Grayson College Nursing





Grayson College: Who Are We?

Location

- Main Campus is located in Denison, TX and
- South Campus is located in Van Alstyne, TX
- Size
 - Approximately 4,000 students
- Atmosphere
 - Community-oriented, university-feel, pedestrian campus
- Rankings
 - #13 Top 50 Best Value Community Colleges 2020
 - #8 Texas Community Colleges By Tuition Cost
 - #20 Best Community Colleges in Texas by Salary Potential





Take the First Step to GC Nursing: Apply to Grayson College

- 1. Go to grayson.edu
- 2. Submit Apply Now application
- 3. Activate your Student Account and Review your MyDocuments tab for missing documents
- 4. Submit all Admissions Documents
- 5. Allow for processing time
- 6. Receive "Admitted" Email from Admissions Office

Contact Information

- admissions@grayson.edu
- 903-415-2596
- GC Website

During Peak Registration, processing time can take several business days. Please apply early!

Grayson College Nursing: Our Programs

- Vocational Nursing (LVN) Certificate
 - lvn@grayson.edu
- Transitional Entry (LVN-RN) Bridge Program A.A.S
 - nursing@grayson.edu
- Associate Degree Nursing (RN) A.A.S
 - nursing@grayson.edu
- Bachelor of Science Nursing (RN-BSN) Post-Licensure Program
 - rn-bsn@grayson.edu

Nursing University Transfer

- Degree option to select when applying to GC
- "Pre-Nursing" degree plan
- Allows you to take all of the academic courses needed prior to admission to a GC nursing program

Associate Degree Nursing-RN Programs

RN - Traditional Program Overview

- The program is an in-person program, 2 years in length, with a total of 4 nursing semesters. Admits twice a year.
- Courses are offered in the Fall and Spring semesters only.
- After the program concludes, students are eligible to test for the NCLEX-RN exam and attain their Registered Nurse (RN) license
- Clinical rotations are required each semester, with clinical sites located in Sherman,
 Denison, and Oklahoma.
- Clinical rotations begin mid-semester, are once a week, are usually 6am-6pm

Transitional Entry (TE) LVN-RN Program Overview

- The Associate Degree Nursing Transitional Entry (LVN-RN) program is a bridge program for LVN's to attain their RN license.
- After the program concludes, students are eligible to test for the NCLEX-RN exam and attain their Registered Nurse (RN) license
- The program is an in-person program, 1.5 years in length, with a total of 3 nursing semesters. Admits twice a year.
- Courses are offered in the Fall and Spring semesters only.
- Clinical rotations are required each semester, with clinical sites located in Sherman,
 Denison, and Oklahoma.
- Clinical rotations begin mid-semester, are once a week, are usually 6am-6pm

RN – Traditional Program Required Academic Courses

Pre-requisites

- Anatomy & Physiology I **
- Anatomy & Physiology II **
- College Algebra or Statistics

Co-requisites

- English I
- General Psychology
- Lifespan Growth & Development
- 1 Core Elective (<u>Creative Arts OR</u> <u>Language/Philosophy/Culture Core</u>)
- Microbiology **

**Sciences older than 5 years –
 to be eligible you must score over
 74.5 on A/P portion of HESI**

Traditional Program Schedule

- Nursing 1
 - Theory, lab, clinical
 - Concepts: fundamentals of nursing, medication administration, skills
- Nursing 2
 - Theory, lab, clinical
 - Concepts: med-surg disease process, women's health, operating room, skills
- Nursing 3
 - Theory, clinical
 - Concepts: more advanced med-surg disease processes, mental health concepts
- Nursing 4
 - Theory, clinical
 - Concepts: more advanced med-surg disease processes, community health, leadership/management principles

Transitional Entry LVN-RN Required Academic Courses

Pre-requisites

- Anatomy & Physiology I (within 10 years)
- Anatomy & Physiology II (within 10 years)
- College Algebra or Statistics
- English I
- General Psychology
- Lifespan Growth & Development
- Microbiology (within 10 years)

