Program Information

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Application Instructions
San Jacinto College – South  
ADN Transition Program  
Admissions Information

The San Jacinto College – South Associates Degree in Nursing (ADN) Transition Program for Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) and Paramedics is a one academic year program. Upon successful program completion, students earn an associate’s degree in nursing and may sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN). The program curriculum includes a combination of class lectures, simulation and clinical experience in a variety of healthcare 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.

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

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

How To Apply

Applying to the LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program requires two application processes. You must first apply and be accepted to San Jacinto College, then you may submit an application to the LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program for review by the ADN Transition Admissions Committee.

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](https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c_start.WBX) to complete the San Jacinto College application to the Admissions, formerly Enrollment Services. See [https://www.sanjac.edu/](https://www.sanjac.edu/). All prospective students must be admitted to San Jacinto College before being eligible to apply for the ADN Transition program.

   Please note: Admission to SJC does not guarantee admission into the ADN Transition program. The admissions committee will meet each fall and spring application periods to review applicants.

2) Submit official transcripts to any campus of San Jacinto College Admissions offices

College Transcripts: Applicants must submit ALL previous and current official college transcripts. After SJC processes your transcripts into your account. You may request a photocopy of official transcripts from the EPCC/Counseling office, with the Transcript Specialist, which will be required with ADN Transition application. The nursing department needs a separate copy submitted in your packet. It is the applicant’s responsibility to update transcripts with Admissions and the ADN Nursing office.

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 Office.
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 2008 the background check must be completed before registering for classes and only those applicants with a clear background will be eligible to register.**

Requirements for admission into the ADN Transition program

- License/Certification
  - State of Texas Licensed Vocational Nurse or Licensed Paramedic in good standing
  - Provide a copy of your current Vocational Nursing License OR Paramedic License
  - CPR Certification – BLS Provider or BLS Healthcare Provider through American Heart Association [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org) or call 1-800-242-8721
  - ACLS Certification – Paramedics must provide proof of this certification
- Have not failed out of a registered nursing program within 1 year of the application deadline
- Successful completion of SCIENCE courses with a grade of “C” or better within 5 years of the first day of class, if admitted into the ADN Transition program. No refresher courses. NO EXCEPTIONS.
  - **Example: Semester applying = Spring 2020**
    - _______ 5 years
    - Spring 2015 – any classes taken before this semester are expired
- Successful completion of all pre-requisite courses with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.6
  - See page 4 for a list of the Pre-requisite courses.
- Cumulative course work from all college transcripts with minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5
- Successful completion of all sections on the HESI Admissions Assessment Exam, no minimum score
- See page 6 for HESI information

**FAQ's regarding Program Information**
Non-mandatory information sessions are available prior to application periods to answer questions.
  - Dates can be found at [www.sanjac.edu/adn-transition](http://www.sanjac.edu/adn-transition)
  - Hosted in S-1 Allied Health Sciences Bldg. 13735 Beamer Rd. Houston, TX 77089

Application Submission

Applications will be accepted in the ADN Transition office located in room S-1.253b, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays only from 9:00am – 11:00am and 2:00pm – 4:00pm during the application period. If you need to come outside of the available times, please email [adn.transition@sjcd.edu](mailto:adn.transition@sjcd.edu) to schedule an appointment. Please allow 48 hours advance notice when emailing to confirm scheduling an appointment. All required documents MUST be submitted as a complete packet to the ADN Transition program office in the application period specified. You must submit copies of immunizations, titers, current licensure, and CPR certification. The ADN Transition department will not make copies or print applications for you.
The application is posted online at http://www.sanjac.edu/adn-transition. Please type in the fillable pdf to complete the application. If you have any problems downloading here are some possible solutions:
- Change browsers you may have one that is not compatible.
- You may also use the student computers labs on campus to type and print your application.

**INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Pre-requisite Courses

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TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 30

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

Proof of Pre-Requisite Completion

CLEP Credits are not accepted.

