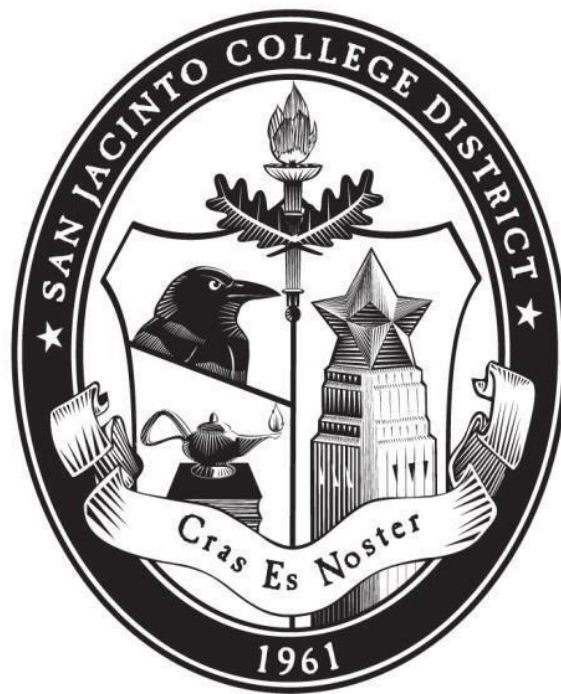


SJ SAN JACINTO
COLLEGE
LVN/Paramedic to
A.D.N. Transition



Program Information
and
Application Instructions

Admissions Information

The San Jacinto College – South Campus ADN Transition Program is a four-semester technical program designed specifically for currently Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN) and i e se Paramedics. Upon successful program completion, students earn an Associates in Applied Science in Associate Degree Nursing and earn the eligibility to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) for Registered Nurses. The program curriculum includes a combination of face-to-face classes, simulation and lab skills, and clinical experiences in a variety of healthcare and hospital settings throughout the Houston metropolitan area.

The Texas High Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) approves the ADN Transition program. The program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and regulated by the BON. The following information is for a technical program, subject to change at any time.

Texas Board of Nursing (BON) Web: www.bon.state.tx.us Phone: (512) 305-7400

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) Web: www.acenursing.org Phone: (404) 975-5000

First Steps to Apply:

Applying to the LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program requires two separate application processes.

If you are not a current SJC student, you must submit an application for the semester intended at **ApplyTexas** ([see link](#)).

After receiving acceptance, you will be given a one-time Student ID #, also called a G# number. **If you are a current SJC student, please make sure all grades have been updated on an official transcript and skip the next few steps, go to ADN Transition Program Requirements, on page 3.**

You will then need to submit an application to the LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program, see website for online application. The following information assists you in completing the steps to apply for admission to San Jacinto College and the LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program. It is your responsibility to make sure that the steps are followed accordingly and that the Admissions and ADN Transition Nursing office receives the appropriate paperwork.

San Jacinto College Requirements:

1) **Apply online with ApplyTexas at https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c_start.WBX**

San Jacinto College application steps: <https://www.sanjac.edu/admissions-aid/steps-enroll>

All prospective students must be admitted to San Jacinto College before being eligible to apply for the ADN Transition program and have a current application for the upcoming application semester.

Please note: Admission to SJC does not guarantee admission into the ADN Transition program.

Submit official transcripts to any campus of San Jacinto College Admissions Department

Official Transcripts: Applicants must submit a copy of ALL previous and current official college transcripts.

It is the applicant's responsibility to update transcripts with Admissions and the ADN Nursing office after completion of any pre-requisite course transferred.

Foreign Transcripts: Applicants that have attended educational institutions outside of the United States must submit an evaluation of all previous high school and/or college education. An approved SJC evaluation site will evaluate all submitted documents. A list of approved evaluation sites may be obtained from Admissions.