Co-requisites

 1 Core Elective (<u>Creative Arts OR</u> <u>Language/Philosophy/Culture Core</u>) **Sciences older than 10 years – to be eligible you must score over 74.5 on A/P portion of HESI**

Transitional Entry LVN-RN Program Schedule

Nursing 2

- Theory, lab, clinical
- Concepts: med-surg disease process, women's health, operating room, skills

Nursing 3

- Theory, clinical
- Concepts: more advanced med-surg disease processes, mental health concepts

Nursing 4

- Theory, clinical
- Concepts: more advanced med-surg disease processes, community health, leadership/management principles

Admission Requirements

Traditional Program

- Submission of all application documents
- Pre-requisite GPA or cumulative GPA of 2.5
- HESI A2 score at least 74.5
- Completion of pre-requisites
- Admission based on points system

Transitional Entry Program

- Submission of all application documents
- Pre-requisite GPA or cumulative GPA of 2.5
- HESI A2 score at least 74.5
- Completion of pre-requisites
- Admission based on points system

GPA Requirements

- A minimum <u>2.5 Pre-requisite or cumulative GPA</u> is required for all nursing applicants upon applying to the nursing program.
- Tradition program pre-reqs are: AP I, AP II & Math (college algebra or stats)
- Transitional program (TE LVN-RN) pre-reqs are: AP I, AP II, Micro, Math (college algebra or stats), English I, Gen Psych, Lifespan growth & development
- The Nursing Department currently calculates a pre-requisite GPA using all transcripts from all institutions.
- If the minimum prerequisite GPA is not met, a cumulative GPA will be calculated using all transcripts from all institutions for the min 2.5 GPA

HESI A2 Entrance Exam

5 REQUIRED Sections

- Reading
- Grammar
- Vocabulary
- Math
- Anatomy and Physiology

- 2 attempts in a 12-month period
- Highest Average of the 2 attempts accepted
- ❖ NOTE: HESI will change to NLN-NEX test for FALL 25 application cycle

Tips:

- Review our <u>HESI Guide</u>
- Schedule your testing appointment in a timely manner
- The Exam can be taken at any Testing Center

HESI Score	Points
89.5-100	3
79.5-89.4	2
74.5-79.4	1
<74.5	Ineligible

Point System

A competitive point system is used to determine admission into the program (see Information Packet)

- Up to 6 points for A&P I
- Up to 6 points for A&P II
- Up to 6 points for Micro
- 1 point for Math
- 1 point for ENGL 1301
- 1 point for PSYC 2301
- 1 points for PSYC 2314
- 1 point for the Core Elective
- Up to 3 points for the HESI Exam
- 2 points for Service Area Residents
- 1 point for certified CNA or PCT currently working in healthcare setting (Traditional ADN Program only)

Maximum:

29 Points (Traditional Program)
28 Points (TE Program)

Competitive applicants are in the mid-to-high twenty points range

Points are deducted for multiple attempts at the science courses

Point System – Science Courses

Science Courses Lecture & Lab Combined (Ex. BIOL 2401)

Grade	1 st Attempt	2 nd Attempt	3 rd Attempt	>3 Attempts
A	6	5	3	No points awarded
В	5	3	1	No points awarded
С	3	1	0	No points awarded

Science Courses Lecture and Lab Separate (Ex. BIOL 2301 & 2101)

Grade	1 st Attempt	2 nd Attempt	3 rd Attempt	>3 Attempts
Α	3	2.5	1.5	No points awarded
В	2.5	1.5	0.5	No points awarded
С	1.5	0.5	0	No points awarded

Application Process

 The Traditional Program and Transitional Entry (LVN-RN) require a 2-part application process:

- 1. Apply to Grayson College (see earlier slide)
- 2. Apply to the Nursing Program

 For academic advising, please apply to Grayson College and connect with your assigned Success Coach through your MyViking student account.

APPLICATION DEADLINES!!!

