GENERAL ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

BIOL 2121 K Human Anatomy & Physiology I ................................................. 4 hours
BIOL 2122 K Human Anatomy & Physiology II ........................................... 4 hours
BIOL 2161 K Introductory Medical Microbiology ........................................... 4 hours
ENGL 1101 English Composition I.............................................................. 3 hours
*HIST 1000 US & Georgia History .............................................................. 3 hours
PSYC 2103 Introduction to Human Development ......................................... 3 hours
*Humanities Elective ...................................................................................... 3 hours
PCCS 1100 Freshman College Computer Study ............................................. 2 hours
COMM 1100 Human Communications ......................................................... 3 hours

One course selected from the following:
*PHED 2202 Principles of Human Nutrition ................................................... 2 hours
*AHSC 2202 Principles of Nutrition ............................................................... 2 hours

One course selected from the following:
MATH 1001 Quantitative Skills and Reasoning .............................................. 3 hours
MATH 1111 College Algebra ........................................................................... 3 hours

*If students are planning to transfer to a 4 year college at a later date to pursue a BSN, POLS 1101 and HIST 2111 or 2112 should be taken instead, and BIOL 2190 should be substituted for PHED 2202 or AHSC 2202.

*Any 3 hour humanities course is acceptable, but PHIIL 1000 is strongly recommended.

NURSING CAREER CURRICULUM

NURS 1104 Transition to Professional Nursing for Paramedics ......................... 9 hours
NURS 2204 Adult Health Nursing .................................................................... 9 hours
NURS 2203 Comprehensive Nursing ................................................................ 9 hours

To Apply:

1. Submit an application form to the Associate Degree Nursing Paramedic-RN Bridge Program (available on our Web site) and associated document as outlined on the application form.
2. Submit above documents and all sealed transcripts to: Georgia Highlands College Admissions – Hope Weaver 3175 Cadartown Hwy. Rome, GA 30161

Because of the limited spaces available in the Paramedic-RN Career Mobility Program, compliance with the above minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance to the program.

Financial Aid

General financial aid through scholarships, grants, and loans is available to all Georgia Highlands College students who qualify. In addition, students enrolled in the professional sequence of the nursing curriculum may apply for a variety of financial aid programs offered only to nursing students. Contact the Financial Aid and Veteran’s Affairs Office, (706) 295-6311.

Accreditation

● Full approval by the Georgia Board of Nursing
● Agency member of the NLN Council of Associate Degree Nursing
● Accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission
3343 Peachtree Road NE; Suite 500
Atlanta, GA 30326
Phone 404-975-5000; Fax 404-975-5020
Web site: www.nlnac.org

The statements set forth in this brochure are for informational purposes only and should not be construed as the basis of a contract between a student and this institution.

TOBACCO-FREE ENVIRONMENT

In an effort to be sensitive to the health concerns of the campus community, Georgia Highlands College is a tobacco-free environment.

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Paramedic-RN Career Mobility Program
I. Admission to Georgia Highlands College:

Submit the following materials to the Admission Office:
A. Completed Georgia Highlands College application
B. A $20.00 non-refundable Application Fee made out to GHC
C. Copy of high school transcript
D. Official Copy of transcripts from all colleges previously attended

II. Acceptance to the Nursing Program:
Submit materials that document the following requirements by March 1 to ensure consideration for acceptance:
A. Completed Paramedic-RN nursing application
B. Official copy of transcripts from all colleges previously attended
C. Verification of a current license as a paramedic with evidence of no disciplinary action
D. Practicing Paramedic will letter documenting more than 1000 hours of clinical practice in the last two years or graduation as a Paramedic within two years
E. A copy of your letter of acceptance to Georgia Highlands College if you are not currently enrolled in courses
F. Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores to a combined total of 820 on the critical reading and math sections
G. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 in the required general academic courses, and a grade of “C” or better are required in 1111, 2111K, 2111K, and 2111K, ENGL 1101 and MATH 1101 or 1111
H. A passing score on the Regents’ exam, reading and writing
I. If English is the student’s second language proof of the following achievement on the TOEFL is also required: 550 on paper-based exam, 213 on computer exam, or 80 on internet exams
J. A $20.00 non-refundable application fee made out to Georgia Highlands College

* A student who has been arrested or convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation may not be permitted to take the RN Licensure Exam. This decision rests with the Georgia Board of Nursing.

Background checks and drug screenings are required for all clinical experience by the nursing program. A student will be required to participate in these checks prior to clinical assignments. Any background checks will be at the expense of the student. A reasonable effort will be made to provide an alternative clinical experience if a student is not granted access to a site due to the results of the background check.

A student must complete the required nursing courses. A course can not be satisfactorily completed if the clinical component of the course.

**Students with a bachelor’s degree are not required to take the SAT or the Regents’ exam

An admission score is calculated based on the criteria for admission. Students should check online to determine the admission status or call the Admissions Office at 706-633-2111.

III. Required Documentation

After acceptance to the Nursing Program, before admission and registration for nursing classes, students must submit the following to the nursing Office:
A. Evidence of good health as documented by a nursing health form signed by a physician or a certified nurse practitioner. Additional health requirements must be met prior to clinical experiences in selected agencies: negative tuberculin test, (if positive TB skin test must have a chest x-ray), proof of two MMR injections or positive rubella and rubeola tests, tetanus within last 10 years, chicken pox immunity and completion of Hepatitis B vaccines. The Department of Nursing may require additional proof of physical and/or mental well being.
B. Current certification by American Heart Association in Basic Life Support (BLS)
C. Proof of health insurance coverage
D. Students must meet the following core performance standards necessary for admission and progression in the nursing program:
1. Critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical judgment
2. Interpersonal abilities sufficient for interaction with individuals, families and groups from various social, emotional, cultural and intellectual backgrounds
3. Communication abilities sufficient for verbal and written interaction
4. Physical abilities and strength sufficient for movement from room to room and in small spaces, strength to perform procedures and treatments
5. Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient for providing safe, effective nursing care
6. Auditory ability sufficient for monitoring and assessing health needs
7. Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care
8. Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment and performance of procedures
9. Evidence of completion of a background check with all components required by clinical facilities

In the event that a student is not accepted into the Nursing Program, one must reapply to be considered for acceptance the following year.