Pre-requisite Courses:

If San Jacinto College accepts the courses taken at another institution as credit earned, the nursing department will accept the course as transfer credit, excluding RNSG courses. If the academic course credit earned by a student at another institution is not accepted, a Course Substitution will need to be approved by appeal with the Department Chair. Course Substitution requests are not an automatic guarantee that the course will be accepted as credit.

CLEP Credits are not accepted.

PRE-REQUISITE COURSES	CREDIT HOURS
PSYC 2301 General Psychology	3
PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development	3
ENGL 1301 Composition I	3
ENGL 1302 Comp II, or ENGL 2311 Busi & Tech Writing	3
MATH 1314 College Algebra, or see below for approved list*	3
BIOL 2301 Human Anatomy & Physiology I (Lecture)	3
BIOL 2101 Human Anatomy & Physiology I (Lab)	1
Previously: BIOL 2401 Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 2302 Human Anatomy & Physiology II (Lecture)	3
BIOL 2102 Human Anatomy & Physiology II (Lab)	1
Previously: BIOL 2402 Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIOL 2320 Microbiology for Health Sciences (Lecture)	3
BIOL 2120 Microbiology for Health Sciences (Lab)	1
Previously: BIOL 2420 Microbiology	4
Creative/Fine Arts, see below for approved list*	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	30

* MATH 1316, 1324, 1325, 1342, 2318, 2320, 2412, 2413 or 2414 (Except MATH 1332)

** ARTS 13xx or 23xx, including ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304, DANC 2303, DRAM 1310, 2366, or MUSI 1306, 1307, and 1310

LVN/Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Transition
San Jacinto College – South
Plan of Study - Spring

First Term

Rubric/Course Title	Credit Hours	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Contact Hours
RNSG 1215 Health Assessment	2	1	3	0	64
RNSG 1327 Transition to Professional Nursing	3	2	2	0	64
RNSG 1301 Pharmacology	3	3	0	0	48
Total	8	6	5	0	176

Second Term

Rubric/Course Title	Credit Hours	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Contact Hours
RNSG 1341 Common Concepts of Adult Health	3	3	0	0	48
RNSG 1261 Clinical: Common Concepts of Adult Health	2	0	0	6	96
Total	5	3	0	6	144

Third Term

Rubric/Course Title	Credit Hours	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Contact Hours
RNSG 2201 Care of Children and Families	2	1	2	0	48
RNSG 2262 Clinical: Care of Children and Families	2	0	0	6	96
RNSG 2208 Maternal/OB	2	1	2	0	48
RNSG 2260 Clinical: Maternal/OB	2	0	0	6	96
Total	8	2	4	12	288

Fourth Term

Rubric/Course Title	Credit Hours	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Contact Hours
RNSG 2371 Advanced Nurs Practice & Management	3	2	2	0	64
RNSG 2163 Clinical: Advanced Nursing Practice & Management	1	0	0	6	96
RNSG 2213 Mental Health Nursing	2	1	2	0	48
RNSG 2261 Clinical: Mental Health Nursing	2	0	0	6	96
RNSG 2130 Prof Nrsg Review & Licensure Prep*	1	0	3	0	48
Total	9	3	7	12	352
Program Totals	30	14	16	30	960

* RNSG 2130 Professional Nursing Review/Licensure course is the capstone course and must be the last course taken.

HESI A2 ENTRANCE EXAM

The San Jacinto College South Campus LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program requires the HESI A2 Entrance Exam for all applicants, including Paramedics.

This exam is a 4 hour comprehensive exam designed to be used as an exam for currently Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses and Licensed Paramedics seeking entrance seeking entrance into an Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program.

The exam identifies strengths and weaknesses in LPN/VN content areas, and the possible need for areas of continued focus and subjects that may need intentional remediation prior to acceptance to an ADN program.

