

# ARC Nursing Prescreening Criteria & Application Checklist

Spring 2024

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

|  | Criteria  | Circle Points                                      | Required Supporting Documents   |
|--|---|--|---|
| <b>1. Previous Academic Degrees - MAXIMUM 5 POINTS</b>   |   |  |   |
| Required   | AA/AS degree or higher <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No   | <b>5</b>   | <p><b>Unofficial transcript must be submitted in the application packet.</b> Official transcript from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities, outside of Los Rios Community College District, with degree posted must be submitted to ARC Admissions &amp; Records (Do not duplicate if transcript showing degree is on file at ARC A/R). DEGREE IN PROGRESS NOT ACCEPTED.</p> <p><b>STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE AA/AS DEGREE OR HIGHER MUST PROVIDE <u>PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION OR EQUIVALENT</u>.</b> Unofficial High School transcript required. (Title 16, Division 14, Article 1, Section 1412 California Code of Regulation). Copy of high school diploma not acceptable.</p> <p><b>Foreign High School &amp; College Graduates:</b> All transcripts from outside the U.S. must be evaluated by a <a href="#">NACES</a> approved independent agency.</p> |
| <b>2. Grade Point Average - Science - MAXIMUM 30 POINTS</b>  |   |  |   |
| Required   | <p><b>Minimum 3.0</b> GPA in Anatomy, Physiology, &amp; Microbiology (BIOL 430, BIOL 431 and BIOL 440 or BIOL 442)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> GPA = 3.30 - 4.00 (30)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> GPA = 3.00 - 3.29 (15)</p>  | <p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>15</b></p>                  | <p>Application must include all college transcripts documenting completion of prerequisite courses as follows:</p> <p><b>Unofficial</b> transcripts submitted in the application packet from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities and/or foreign evaluated transcripts including Los Rios.</p> <p><b>Official</b> transcripts only from schools outside the Los Rios Community College must be submitted to Admissions &amp; Records electronically or by mail. <i>Do not duplicate if transcripts showing prerequisites are on file with ARC A&amp;R.</i></p>   |
| <b>3. Grade Point Average - Non-Science - MAXIMUM 15 POINTS</b>  |   |  |   |
| Required   | <p><b>Minimum 2.5</b> Non-science GPA in English, Nutrition, Psychology (ENGWR 300, NUTRI 300, and PSYC 300)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> GPA = 3.50 - 4.00 (15)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> GPA = 3.00 - 3.49 (10)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> GPA = 2.50 - 2.99 (5)</p>   | <p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>5</b></p>  | <p>All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better and final grades must be posted on a transcript. Coursework <b>in progress</b> is <b>NOT</b> accepted. Plus/minus (+/-) grades not considered when calculating prerequisite GPAs.</p> <p>Courses not listed on the <a href="#">ARC Nursing Program Articulation Grid</a> found on the Nursing Program website <b>must be approved</b> prior to submission. Please see ARC counseling for assistance: 916-484-8577</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>****ACT NOW! Course approval may take up to 2 months!</b></p>   |
| <b>4. ATI TEAS (Version 7) – MAXIMUM 30 POINTS</b> <span style="float: right;"><a href="#">(See Assessment Testing (TEAS) Information Required for Nursing Program)</a></span> |   |  |   |
| Required   | <p>American River College utilizes the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). The minimum adjusted individual score required for application is 62%.</p> <p>TEAS Score:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> 92.0 - 100 (30)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> 80.0 – 91.9 (20)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> 62.0 – 79.9 (10)</p> <p style="color: red;"><b>&lt; 62.0 – Not Qualified: Needs to Remediate</b></p> | <p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>20</b></p> <p><b>10</b></p> | <p>Students are required to take Version 7 of "Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)" developed by the Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI). A minimum passing composite score of 62% is required for entry into the ARC Nursing program.</p> <p>Students who score less than 62% will be required to remediate prior to retesting. Students who wish to improve their score (original score greater than 62%) may also remediate and retest. See the "<a href="#">TEAS Guidelines &amp; Remediation/Retest Approval Request</a>" for information related to remediation and retesting.</p> <p>A print out of the TEAS test is required in the application packet. <a href="#">Click here for an example of the correct version.</a></p> <p>Electronic transfer of TEAS score will be required upon acceptance.</p>   |