- Fall Admission
 - April 1st

- Spring Admission
 - August 31st

No Exceptions Will Be Given, all application documents must be received by these deadlines

While waiting to get into program consider taking BSN prerequisite courses like 2 histories, 2 English, 2 government

Apply to the Program

- Nursing applications can be found on the website
- Review application packet thoroughly
- Apply to the program!

A completed the application includes:

- 1. Completed application pages (application, verification, statement of responsibility)
- 2. Eligible HESI A2 Entrance Exam scores
- 3. Turn in All official transcripts from All colleges to admissions so that you are fully admitted or conditionally admitted to Grayson College

Must be submitted as ONE PDF to nursing@grayson.edu

After Submitting Your Application

- Check your emails regularly for updates and correspondence regarding program requirements.
- Maintain an updated file address, name change, etc.
- Applicants should not expect reminders for missing documents at any point throughout the application period, these will not be provided due to a high volume of applicants.
- Applicants must ensure any documents submitted to our office have been received before pertinent deadlines. The Nursing Department is not responsible for lost or late submissions.
- A 1-2 business day confirmation email reply is always sent to applicants after they submit documents.
- Background check process for Texas Board of Nursing will be initiated if you are selected for admission or the waitlist.

Background Check Process

- 1. Your Application is processed by the Grayson College Nursing Program
- 2. Your Information is sent to the Board of Nursing (BON)
- 3. The BON will process your information (2-4 Weeks) and decide if you need to be fingerprinted
- 4. If selected for fingerprinting IDENTOGO will send you an email for an appointment, if not, skip to step 6
- 5. After your fingerprinting appointment, your information is sent back to the BON for processing (up to 8 weeks or longer depending on record)
- 6. The BON will mail clearance documents to you for the NCLEX Exam
- 7. You must submit clearance documents to the Nursing Department to add to your file.

Admissions Decision

- Applicants will receive an email through their MyViking email account with their admissions decision
- A waiting list will be used
- Applicants on the waiting list will receive an email to their MyViking email if offered a seat on the Acceptance List
- Information regarding the waiting list (size or position on the list) will not be disclosed to applicants
- If accepted you will be required to supply BON clearance documents, immunizations, and all other required documents by specified deadline

See Information Packet and website for a list of required immunizations

TEXTBOOKS

- Do not pre-purchase used textbooks from a previous student. Our program highly utilizes the online resources from our textbooks and a used book will not come with that access
- Barnes & Noble is the college bookstore vendor
- Textbooks for nursing are not built into tuition like other academic classes
- ADN & TE books will cost approximately \$700-1000 at the start of the program.
- Financial aid can be used to purchase books

Contact Us

- General Questions
 - Email: nursing@grayson.edu
- Academic Advising Registration Courses Transfer Work
 - Contact your Success Coach

Vocational Nursing Program

Grayson College Vocational Nursing program

- Requires 42 credit hours
- Completed in 12 months.
- Meet five days a week and is considered a full time program.
- Classes begin in August, and students complete three (3) semesters and one (1) mini-mester with scheduled breaks, completing the program the next July.
- Clinical course rotations may vary to include day or evening shifts.
- Upon successful completion of the program, graduates are awarded a certificate in vocational nursing. Graduates must subsequently apply to take the NCLEX-PN exam. If successfully completed, the graduate will be issued a license to practice nursing as a licensed vocational nurse (LVN) by the Texas Board of Nursing

Courses

Pre-Requisite

- BIOL 2404 Survey of Anatomy and Physiology
- OR Anatomy and Physiology I & II with Lab component

First (Fall) Semester

- VNSG 1226 Gerontology
- VNSG 1304 Foundations of Nursing
- VNSG 1502 Applied Nursing Skills I
- VNSG 1360 LVN Clinical Training I

Second (Spring) Semester

- VNSG 1509 Nursing in Health and Illness II
- VNSG 1230 Maternal-Neonatal Nursing
- VNSG 1238 Mental Health Nursing
- VNSG 1361 LVN Clinical Training II