- The test items are normed on LPN/LVNs currently in clinical practice, measuring competencies across the following content areas: Grammar, Math, Vocabulary, Reading Comprehension, Anatomy and Physiology.
- Limit of one test per semester at San Jacinto College South Campus, minimum score of 75% cumulative.
- You may take the test at another school, as we will accept Score Reports from other schools.
- HESI Exams must be completed in advance to submit your score report with your application.

Approximate cost: \$ 46-50. For updates, see website at www.sanjac.edu/adn-transition

Core Performance Standards for Successful Program Progression

Applicants admitted into the SJC ADN Transition Program are expected to perform the minimum, but not limited to, common nursing technical standards and essential functions. Students must be able to apply the knowledge and skills necessary to function in a variety of classroom, lab and/or clinical situations while providing the essential competencies of the ADN program.

Please review the technical standards and essential functions below required for program admission and progression.

ISSUE	STANDARD	EXAMPLES (not inclusive)
Critical Thinking	Critical thinking sufficient for clinical reasoning and judgment.	Independent decision- making which results in competent client assessment, accurate data analysis and problem identification, appropriate treatment plans and interventions, evaluation of client outcomes.
Interpersonal Abilities	Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.	Therapeutic interactions with clients and their families stressed by illness, death, life situations, and cultural differences.
Communication	Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal and written form.	Accurate interpretation of verbal and/or written instructions, communication of patient responses, documentation of therapeutic procedures, health education, professional consultation with other health care providers.
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, walk in hallways, maneuver in small spaces, and lift patients as needed.	Ability to ambulate to and from departments and patient rooms, to care for all assigned clients, to assist in patient transport, to administer CPR.
Motor Skills	Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care.	Performance of vital signs and psychomotor nursing skills, calibration and use equipment, physical assessment.

Core Performance Standards Cont.

Hearing	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs.	Auscultation of BP, breath sounds, heart sounds, bowel sounds, ability to hear alarms, emergency signals, call bells, phones, cries for help; ability to converse with patients, family, and staff
Visual	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care.	Reading patient charts/flow sheet/monitors, preparation and administration of medications, assessment of patient skin color, reading thermometers.
Tactile	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment and to provide nursing intervention.	Performance of palpation, administration of injections, initiation of IVs and other therapeutic interventions
Strength/Stamina	Sufficient stamina to provide care and related responsibilities for extended periods of time (8-12 hours)	Ability to perform shift work, lift 25 pounds from standing position, ability to bend, position, and lift

Successful applicants possess qualities such as:

- **Interest and aptitude for math and science**
- **Strong motivation to learn**
- **Well-developed study skills**
- **Good problem-solving and decision-making skills**
- **Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds**
- **Focused attention to detail**
- **Patience, perseverance, and professionalism**

Texas Administrative Code Rule 213.27(a)

“Good professional character is the integrated pattern of personal, academic and occupational behaviors which, in the judgment of the Board, indicates that an individual is able to consistently conform his or her conduct to the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, the Board's rules and regulations, and generally accepted standards of nursing practice including, but not limited to, behaviors indicating honesty, accountability, trustworthiness, reliability, and integrity.” Prospective students must demonstrate good professional characteristics to be eligible for program admission and licensure with the Texas BON.

**Note: Effective January 1, 1996, a person who has been convicted of a felony may be disqualified for obtaining licensure as a Registered Nurse. If you have ANY questions regarding past incidents, call the Texas BON at (512) 305- 7400. Since August 2004, a criminal background check and/or drug screen has been conducted by a designated investigative agency at the expense of the student. Effective January 8 2008 the background check must be completed before registering for classes and only those applicants with a clear background will be eligible to register.

Eligibility Questions

Texas Board of Nursing(BON)

Web: www.bon.state.tx.us

Phone: (512) 305-7400

Your application to our program subjects you to allow The Texas Board of Nurse Examiners to randomly select any applicant to an additional required background check, including an additional cost for fingerprinting, performed by IDENTOGO.

