

**Spring 2026**

# Advancement Guide for First Degree-Seeking Applicant

Traditional BSN

Accelerated BSN

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**COMPLETE APPLICATION MATERIALS DUE BY:**

**September 1, 2025 by 11:59 p.m.**

When the deadline falls on a weekend or a university holiday, the deadline will be 11:59 p.m. on the next business day.

Late applications are accepted and reviewed on a space-available basis.

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## Introduction and Overview

This advancement guide provides information for first-degree seeking students applying to the prelicensure clinical nursing programs starting in spring 2026 at Arizona State University's Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation. First-degree applicants are those who are pursuing their first bachelor's degree and will not have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution when the clinical nursing program begins. First-degree applicants may apply to the Traditional BSN and the Accelerated BSN. Applicants should review this document to understand the steps and requirements for each program.

### **Traditional BSN Prelicensure Clinical Nursing Program**

The traditional program is a full-time four-semester program requiring a total of 63 credit hours. Students complete 15-16 credit hours per semester, including theory, lab and clinical rotations. Applicants are considered via direct admission or the competitive application process.

### **Accelerated BSN Prelicensure Clinical Nursing Program**

The accelerated program is a 12-month, full-time program requiring a total of 50 credit hours over three consecutive terms (fall, spring, summer), including theory, lab and clinical rotations. Applicants are considered via direct admission or the competitive application process.

Students are encouraged to treat participation in either program as equivalent to the demands of full-time employment. Students are in lectures/didactic one to three days per week (will vary by program and semester), clinical at least one day per week, and simulation/experiential at least one day per week.

### **Lectures / Didactic**

Students in the Traditional BSN and Accelerated BSN programs will be assigned to take nursing courses at one of the ASU locations including [Downtown Phoenix](#), [Polytechnic](#) or [West Valley](#). (Students selected for the Downtown Phoenix cohort may have courses on the [ASU Downtown Phoenix campus](#) or the [ASU Health Futures Center](#), depending on the semester.)

### **Simulation / Experiential**

Simulation experiences will occur at the two [Grace Center for Innovation in Nursing Education](#) locations ([Health Futures Center](#) or [Downtown Phoenix - Mercado](#)). Simulation may also take place in a mobile simulation unit. Simulation locations may change each semester. Students in a BSN program can expect to be in simulation approximately one day per week.

### **Clinical**

Edson College utilizes a [Clinical Teams Model](#) to advance nursing education. There are many settings in which nursing students gain experience — hospitals, nursing homes, public health and community agencies, private homes, school settings, correctional institutions, and clinics. Clinical and experiential learning experiences are essential elements of the prelicensure nursing curriculum designed to equip nursing students with practical nursing skills and competencies. Attendance is mandatory for all clinical experiences.

Clinical experiences occur approximately once per week. Students will be placed at various organizations throughout the greater metropolitan Phoenix area. Clinical experiences may occur on weekdays or weekends. Hours may include daytime, evenings, or nights (overnights). Typically, students complete nursing practice in 12-hour shifts, including shift report-in and report-off; students should plan to be on-site for approximately 13 hours. Students can expect their clinical schedules to vary each semester and even within semesters.

Because clinical placement is not determined until each semester begins, faculty or staff cannot inform students of their clinical schedule in advance. Final availability of nursing practice experiences is determined by the clinical agency and is subject to change. Therefore, flexibility is required due to the limited number of clinical sites available for student learning experiences.

### **Transportation**

Students are responsible for providing their own transportation to classes, clinical locations, and experiential/simulation. Public transportation and utilization of the ASU intercampus shuttles may not be possible due to facility locations and the start and end times of required experiences.

Following successful completion of either clinical nursing program, a student will earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation prepares graduates for excellence upon entering the workplace. Since certification and licensure requirements vary by profession and state, we recommend visiting [Professional Licensure](#) to determine the requirements of individual state licensures or national certifications.

The following cohorts are available spring 2026:

Clinical Program	Start Date	Program Length	Location
Traditional BSN	January 12, 2026	24 months (Academic Year)	Downtown Phoenix, Polytechnic, West Valley
Accelerated BSN	January 12, 2026	12 months (Year Round)	Downtown Phoenix

## Program Options

### Traditional BSN

Students earn advancement into the Traditional BSN either through direct admission or the competitive application process. Students directly admitted to the nursing major must meet specific standards each semester to maintain guaranteed advancement into the Traditional BSN. The remaining spaces not filled by direct admission students are earned through the competitive application process. There is no guarantee that there will be remaining spaces available through the competitive process.

### Accelerated BSN

First bachelor's degree-seeking applicants may be considered for the Accelerated BSN through either the direct admission or the competitive application process; however, postbaccalaureate applicants are given priority in the placement process. Therefore, first-degree applicants should also consider the Traditional BSN.

Undergraduate students who will complete their first bachelor's degree by December 2025 should apply to the Accelerated BSN as a [postbaccalaureate applicant](#).

