

REGIONALLY INCREASING BACCALAUREATE NURSES (RIBN) ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS FALL ADMISSION

MISSION STATEMENT

The RIBN program supports the mission of the North Carolina Community College System and the mission of Vance-Granville Community College (VGCC). The faculty is committed to providing accessible high-quality nursing education to meet the diverse and changing healthcare needs of the service area and to promoting the development of qualified students prepared for the professional role of registered nurse at the entry level. Students in this program are dually enrolled at VGCC and North Carolina A&T State University for a total of four years. Upon completion of Year 3, the student graduates with an Associate Degree in Nursing and meets the education requirements to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN®). Students will then continue in classes at NC A&T State University for Year 4 and will graduate with a BSN degree upon completion of the program.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Students are admitted to the RIBN program (A10300S/A45110) in accordance with policies set by VGCC and A&T. Each applicant is required to meet the minimum admission eligibility requirements as set by the College. Meeting minimum eligibility requirements does not guarantee admission into the program, only an opportunity for consideration. Completion of the VGCC RIBN program does not guarantee success in passing the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX®).

The selection process for this program includes: Application to A&T and to VGCC, PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS. **Regulations, procedures, and course requirements are subject to change as necessary and without prior notice.**

NOTE: This program is offered at the Main Campus in Henderson. Students may be required to travel to NC A&T State University in Greensboro while enrolled in the RIBN program.

PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Apply to VGCC. Designate RIBN/ADN as the desired program of study. **Deadline for application to VGCC for Fall Admission to the RIBN Program is the last business day in January.** Applicants will be placed into a Pre-Health Curriculum (Associate in General Education-General Science A10300S), until selected into the program. Student must be eligible to enroll in ENG 111 and MAT 152 without a pre-requisite or co-requisite course in order to be eligible for consideration for the RIBN program.
2. The following items are required as part of the PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS:

Requirements for NC A&T:

- A. Take the SAT or ACT. If the SAT was taken prior to March 2016, the required composite score is 930. If the SAT was taken after March 2016, the required composite score is 1010. A composite score of 20 or higher is required for the ACT.
- B. A high school unweighted GPA of 3.0 is required. In pandemic affected admission years, A&T may waive the SAT/ACT requirement and a GPA of 3.5 would be required.

Please note: Official test scores and high school transcript will be required to be sent to A&T.

Requirements for VGCC:

- A. A cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher is required for admission to the RIBN program. A grade of "C" or higher is required for all general education courses.
- B. Completion of BIO 168 and BIO 169 prior to applying to the RIBN program **with a C grade or better.** BIO course(s) required for the program must be completed within 10 years of the PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS deadline.

3. Schedule a meeting with your Academic Advisor Mrs. Waddle at waddlet@vgcc.edu or Mrs. O'Geary at ogearya@vgcc.edu
4. Schedule a meeting with the Consultation Committee for the VGCC Nursing Programs once cleared by your academic advisor.
5. The PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS deadline is the last business day in February.
6. The student will apply to North Carolina A&T State University after being notified of acceptance into the RIBN program at VGCC.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK: VGCC cautions applicants that the North Carolina Board of Nursing (NCBON) on its application form asks the following question: "Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony (excluding a minor traffic violation?" The NCBON reserves the right to refuse to grant graduates a nursing license even if the graduate passes the NCLEX-RN based on their past criminal record. If this will hinder your progression, please visit the VGCC Admissions Office for more information on alternative programs of study at VGCC.

The school of Health Sciences (SHS) strives to provide admission processes that are fair and equitable for all students who have the desire to become a healthcare professional. Additionally, we have an obligation to set our students up for programmatic success and board passage.

The new SHS admission processes for Nursing will select students based on the completion of the listed minimum requirements and on a first completion basis. If nursing is your program of choice, it is important that you begin the process now.

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