To show proof that you have completed all of the required pre-requisite courses you must include a printed copy of your San Jac GPS report (see instructions) in your application packet. If San Jacinto College accepts the courses taken at another institution as credit earned, the nursing department will accept the course as credit. If the course credit earned by a student at another institution is not accepted, a Course Substitution may be submitted to the Department Chair of the course subject in question. (Ex. Math courses will be reviewed by the Math department) Submission of a Course Substitution request is not a guarantee that the course will be accepted as credit.
It is the applicant’s responsibility to request the process be completed, meet department requirements, and follow up with the Department Chair. Credit will only be applied once student is accepted into our program, and major code updated to reflect student's new LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition degree plan.

Once accepted as credit, it will show on the GPS report (instructions listed below) as complete. It must show complete on the GPS Report before the nursing department will give you credit for the course in compliance prior to graduation. For more information on My San Jac GPS and course substitution please go to the site below.


**Degree Evaluation Instructions**

**MY SAN JAC GPS**

You can complete My San Jac GPS online in your SOS account by following the steps below.

**STEPS TO PRINT A MY SAN JAC GPS ONLINE:**

Step 1: Go to the San Jacinto College website at www.sjcd.edu. In the top right hand corner, there is a login for SOS. Enter your User ID & PIN. Click *Login*.

Step 2: Click on *My Student Records, Registration, Financial Aid and Orientation*.

Step 3: Click on *My Student Records*.

Step 4: Click on *Perform Degree Evaluations – My San Jac GPS*.

Step 5: Click on *What If* under the worksheets tab.

Step 6: Select *Associates of Applied Science* from the *Degree* drop down.

Step 7: Select *2019-2020* from the *Catalog Year* drop down.

Step 8: Select *Nrsg-LVN-RN Transition AAS* or *Nrsg-Paramedic-RN Transtn AAS* from the *Major* drop down.

Step 9: Click the *Process What-If* button near the top of the screen. This process may take a few minutes to generate the request.

Step 9: Requirements that are still needed will be marked “Not Complete.” Requirements that have been fulfilled will be marked “Complete.”

**Note: All pre-requisite courses should be marked as “Complete”**

Step 10: Click *Print* on the top right corner. Submit copy in application packet.
HESI Entrance Exams

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

The San Jacinto College South Campus LVN/Paramedic to ADN Transition program has replaced the HESI A2 ENTRANCE EXAM to the HESI MOBILITY ENTRANCE EXAM based on your current licensure:

HESI LPN-ADN Mobility ENTRANCE EXAM for Licensed Vocational Nurses

This exam is a 75-item comprehensive exam designed to be used as an exam for currently Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses seeking entrance into an Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program. The exam identifies their strengths and weaknesses in LPN/VN content areas, and the possible need for remediation prior to entrance into an ADN program.

- Test items are normed on LPN/VNs currently in clinical practice.
- Measures competencies across LPN/VN content areas.
- Approximately 2 1/2 hours
- Approximate cost $56 (prices subject to change)
- Contact Elsevier directly for details about this exam

HESI EMS-ADN Mobility ENTRANCE EXAM for Licensed Paramedics

This exam is a 50-item exam designed to be used as an exam for Paramedics or EMTs seeking entrance into an ADN program. The exam identifies their strengths and weaknesses in ADN content areas and the possible need for remediation prior to entrance into an ADN program.

- Test items are normed on the EMS-ADN population.
- Measures competencies across basic nursing content areas.
- Approximately 1 1/4 hours
- Approximate cost $37 (prices subject to change)
- Contact Elsevier directly for details about this exam

How to register for the HESI Exam

We will assist you with registration at any Information Session or when you are ready to test, please email adn.transition@sjcd.edu (Subject line: HESI EXAM) to specify test and register for the next available date. Please see website at sanjac.edu/adn-transition for current dates.

- Approximately two days before the exam you will receive registration and payment instructions. To guarantee your seat for the exam please register and pay upon receiving the payment instructions.

