

SVCC Associate Degree Nursing 2026(for RN) & Certificate in Practical Nursing 2026 (for LPN)

1 Get started in Nursing at SVCC

1. Apply to SVCC online: southside.edu/admissions. Click "Apply Now".
2. Submit official non-VCCS College transcripts to admissions@southside.edu
3. Meet with a counselor to determine first courses, complete placement in Gen. Studies/Health Sciences or PN, complete FAFSA, enroll in classes.
4. Attend Nursing Information Session **EARLY** in pre-clinical phase. See box to right.

NURSING INFORMATION SESSION – MANDATORY!

Must complete a **CURRENT** Info Session addressing the **2025** Nursing programs. Sessions are **VIRTUAL** at: southside.edu/nursing Click your program below the Information Session Heading, and watch video. Within video: **TWO Important URLs**: at ~2 – 3 min & sign-in URL near end. Go to **both** links to complete requirement.

ADN PATHWAY

English and Math Readiness for ADN

Multiple Measures, Direct Enroll, or VPT **OR** Developmental Courses

___ Math: place out OR MDE 10
 ___ English: place out OR EDE 10 or 11
 ___ NAS 2 prior to BIO 141 OR BIO 101 or Test out

PN PATHWAY

English and Math Readiness for PN

Multiple Measures, Direct Enroll, or VPT **OR** Developmental Courses

___ Math: Place out via above OR MDE 10
 ___ English: Place out via above OR EDE 10

2 Take Gen Ed Courses

Success tip: If math skills are rusty (fractions, decimals/percents, Algebra) – taking MDE 10 even if not required could help on the TEAS and Drug Dosage

Pre-Requisite Courses: Grade of C or above in all classes

MUST be completed **OR** currently enrolled by application deadline.
 GPA > 2.5 on these prerequisites

___ SDV 100: College Success Skills (1 credit)
 ___ ENG 111: College Composition I (3 credits)
 ___ ITE 152: Intro to Dig Inf Lit (3 credits) (ITE 119, <5 yrs accepted)
 ___ BIO 141: Human Anatomy & Physiology I (w/in 10 yrs) (4 credits) see prereq above
 ___ PSY 230: Developmental Psychology (3 credits)

There are 4 more co-requisite General Education requirements. Co-requisites may also be completed prior to entering clinical program. See pg. 3 for those courses, indicated by *

ADN

General Ed* Requirements: Grade of C or above in all classes

*Not pre-reqs, may take during clinical program, if necessary

___ SDV 100: College Success Skills (1 credit)
 ___ ENG 111 OR ENG 137: (3 credits)
 ___ ITE 152: Intro to Dig Inf Lit (3 credits) (ITE 119, <5 yrs accepted)
 ___ BIO 100: Basic A&P (3 credits) (prior BIO 141/142 w/in 10 years ok)
 ___ PSY 230: Developmental Psychology (3 credits)
 ___ Humanities Elective- HUM, REL, PHI, etc. (3 credits) 200+-course #
 ___ NUR 120: Nursing Terminology (2 credits) -may sub HLT 143

Advised to finish as many as possible before clinical.
 Cumulative GPA ≥ 2.0

PN

Study, take ATI-TEAS (7) TEAS may be taken while completing pre-reqs. ~88% of test is pre-college level. ~12% covers Human A&P. Info at southside.edu/teas

We accept tests taken up to **3 years** prior to application deadline. May take up to 3 times in admission cycle and 4 times in a 12 month period. Register for test at atitesting.com.

ADN Mandatory Minimum Score – $\geq 65\%$ overall

Preferred section minimums: Math 73.5%, Reading: 73%, Science 55%, English 62.5%

PN Program Minimum Score - $\geq 53\%$ overall, $\geq 53\%$ on math

Students are responsible for submitting an official TEAS score report **ONLY IF TEST IS NOT TAKEN WITH SVCC**. Transcripts can be ordered at www.atitesting.com.

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Submit Clinical Program Application

Apply online at southside.edu/nursing. Click link for your specific program, then "Info Session/Application/Links".
See program/location-specific application windows below. Submit application **after** attending **2026-Specific Nursing Info Session**, taking **pre-requisite courses** specific to program (program-specific details below), and scoring *at least minimum scores* on **TEAS pre-entrance test**. If TEAS Test was not taken at SVCC, submit official TEAS transcript from www.atitesting.com to be sent to SVCC. **Applications submitted without completing Nursing Info Session, pre-requisites, and TEAS are not accepted.**

*Submitting an application does not guarantee admission. Per VCCS policy, applicants residing within SVCC's service area are given priority.