Second Semester (Spring) Minimester

- VNSG 1219 Leadership and Professional Development
- VNSG 1162 LVN Clinical Training III

Third (Summer) Semester

- VNSG 2510 Nursing in Health and Illness III
- VNSG 1334 Pediatrics (Hybrid)
- VNSG 1262 LVN Clinical Training IV

Application Process for LVN Program

• The VN require a 2-part application process:

- 1. Apply to Grayson College
- 2. Apply to the Nursing Program

 For academic advising, please apply to Grayson College and connect with your assigned Success Coach through your MyViking student account.

IMPORTANT DATE TO REMEMBER:

- May 31st
- Last day to submit application and required paperwork
- Submit to: <u>LVN@grayson.edu</u>

Admission Requirements

- 1. Application to Grayson College
 - Online at www.grayson.edu
- 2. Application to the VN Program
- 3. High school or GED transcripts:
 - Send official transcripts to Grayson College (to Admissions Office or your advisor)
 - Send a copy to the VN program assistant
- 4. Completion of the TSI (Texas Success Initiative) Assessment, if not taken previously
 - Testing information may be found at http://www.grayson.edu
 - Click on "Getting Started" link, then click on "Testing and Assessment"
 - This is required for all certificate programs at Grayson College
- **5. College Transcripts**
 - Send official transcripts from all other colleges to Grayson College (to Admissions Office or your advisor)

Admission Requirements (cont.)

6. Completion of HESI Admission Assessment Exam

- Cumulative score of 75% or higher is required to be considered for the VN Program
- HESI exam must be taken *no more than 5 years prior* to the start of the VN Program
- Applicants may take the HESI Admission Assessment two (2) times in a twelve (12) month period.
- Required sections: Reading, Vocabulary, Grammar and Math

7. Documentation of Anatomy and Physiology:

- Recommended course is BIOL 2404, Survey of Anatomy and Physiology.
- In lieu of BIOL 2404, the following courses may be substituted:
 - Anatomy & Physiology I & II courses with labs (suggested if you are interested in moving on to RN)
 - Documented enrollment in the summer course for BIOL 2404 or an A & P course needed to complete the requirements for A & P I & II with labs (Must subsequently be completed with C or higher grade). Please keep in mind that applicants with prerequisite grades turned in before June 10th will be considered for acceptance into the program first.
- Anatomy and Physiology courses must have been taken and completed within the past 5 years.

6. Documentation of Required Immunizations:

Documentation that you have started, completed, or will be able to complete all required immunizations
prior to the first day of class in August. Send immunizations records as they are completed.

After Submitting Your VN Application

- Check your emails regularly for updates and correspondence regarding program requirements.
- Maintain an updated file address, name change, etc.
- Applicants should not expect reminders for missing documents at any point throughout the application period, these will not be provided due to a high volume of applicants.
- Applicants must ensure any documents submitted to our office have been received before pertinent deadlines. The Nursing Department is not responsible for lost or late submissions.
- A 1-2 business day confirmation email reply is always sent to applicants after they submit documents.
- Begin background check process for Texas Board of Nursing

Background Check Process for VN Program

- 1. Your Application is processed by the Grayson College Nursing Program
- 2. Your Information is sent to the Board of Nursing (BON)
- 3. The BON will process your information (2-4 Weeks) and decide if you need to be fingerprinted
- 4. If selected for fingerprinting IDENTOGO will send you an email for an appointment, if not, skip to step 6
- 5. After your fingerprinting appointment, your information is sent back to the BON for processing (up to 8 weeks or longer depending on record)
- 6. The BON will mail clearance documents to you for the NCLEX Exam
- 7. You must submit clearance documents to the Nursing Department to add to your file.

