Overview
Registered Nurses (RN) are responsible for gathering information about patients using communication, physical assessment, and analytical skills; administering medications; performing invasive and non-invasive procedures; communicating with patients and their family members, peers, and other health care professionals in an effective manner; and teaching patients and their families to promote or restore health. Nurses must respect the rights and dignity of individuals and display exceptional interpersonal skills, sensitivity, and tact with ill, injured, and suffering patients. Nurses must assume a commitment to patient care and the responsibility of life-long learning.

Accreditation/Approval
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
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Alabama Board of Nursing (ABN)
P.O. Box 303900
Montgomery, AL. 36130-3900
1-800-656-5318
www.abn.alabama.gov

Degree Earned
Associate in Applied Science

Length of Program
4 Semesters (45 semester hours - 14 semester hours of prerequisite course work is required for admission).

Credentials Earned
Registered Nurse following successful passage of the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX)

Curriculum
Prerequisites (must be completed prior to application with a grade of C or higher):
- BIO 201 Anatomy & Physiology I 4
- BIO 202 Anatomy & Physiology II 4
- ENG 101 English Composition I 3
- MTH 100 Intermediate College Algebra or higher level math 3

Course Semester I
- NUR 200 Mobility 5
16 additional hours of nursing credit are awarded following successful completion of NUR 200.

Semester II
- BIO 220 Microbiology* 4
- PSY 200 General Psychology 3
- NUR 201 Nursing Through the Lifespan I 5

Semester III
- PSY 210 Growth and Development 3
- SPH 107 Fundamentals of Public Speaking (or SPH 106) 3
- NUR 202 Nursing Through the Lifespan II 6

Semester IV
- HUM 100 Humanities Elective 3
- NUR 203 Nursing Through the Lifespan III 6
- NUR 204 Transition Into Nursing Practice 4

Total Credit Hours 72
(Hours include prerequisite courses and additional credits awarded for completion of NUR 200.)

* BIO 103 is a prerequisite to BIO 201 and 220 if taken at SUSCC.

Admissions
Opelika Campus
Classes are admitted one time per year,
Fall Semester.
Deadline for applications is March 1st.

Admission Requirements
Notice: Admission requirements and procedures may change without prior notice. Please check with Health Sciences Division and/or website for updates.

In addition to the general admission requirements of the College, application to the LPN to Associate Degree Nursing program requires:

2. an unencumbered or non-restricted license as a Practical Nurse in Alabama
3. unconditional admission to SUSCC.
4. 2.5 grade point average (gpa) calculated on last 24 semester credit hours of completed coursework and clear academic status.
5. minimum 2.0 gpa at Southern Union if previously enrolled. Transfer students must enter the College on clear status.
6. official transcripts in Records Office from all postsecondary institutions attended; beginning Fall 2014, all new students and transfers are required to have high school transcript in Records office.
7. official score on ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) version V. See TEAS information at www.suscc.edu.
8. completion of prerequisite general education courses with a minimum grade of “C”. See listing under Curriculum.
9. submission of application for the LPN to ADN Mobility option.

Meeting minimal requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

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For more information, please refer to the College Catalog and Student Handbook, or visit the website at www.suscc.edu.