ADN Program-Specific Application Instructions

For All Campuses – August 2026 Start

Application available online Feb 2, 2026 – **April 15, 2026**

For Weekend, Chase City – January 2026 Start

Application available online September 15, 2025 – **October 31, 2025**

Pre-reqs complete or currently enrolled to apply: **SDV 100, ENG 111, PSY 230, ITE 152, BIO 141**
Extra points for other health-care license/certification/experience, related BS or BA degree.

PN Program-Specific Application Instructions

Alberta, August 2026

Application available online
March 2, 2026 – **May 1, 2026**

South Boston, January 2027

Application available online
June 29, 2026 – **Sept. 4, 2026**

May apply to PN before completing all Gen Ed classes.
Required Developmental courses (MDE, EDE) must be completed before applying.

LPN to RN Bridge Application Info on page 4 – Application window: January 12, 2026– February 16, 2026

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CPR Requirement for ADN, PN, and LPN-RN Bridge: American Heart Association BLS Provider – NOT REQUIRED BEFORE APPLYING

Obtain certification/documentation **by July 2026** for August-start, **November 2025** for January-starting, **April 2026** for summer-start programs

Certification options: SVCC Workforce Development course offerings, local hospitals, local EMS, www.heart.org

****There are other types of CPR out there. Make sure you take the right course!**

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Requirements AFTER acceptance into NURSING PROGRAM - Accepted candidates receive detailed info at orientation.

- ___ **Attend Mandatory Orientation Meeting**, Date/time in acceptance letter. **This meeting is IMPORTANT!** Students receive critical information on program policies, procedures, schedules, criminal background procedure, details on medical exam/immunizations, ordering of uniforms, etc.
- ___ **Health Requirement:** Medical Exam must be within a few months of start of program, details/specific instructions at Mandatory Orientation Meeting.
Do ahead: Find prior immunization records to take with you for reference when you get your physical exam.
- ___ **Criminal Background Check/Urine Drug Screen Requirement:** Information at Mandatory Orientation. **Complete ONLY after acceptance into program**
For information on background for license, visit VA Board of Nursing: <http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Nursing/ApplicantResources/CriminalBackgroundChecks/>
- ___ **Costs:** Getting started in Nursing School brings necessary costs. Plan ahead! See cost estimate in Information Packet. Also available online at:
ADN: <https://southside.edu/associate-applied-science-nursing-rn> Click "Important Links" **PN:** <https://southside.edu/certificate-practical-nursing-lpn> Click "Important Links"

2026 ADN Clinical Nursing Program Curriculum

ADN in Alberta, Keysville, South Boston - Days

FALL 2026 (August 2026)

- * __ BIO 142: Anatomy & Physiology II, within 10 years (4 credits)
- __ NSG 100: Introduction to Nursing Concepts (3 lecture, 3 lab 4 credits)
- __ NSG 106: Competencies for Nursing Practice (1 lecture, 3 lab, 2 credits)
- __ NSG 130: Professional Nursing Concepts (1 lecture, 0 lab, 1 credit)
- __ NSG 200: Health Promotion and Assessment (2 lecture, 3 lab, 3 credits)

SPRING 2027

- * __ BIO 150: Microbiology (4 credits) (Or, may be taken in Summer 2026)
- __ NSG 152: Health Care Participant (2 lecture, 3 lab, 3 credits)
- __ NSG 170: Health/Illness Concepts (4 lecture, 6 lab, 6 credits)

OPTIONAL SUMMER COURSE OPTIONS - ENG 112 / HUM elective, BSN Gen Eds

FALL 2027

- * __ ENG 112: College Composition II (3 credits)
- __ NSG 210: Health Care Concepts I (3 lecture, 6 lab, 5 credits)
- __ NSG 211: Health Care Concepts II (3 lecture, 6 lab, 5 credits)

SPRING 2028

- * __ HUM EEE: **200+** level - HUM, PHI, REL, ENG (3 credits)
- __ NSG 230: Advanced Professional Nursing Concepts (2 lecture, 0 lab, 2cr)
- __ NSG 252: Complex Health Concepts (4 lecture, 0 lab, 4 credits)
- __ NSG 270: Nursing Capstone (0 lecture, 12 lab, 4 credits)

WEEKEND PROGRAM – CHASE CITY, Spring 2026 (January 2026)

Curriculum – same Schedule – 4 semesters in a row, finishing Spring 2026
Class Sat/Sun. Clinical Fri evening, Sunday daytime, occasional Friday mornings