For any criminal offense, including those pending appeal, have you:

- A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
 - B. been convicted of a felony?
 - C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
 - D. received deferred adjudication?
 - E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
 - F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
 - G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
 - H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
 - I. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
 - J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?
- (You may only exclude Class C misdemeanor traffic violations.)

NOTE: Expunged and Sealed Offenses: While expunged or sealed offenses, arrests, tickets, or citations need not be disclosed, it is your responsibility to ensure the offense, arrest, ticket or citation has, in fact, been expunged or sealed. It is recommended that you submit a copy of the Court Order expunging or sealing the record in question to our office with your application. Failure to reveal an offense, arrest, ticket, or citation that is not in fact expunged or sealed may subject your license to a disciplinary order and/or fine. Non-disclosure of relevant offenses raises questions related to truthfulness and character. (See 22 TAC §213.27)

NOTE: Orders of Non-Disclosure: Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code § 552.142(b), if you have criminal matters that are the subject of an order of non-disclosure you are not required to reveal those criminal matters on this form. However, a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure may become a character and fitness issue. Pursuant to the Gov't Code chapter 411, the Texas Nursing Board is entitled to access criminal history record information that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure. If the Board discovers a criminal matter that is the subject of an order of non-disclosure, even if you properly did not reveal that matter, the Board may require you to provide information about any conduct that raises issues of character and fitness.

1) Are you currently the target or subject of a grand jury or governmental agency investigation?

2) Has any licensing authority ever refused to issue you a license or ever revoked, annulled, canceled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew a professional license, certificate or multi-state privilege held by you now or previously, or ever fined, censured, reprimanded or otherwise disciplined you?

*3) Within the past five (5) years have you been addicted to and/or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?

*4) Within the past five (5) years have you been diagnosed with, treated, or hospitalized for schizophrenia and/or psychotic disorder, bipolar disorder, paranoid personality disorder, antisocial personality disorder, or borderline personality disorder?

*Pursuant to the Occupations Code §301.207, information, including diagnosis and treatment, regarding an individual's physical or mental condition, intemperate use of drugs or alcohol, or chemical dependency and information regarding an individual's criminal history is confidential to the same extent that information collected as part of an investigation is confidential under the Texas Occupations Code §301.466. If you are licensed as an LVN in the State of Texas and are currently participating in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses you may have exceptions reviewed by the Texas Board of Nursing regarding these circumstances.

Immunization Requirements

You must have documents to provide clinical clearance, as your records will be submitted for review by a Medical Review Officer of CastleBranch, Medical Document Management Systems and our Clinical Coordinator of Education.

CastleBranch is a required purchase upon acceptance, and will track documents, background clearance and drug screens. The Blue Card and physical exam is only required once you are accepted into the program. That information comes later in the process.

This costs approximately \$65 and will require you to upload and manage your immunizations, proof of licensure, CPR certification, and background clearance. The student is responsible for keeping all records current during each level, prior to beginning each semester. Failure to do so may be cause for dismissal.

Once you have been accepted into the program, you will be given instructions with a code for our program on how to set up your CastleBranch account and drug screen.

Accounts may be transferred for graduates of San Jacinto College's Vocational Nursing programs.

Please note: Drug screen results showing a dilute negative will not be valid and another drug screen will be required, and an additional payment of \$27.00 will be due to CastleBranch until clear.

Immunizations/Titers Only

Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR)

- Positive antibody titers for all 3 components or 2 doses (2nd dose administered 30 days following 1st dose) before final titer.
- Must provide dated proof in lab report or physician's verification.

Varicella (Chicken Pox)

- Positive antibody titer, or 2 doses (2nd dose administered 30 days following 1st dose)
- Must provide dated proof in lab report or physician's verification. History of the disease is not accepted.

Hepatitis B

- Positive antibody titers after receiving immunization of the series. Series must be completed prior to clinical rotations.
- Must provide dated proof in lab report or physician's verification.