Selection Process

Applicants with complete files will be evaluated and ranked for selection

Criteria and Points for Selection Evaluation	
Criteria	Points
Admissions Test Cumulative Score	89.6-100 = 3 points 79.6-89.5 = 2 points 74.5-79.5 = 1 point <74.5 = ineligible
Science Courses	A = 3 points
BIOL 2404 or	B = 2 points
BIOL 2401 or	C= 1 point
BIOL 2301/2101	Below a C = ineligible
Residency – GC Service Area	1 point
Employment – proof of employment as a CNA, PCT, CCMA, or graduate of GC Continuing Education Healthcare Course	1 point
	Max = 8 points

LVN - Contact Us

- General Questions
 - Email: lvn@grayson.edu
- Academic Advising Registration Courses Transfer Work
 - Contact your Success Coach

RN to BSN Program

RN-BSN Program Overview

- Post-licensure, online program
- Designed for the working RN
- 8-week term courses meet on-campus twice/term
- 16-week courses meet on campus three times/semester
- Focus is on continued development of the RN
- Accredited program
- Pay community college tuition, saving thousands of dollars
- Transition easily into graduate program with BSN

Admission Eligibility Criteria

- Completion of program application and submission of all college transcripts
- Cumulative college GPA of 2.5
- Proof of current, unencumbered licensure as a Registered Nurse

Admission Requirements/Process

- Application to Grayson College.
 (Online at <u>www.grayson.edu</u>.).
 - It is recommended that you apply to the college first to avoid any delays in registration if accepted into the nursing program.
- Completion of the Health Science
 Division Application for Admission to the RN-BSN program
 - Will be emailed an Information Packet containing required forms or you can download one from website

- Completion of the Verification
 Statement form, Credit Award Policy
 form, and the Major Change form
- College GPA (cumulative) minimum of 2.5.
 - If the cumulative GPA is less than 2.5, the applicant must submit a written request for a waiver
- Current, unencumbered license to practice as a Registered Nurse
- Must be able to meet immunization requirements and all other requirements of practicum facility, prior to completing practicum hours.

RN to BSN – Academic Courses

- BIOL 2301 A/PI
- BIOL 2101 A/P I Lab
- BIOL 2302 A/P II
- BIOL 2102 A/P II Lab
- ENGL 1301 Comp & Rhetoric I
- ENGL 1302 English 2
- MATH 1314 College Algebra or MATH 1342 College Statistics
- PSYC 2301 General Psychology
- PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth & Development
- BIOL 2320 Microbiology
- BIOL 2120 Microbiology Lab

- HIST 1301 U.S. History I
- HIST 1302 U.S. History II
- SPCH 1311 Intro to Speech
- GOVT 2305 Federal Government
- GOVT 2306 Texas Government
- SOCI 1301 Into to Sociology
- Texas Creative Arts Core
- Texas Lang/Phil/Culture Core
- Academic Elective

RN-BSN Program Courses

Fall	Spring	Summer
Issues & Trends in Nursing (NURS 3244) – 2 semester hours (may be taken prior to licensure as RN)	Community Health Nursing (NURS 4355) – 3 semester hours Community Health Nursing	Gerontological Nursing (NURS 4232) – 2 semester hours
Nursing Research (NURS 3324) – 3 semester hours (THIS MUST BE TAKEN FIRST)	Clinical (NURS 4160) – 1 semester hour	Professional Project (NURS 4454) – 4 semester hours (THIS MUST BE TAKEN IN
Health Assessment (NURS 3301) - 3	Health Promotion Across the Lifespan (NURS 4341) – 3	LASTSEMESTER)
semester hours	semester hours	Credit hours for all academic courses: 54 hours
Pathophysiology (NURS 3313) – 3 semester hours	Nursing Theory (NURS 4314) – 3 semester hours	Credit award for successful completion of RN licensure: 32 hours
Legal & Ethical Considerations in Nursing (NURS 4326) – 3 semester hours	Leadership & Management (NURS 4457) – 4 semester hours	RN-BSN program hours: 34 hours Total program credit hours – 120 hours

For Information:

Email:

RN-BSN@grayson.edu

