NURSING

The Associate Degree Nursing program prepares graduates to use their skill and knowledge to fulfill the role of the nurse and is supported by the works of the National League for Nursing (NLN) Education Competencies and Quality and Safety Education in Nursing (QSEN). The NLN Outcomes and Competencies for Graduates of Associate Degree Programs in Nursing which serve as goals of nursing education for entry into nursing practice are: human flourishing, nursing judgment, professional identity, and spirit of inquiry. QSEN competencies which were developed to prepare future nurses to have the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to continuously improve the quality and safety of healthcare are: patient centered care, safety, informatics, teamwork and collaboration, evidenced based practice, and quality improvement. These core components are introduced, developed and built upon through the curriculum. Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The Associate Degree Nursing curriculum is organized around a clearly defined conceptual framework and combines general education and nursing courses. The nursing courses correlate classroom and clinical instruction in a variety of community agencies.

Acceptance into the Associate Degree Nursing program is based on a selective admissions process. In order to be considered for admission, applicants must comply with college and program admission requirements.

Progression in the Associate Degree Nursing program is contingent upon achievement of a grade of "C" or better in each biological science, nursing and mathematics course and maintenance of a 2.0 cumulative grade point average or better (on a 4.0 scale). Completion of the nursing program will meet the KCTCS graduate requirement of digital literacy.

Note: The Kentucky Board of Nursing may deny a nursing graduate admission to the NCLEX-RN Exam if an individual has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony which involves acts that bear directly on the qualifications of the graduate to practice nursing.

The following Associate Degree Nursing programs are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Nursing in Education, 3390 Peachtree Rd. NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, (http://www.acenursing.org), telephone: (404) 975-5000. Please refer to individual college websites for specific accreditation information:

- Ashland Community and Technical College (https://ashland.kctcs.edu/)
- Bluegrass Community and Technical College (https://bluegrass.kctcs.edu/)
- Elizabethtown Community and Technical College (https://elizabethtown.kctcs.edu/)
- Henderson Community College (https://henderson.kctcs.edu/
- Hopkinsville Community College (https://hopkinsville.kctcs.edu/)
- Jefferson Community and Technical College (https://jefferson.kctcs.edu/)
- Madisonville Community College (https://madisonville.kctcs.edu/)
- Somerset Community College (https://somerset.kctcs.edu/)
- Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College (https://southeast.kctcs.edu/)
- West Kentucky Community and Technical College (https://westkentucky.kctcs.edu/)

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2600 Virginia Avenue, NW, The Watergate
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www.nln.org/cnea (http://www.nln.org/cnea)
telephone: (202)-909-2487:

- Owensboro Community and Technical College (https://owensboro.kctcs.edu/)

Degrees

- Nursing - AAS (https://catalog.kctcs.edu/programs-of-study/aas/nursing/nursing-aas/)
  - Nursing Modular Pathway (https://catalog.kctcs.edu/programs-of-study/aas/nursing/nursing-aas/#nursingmodularpathway)
  - Nursing Standard Pathway (https://catalog.kctcs.edu/programs-of-study/aas/nursing/nursing-aas/#nursingstandardpathway)