Hepatitis C **NEW REQUIREMENT FOR SPRING 2022 AND FORWARD**

- Negative screening required.
- Must provide dated proof in lab report or physician's verification.

Must Provide Proof of Innoculation:

TB Skin Test

There must be documentation of one of the following:

- TB skin test within the last 12 months
- or -
- Chest X-Ray results within the last 2 years

Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis (TD/Tdap)

There must be documentation of TDap or a Td booster within the past 10 years.

Influenza

There must be documentation of one of the following:

- Flu shot administered during the current flu season
- or -
- Declination waiver from a physician's office. WE DO NOT provide the waiver.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		Totals:
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	4 Terms
Spring 2023 - Spring 2024	Spring '23	Summer '23	Fall '23	Spring '23	4 Semesters
Total Weeks:	16	10	16	16	58 Weeks
Semester Schedule:	Jan 2023 to May 2023	June 2023 to August 2023	TBA	TBA	Estimated Dates
Credit Hours:	8	5	8	9	30 Credit Hours
Projected Estimated Cost by Vendor*:					
Tuition - Based on Out of District (\$135/Cred. Hr.)	\$1,080.00	\$675.00	\$1080.00	\$1,215.00	\$4,050.00
Textbooks* by SJC Bookstore	\$970.00	\$285.00	\$475.00	\$290.00	\$2,020.00
School Supplies* (Not provided by program)	\$100.00		\$100.00		\$200.00
Uniforms by Career Uniforms	\$400.00				\$400.00
ATI Testing fees by SJC Bookstore	\$677.50	\$677.50	\$677.50	\$677.50	\$2,710.00
ADN Nurse Pack - SJC Bookstore*	\$210.00				\$210.00
CPR/Licensure Recertification/Immunizations*		\$100.00		\$100.00	\$200.00
Pearson-Vue NCLEX-RN Exam fee				\$200.00	\$200.00
TBON Application fee				\$125.00	\$125.00
Graduation Pin & Supplies*				\$150.00	\$150.00
Jurisprudence Exam				\$15.00	\$15.00
TOTALS:	\$3,437.50	\$2,142.50	\$1,927.50	\$2,772.50	\$10,280.00
*Facilities may require N95 masks to be purchased at student's expense, see clinical instructor.					
*Costs are estimates only	Cumulative projected total:				\$10,280.00

ADN Transition Admission Requirements

Application Documents:

- Complete the online only ADN Transition Admission Application at www.sanjac.edu/adn-transition
- Current licensure as a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN/LPN) or Licensed Paramedic in Texas
- Current CPR certification - BLS and/or ACLS (American Heart Association only, see www.Heart.org)
- Proof of honorable discharge from the military (copy of DD-214 required), if applicable
- HESI A2 Entrance Exam score (See website for more information regarding virtually proctored exam)
- Copies of current official transcripts from any institutions attended sent to Admissions
 - Prerequisite courses require a final grade of "C" or greater for eligibility
 - SJCD unofficial transcripts are accepted
- Minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 for all combined college coursework.
- Application submission is not a guarantee of acceptance; however, all applicants will be formally notified.
- Please see *Admission Application Information Packet* on our website for additional information on clinical requirements, estimated costs, clinical document tracking system, vaccinations, and immunizations, etc.
- If accepted, the applicant must attend a mandatory student orientation.