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| <b>5. Relevant Health Care Certification – MAXIMUM 5 POINTS</b>  |  |               |  |
| Optional   | Currently licensed LVN, Paramedic, Respiratory Therapist, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Physical Therapy Assistant, Certified CNA, EMT, Psych Technician, Medical Assistant, Veterinary Technician<br><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No | 5             | Copy of license or certificate with license number, date of issue, and date of expiration. Items listed are examples only and not an exhaustive list of certifications/licenses that MAY be accepted. The admissions committee will make the final determination of acceptance of work experience.<br><br>Credit for volunteer work is not accepted. |
| <b>6. Life Experiences or Special Circumstances – All Applicants will receive 5 POINTS in this category</b>  |  |               |  |
|  | Disabilities<br>Low family income<br>First generation to attend college<br>Need to work<br>Disadvantaged social or educational environment<br>Difficult personal or family situation/environment<br>Refugee status   | 5             | No documentation is required.  |
| <b>7. Veteran Status – MAXIMUM 5 POINTS</b>  |  |               |  |
| Optional   | Veteran Status or eligible spouse status<br><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No   | 5             | Submit copy of Defense Form DD-214 Honorable Discharge or alternate documentation per <a href="#">Veterans and Eligible Spouses</a>  |
| <b>8. Language Proficiency – MAXIMUM 5 POINTS</b>  |  |               |  |
| Optional   | Proficiency in a language other than English<br><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No   | 5             | Submit <a href="#">ARC Language Proficiency Verification form</a>  |
|  | <b>TOTAL POINTS</b><br><b>Maximum Total Points (100)</b>   | _____         | Total Your Circled Points for ADN Program Prescreening Criteria 1 through 8.<br>Submit this prescreening criteria form and cover page from the online application with your packet.  |
| <p><b><u>Selection Process:</u></b> Each incoming class will be randomly selected from candidates who have <b>70</b> points or more.<br/>           Students with less than 70 points are not eligible to apply.</p> <p><b>For more information regarding this form or the application, go to the <a href="#">ARC Nursing Website</a>.</b></p> |  |               |  |



AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE  
Nursing Program  
APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID W \_\_\_\_\_

Students **MUST include** the following items in the application packet. Applications missing **required** documents will not be considered. Applications missing documents for **optional** criteria will not receive points for the criteria.

**NURSING APPLICATION PACKET MUST INCLUDE:**

- I. **Application Checklist** (completed and signed) **AND**
- II. ARC ADN Program Enrollment **Prescreening Criteria** form (completed) **AND**
- III. **Cover Page** from the online application **AND**
- IV. **Required Supporting** documents (Choose one of the options from each category):
  1.  Proof of high school completion or AA degree. Choose either **a** or **b** below. *Students with an AA/AS degree do not need to provide proof of high school completion.*
    - a) Proof of high school graduation or equivalent (one of the following)-no points awarded:
      - Unofficial copy of high school transcript with graduation date highlighted. ***Copy of diploma is not acceptable***
      - GED Scores -- **unofficial** transcript with **"Pass"** notation highlighted
      - CHSPE Certificate of Proficiency Exam
    - OR -
    - b) Proof of AA/AS degree or higher (5 points awarded):
      - Transcript with AA/AS or higher degree posted/awarded\*
      - Transcripts from outside the U.S. must be evaluated by a NACES or AICE member company\*
  2.  Proof of 3.0 cumulative GPA in the Sciences (Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology)\*+
  3.  Proof of 2.5 cumulative GPA in the Non-Sciences (English, Psychology, Nutrition)\*+

+ Plus/minus (+/-) grades not considered when calculating prerequisite GPAs

\***Unofficial** transcripts showing your prerequisites, corequisites, and/or degree **must be in** the application packet for **ALL colleges**, including Los Rios District: college name must be visible, student's name listed, prerequisites and degree highlighted. ***List of grades will not be accepted.***

\***Official** transcripts must be submitted to **ARC Admissions and Records** only for prerequisite courses and degree completed outside of Los Rios District. Electronic submission accepted. If ARC Admissions and Records office has the transcripts **documenting** nursing **prerequisites/degree** on file, no need to resubmit.

\*\*Courses **NOT** listed on the "ARC Nursing Program Articulation Grid" must be evaluated by ARC counseling. Call (916) 484-8577 for an appointment. **ACT NOW!**  
Course approval may take up to 2 months!

\*\*If your course requires a petition, a copy of the approved petition must be submitted in your application packet.

\*\*\*Students using AP scores to meet prerequisite requirements must:

- 1) Request for AP Score to be sent directly to American River College
- 2) Submit a copy of the score in the application packet

4.  TEAS Test scores – **Version 7 required** - (62% composite minimum score)\*\*

\*\*Submit a **hard copy** of TEAS test scores. If you repeated the TEAS test within 365 days, you must also submit an "Remediation/Retest Approval Request" form with your application. *Refer to the ATI TEAS Guidelines for more information.*

*Note:* Electronic transfer of your TEAS scores will be required upon acceptance.

**V. OPTIONAL Supporting Documents:**

5.  Copy of Relevant Healthcare Certification/License
- Volunteer work does not qualify for this category.
6.  Documentation of Life Experiences/Special Circumstances
- No support document required. Every applicant will be awarded 5 points.
7.  Proof of Veteran Status/Eligible Spouse
- Veterans – Form DD214, Member 4 copy indicating Honorable Discharge from Active Duty
  - Eligible Spouses – See [Veterans and Eligible Spouse document](#) on the Nursing website for document options.
8.  Language Proficiency Verification
- [ARC Language Proficiency Verification](#) form completed and signed by a community member, not a relative.

**Selection Process:** Each incoming class will be randomly selected from candidates who have 70 points or more on the Prescreening Criteria form. Students with less than 70 points are not eligible to apply.

**Questions?** Send us an email at [ARC Nursing Application@losrios.edu](mailto:ARC Nursing Application@losrios.edu)

**To my knowledge, my application has 70 total points or higher. I have included complete and accurate documentation in the nursing application packet. I understand, if any of the required documentation is missing or is not complete as listed above, my application will not be considered for admission into the Nursing Program.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_