- HESI Exams must be completed prior to submission of your ADN Transition application. Applicants need to create an Evolve account prior to exam registration and payment. Go to www.evolve.elsevier.com. Save the username and password, you will need this to log in and take the exam. Admitted students will use the same Evolve login information for all ADN Transition program HESI exams.

The Day of the Exam

- Please provide photo identification.
- Please know your Evolve username and password. You will need it to log in and test.
- Please allow at least 2.5 hours to complete the HESI Entrance Exam.
- Applicants are not allowed entrance into the testing room once the exam has started. Therefore, late attendees will need to register and pay again. No exceptions.
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.

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<td>Critical thinking sufficient for clinical reasoning and judgment.</td>
<td>Independent decision-making which results in competent client assessment, accurate data analysis and problem identification, appropriate treatment plans and interventions, evaluation of client outcomes.</td>
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<td>Interpersonal Abilities</td>
<td>Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.</td>
<td>Therapeutic interactions with clients and their families stressed by illness, death, life situations, and cultural differences.</td>
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<td>Communication</td>
<td>Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal and written form.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>Mobility</td>
<td>Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, walk in hallways, maneuver in small spaces, and lift patients as needed.</td>
<td>Ability to ambulate to and from departments and patient rooms, to care for all assigned clients, to assist in patient transport, to administer CPR.</td>
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<td>Motor Skills</td>
<td>Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care.</td>
<td>Performance of vital signs and psychomotor nursing skills, calibration and use equipment, physical assessment.</td>
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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
Eligibility Questions

Texas Board of Nursing (BON)
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Phone: (512) 305-7400

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

A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
B. been convicted of a felony?
C. pled no contest, 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

Copies of immunization documents are required at the time of application.

Please do not include originals, as your records indicate clearance to the Texas Board of Nursing, and are subject to review. The purchase of a document tracking system that follows you through the entire course of the program is required after acceptance into the program. The Castlebranch system, including drug screen is approximately $60 and requires you to upload and manage your immunizations, proof of licensure, CPR certification status, background clearance. The Clinical Liaison will have access, however you are responsible for keeping all records current during each level. Once you have been accepted into the program, you will be given instructions on how to set up your Castlebranch account and drug screen.

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.

Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR) TITER (blood draw showing proof of immunity)

- Positive antibody titers for all 3 components (lab reports or physician verification of results required)

Varicella (Chicken Pox) TITER (blood draw showing proof of immunity)

There must be documentation of one of the following; history of the disease is not accepted:

- Positive antibody titer (lab report or physician verification of results required)

Hepatitis B TITER (blood draw showing proof of immunity)

There must be documentation of the following:

- Positive antibody titer (lab report or physician verification of results required)

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 (Tdap)

There must be documentation of a Tdap 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.
Curriculum Chart Professional Nursing Education Program Fall 2019 and Forward

Name of Program/School: San Jacinto College – South Campus
Type of Program: LVN/Paramedic to Associate Degree Nursing Transition

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*RNSG 2130 Professional Nursing Review and Licensure course is the capstone course. It must be the last course taken in the program.*
## ADN Transition Cost Breakdown - Fall 2019

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### First Semester:
- Tuition (effective Fall 2019 for 13 credit hrs) HESI: $1,014.00
- Testing Fees (Bookstore Package) Textbooks: $222.35
- Supplies: $970.00
- Uniforms: $400.00
- Nurse Pack: $150.00

First Semester Total: $2,856.35

### Second Semester:
- Tuition (effective Fall 2019 for 8 credit hrs): $624.00
- HESI Testing Fees (Bookstore Package): $243.35
- Certifications & Immunizations: $100.00
- Supplies: $400.00
- Textbooks: $475.00

Second Semester Total: $1,542.35

### Third Semester:
- Tuition (effective Fall 2019 for 9 credit hrs): $702.00
- Certifications & Immunizations Textbooks: $100.00
- Pearson-Vue NCLEX Fee: $290.00
- TBON NCLEX Application Fee: $200.00
- Jurisprudence: $125.00
- Graduation Pinning Ceremony & Supplies: $150.00

Third Semester Total: $1,582.00

Grand Total for All Semesters: $5,980.70

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