REQUIRED!
Grade of \geq C in all
courses, maintain
GPA \geq 2.0

2025-28 PN Clinical Nursing Program Curriculum

Practical Nursing

Alberta

Fall 2026 (August) in Alberta

- __ PNE 161: Nursing in Health Changes I (7credits- 4 lecture, 9 lab)
 - __ NUR 135: Drug Dosage Calculations (2 credits)
- If not completed before, take: ENG 111 or 137, BIO 100, SDV 100, NUR 120

Spring 2027 in Alberta

- __ PNE 162: Nursing in Health Changes II (10 credits- 6 lecture, 15 lab)
 - __ PNE 173: Pharmacology for Practical Nurses (2 credits)
- If not completed before, take PSY 230

Alberta - Summer '27 off– May take Gen Eds

Fall 2027 in Alberta

- __ PNE 163: Nursing in Health Changes III (9 credits-5 lecture, 15 lab)
 - __ PNE 145: Trends in Practical Nursing (1 credit)
- If not completed, take ITE 119, Humanities Elective (200-level course)

South Boston

Spring 2027 (January) in South Boston

Fall 2027 in South Boston

Spring 2028 in So. Boston

So. Boston- Summer '27 off– May take Gen Eds

Graduation!



After successful program completion,
to obtain license:

- Apply to Board of Nursing
- Register to take NCLEX-RN or NCLEX-PN

*General Education Courses: May be taken as indicated, but completion is **STRONGLY recommended** prior to entering the clinical nursing program.

More information at southside.edu/nursing

Contact: SVCC Student Services: student.services@southside.edu or 434-736-2022

LPN to RN Bridge

2026 Applications to be accepted January 12 – February 16, 2026

Fundamental Nursing Concepts Testing for all applicants between February and March 2026

LPNs have two options to earn their Associate Degree in Nursing at SVCC:

1. Complete the full 2-year clinical ADN Program - Recommended for LPNs who have not worked recently in acute patient care.
2. OR: LPN to RN Bridge – For LPNs with recent acute patient care experience interested in completing ADN in one year (3 semesters)

Requirements to apply to LPN to RN Bridge 2026:

1. LPN to RN Bridge is designed for qualified LPNs to complete the ADN clinical program in one year instead of two.
2. Applicants must complete all requirements to apply to the full ADN program, including:
 - a. Five prerequisites with grade of C or better: SDV 100, ENG 111, PSY 230, ITE 152 or ITE 119 (last 5 years), and BIO 141 (NAS 2 pre-req for BIO 141)
– and any developmental or science prerequisites required, as determined by SVCC counselor upon program placement
 - b. Co-requisites from 1st year ADN Clinical Program – BIO 142, BIO 150 (May be enrolled in pre- or co-requisites Spring 2026 at latest)
 - c. 2ND year co-requisites, ENG 112 and Humanities, may be taken during clinical program, but it is recommended to complete those in **advance** if possible.
 - d. Curricular GPA (on prerequisites) of 2.5 or higher
 - e. Attendance at current Nursing Information Session – (see directions to find virtual session on page 1 of this flow chart, top right)
 - f. Submission of SVCC LPN to RN Bridge program application, including a resume. Application will be on ADN page of southside.edu/nursing website under “Info Session/Application/Links” – only during the application window given above.
 - g. Submission of a letter of reference from a supervisor from current or recent position as an LPN, preferably in acute or skilled care.
 - h. All applicants must take the Level 1 RN Fundamental Concepts Test (~\$86 cost for test. Study guide available), scoring at least Level 2 proficiency. Several test dates will be available after the application deadline for students to complete this requirement. You will pick a date on your application.
3. Applicants will be notified of their admissions status to LPN to RN Bridge prior to end of the application window for full ADN program.
4. LPNs not accepted into bridge will have time to take the TEAS and apply to the full ADN program if desired.
5. Space is limited, so students should not be discouraged if not accepted, and we encourage consideration of our full ADN program as well.
6. Accepted LPN to RN Bridge program students will take **NSG 115 and NSG 200 in summer** 2026 semester, beginning late May. Class/lab will be a combined cohort of LPNs from all three Nursing Program locations (Alberta, Keysville, South Boston) meeting two days/week at the Estes Community Center in Chase City. For fall semester students will be assigned to the specific campus to which they were accepted.

Fall classes are **NSG 210 & NSG 211** and spring classes are **NSG 230, NSG 252, and NSG 270**