program.