Academic Prerequisites:

- **ENGL 1301** Composition I
- **ENGL 1302** Composition II or **ENGL 2311** Business and Technical Writing
- **PSYC 2301** Introduction to Psychology
- **PSYC 2314** Psychology: Lifespan, Growth, and Development
- **ARTS 13XX** or **23XX** Fine Arts or Creative Arts (Also accepted: **DANC 2303**, **DRAM 1310**, **2366**, or **MUSI 1306**, **1307**, or **1310**)
- **MATH 1314** College Algebra (Also accepted: **MATH 1316**, **1324**, **1325**, **1342**, **2318**, **2320**, **2412**, **2413**, or **2414**; Exception: **MATH 1332** is not equivalent)
- **BIOL 2401** Human Anatomy & Physiology I or **BIOL 2301** Human Anatomy & Physiology I (Lecture) and **BIOL 2101** Human Anatomy & Physiology I (Lab)
- **BIOL 2402** Human Anatomy & Physiology II or **BIOL 2302** Human Anatomy & Physiology II (Lecture) and **BIOL 2102** Human Anatomy & Physiology II (Lab)
- **BIOL 2420** Microbiology for Health Sciences or **BIOL 2320** Microbiology (Lecture) and **BIOL 2120** Microbiology for Health Sciences (Lab)
 - ❖ Contingent acceptance may be considered with up to two (2) pre-requisite courses pending.
 - ❖ **Refresher** courses and credits by exam, such as **CLEP**, are not accepted.
 - ❖ RNSG courses must be completed within the cohort. Transferred RNSG courses are not accepted.

The Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)/Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Transition Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree is a technical program designed to advance skills, earn academic credit, and gain eligibility to sit/or the NCLEX-RNC". Requirements are subject to change in accordance with the policies and procedures of San Jacinto College District, and in meeting standards set by the Texas Board of Nursing and the Accreditation Commission/or Education in Nursing.

ADN Transition Admission Scoring Rubric

<i>THE MINIMUM SCORE REQUIRED TO APPLY IS 5. THE MAXIMUM SCORE POSSIBLE IS 29.</i>				
1. PRE-REQUISITE GRADES: (the biology points required -lecture grade only)			A=3 B=2 C=1 IP=0	
Course			Grades	Points
a. ENGL 1301	Semester/Year	School	A B C IP	
b. BIOL 2301AND BIOL 2101OR BIOL 2401	Semester Year	School	A B C IP	
c. BIOL 2302 AND. BIOL 2102 OR BIOL 2402	Semester/Year	School	A B C IP	
d. BIOL 2320 AND BIOL 2120 OR 2420 Or BIOL 2321and 2121or 2421	Semester/Year	School	A B C IP	
2. REPEATED PRE-REQ BIOLOGY COURSES: Any science course older than 5 years will not count as pre-requisites towards this application.				
Any Biology pre-requisites repeated due to a "D" or "F" grade, subtract 2 points. (maximum of 2 points)			-2	
3. REPEATED FAILED NURSING COURSES: Students who have 2 or more failures in any nursing course				
<i>If you have 2 or more failures in any nursing course, you are not eligible to apply to the nursing program until 2 years (after the most recent failure) have passed.</i>				
If you repeated any Nursing Course due to a "D" or "F" grade, subtract 2 points. (maximum of 2 points)			-2	
4. HESI EXAM: Cumulative (Overall) Score: _____				
Composite Score				
75- 79%- 0 point				
80-85%- 2points				
86-90%- 3 points				
91- 95%- 4 points				
96 -100% - 5 points				
5. Overall Cumulative GPA: For all colleges/universities attended: _____				
<i>if more than one school was attended - acceptance committee will calculate your GPA.</i>				
2.50- 2.79 -1 point				
2.80- 3.00 - 2 points				
3.01- 3.39 - 3 points				
3.40- 3.50 - 4 points				
3.51- 4.00 - 5 points				
6. Academic Success: Points are awarded based on the number of withdrawals or course failures for any course. (Grades of D, F, and/or W, or I)				
0 courses - 5 points		2 courses - 3 points		4 or more courses - 0 points
1 course - 4 points		3 courses - 2 points		
7. Veterans: May receive an additional two (2) points.				
Must include DD-214 showing an Honorable Discharge for consideration.				
Total Points:				

Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission into the Associate Degree Nursing Program.

Max count cannot exceed 29 points