## Phoenix Children's Team Opportunity

As part of an alliance between Phoenix Children's and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation at ASU, there is a team opportunity for students interested in pediatric nursing.

The Phoenix Children's teams in both the Traditional BSN and Accelerated BSN at each campus will complete the prelicensure nursing curriculum at ASU while participating in clinical hours at Phoenix Children's. Each semester of the program, students will have experiences and instruction in pediatrics. The purpose of this cohort is to prepare undergraduate nursing students to excel in the field of pediatric nursing.

In addition to applying for advancement, interested students must submit the spring 2026 Phoenix Children's Team Application to be considered for the Phoenix Children's team opportunity. The team application will be included in the advancement notifications. Selection is competitive, holistic and placement is not determined by advancement score.

Advanced applicants should only apply for the Phoenix Children's team if they are interested in pediatric nursing.

## Prerequisites and Course Requirements

Prerequisite Courses Included in Prerequisite GPA (C or higher is required)
BIO 201 Human Anatomy and Physiology I/Lab (4)*
BIO 202 Human Anatomy and Physiology II/Lab (4)*
CDE 232 Human Development or PSY 341 Developmental Psychology (3)
CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry/Lab (4)*
HCR 210 Ethics for the Health Care Professional (3)
HCR 220 Intro to Health Professions and the U.S. Health Care System (3)
HCR 230 Culture & Health (3)
HCR 240 Human Pathophysiology (4)*
MIC 205 + MIC 206 Microbiology with Lab (4)*
NTR 241 Human Nutrition (3)
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)
Statistics (3)
Additional Courses Required for Advancement (C or higher required; Not Included in Prerequisite GPA)
ENG 101 First-Year Composition (3)
ENG 102 First-Year Composition (3)
College Math or higher (MA or MATH) (3)
Additional General Studies (see below for details)

### ASU General Studies

- Traditional BSN - Students must complete all [university general studies](#) and the first year composition requirement before the Traditional BSN program begins – excluding:
  - Maroon General Studies: both Literacy (L) and the upper-division Humanities/Social Behavioral Science (an upper division HU is included in the program).
  - OR**
  - Gold General Studies: one HUAD.
- Accelerated BSN - Students must complete all [university general studies](#) and the first year composition requirement before the Accelerated BSN program begins – excluding:
  - Maroon General Studies: one upper-division Literacy (L) and the upper-division Humanities/Social Behavioral Science (an upper division HU is included in the program).
  - OR**
  - Gold General Studies: one HUAD.

### Minimum Credit Requirements

- Traditional BSN - Students must complete a minimum of 57 credit hours before the program begins.
- Accelerated BSN - Students must complete a minimum of 70 credit hours before the program begins.

### Transfer Coursework

All transfer coursework must be evaluated and approved by the [Transfer Guide](#) before the advancement application deadline. If a transfer course is not deemed equivalent, students are expected to meet with an Edson College advisor **before** the advancement deadline to discuss additional options (a petition for substitution might be possible).

### Course Repeat Policy and Options to Improve Grades in Prerequisite Courses

Per university policy, students may not repeat an undergraduate course for credit when a grade of “C” or higher is earned. However, there may be options to improve your grades and/or GPA for advancement purposes by re-enrolling in a prerequisite course or replacing the prerequisite with another approved course. Review the following document and speak with an Edson College student services team member about your options: [Options to Improve Grades in Prerequisite Courses](#)

### Science Course Expiration

Science courses marked with an asterisk (\*) in the chart above – including BIO 201, BIO 202, CHM 101, MIC 205 + MIC 206, and HCR 240 – must have been taken within 7 years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will start (i.e., spring 2019 or thereafter). Please speak with an Edson College advisor about expired lab science course options.

## Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

### TEAS Overview

All **competitive applicants** are required to take the TEAS exam and have official, passing scores on file with the Edson College by the advancement deadline to be considered for the priority deadline. The TEAS measures essential skills in reading, mathematics, science, and English language and usage.

While **direct admission students** are not required to take the TEAS, Edson College highly recommends that all applicants take the exam. Opting to complete the exam may provide a safeguard if a student is concerned about meeting [Continuing Eligibility Criteria](#) by the end of fall 2025.

- If a student loses direct admission and opts to take the TEAS by the advancement deadline, they can be considered a competitive applicant using the [Advancement Score Calculation](#). If the calculated advancement score is higher than the lowest score advanced for the cycle, the student may retain their space. If the calculated advancement score is not higher than the lowest score advanced, however, the student will forfeit their space.
- If a student loses direct admission and did not submit a passing score on the TEAS by the advancement deadline, their seat will be forfeited.

### Requirement

- Minimum score accepted is 58.7%
- Scores are valid for two years.
- Applicants are allowed multiple attempts at the TEAS, but attempts must be at least 14 days apart. The highest, valid score will be considered.

### Registering for the TEAS

Students can take the TEAS through ASU or through ATI (outside of ASU). Instructions for each are below.

- **Register to take the TEAS through ASU**  
Applications are encouraged to reserve a test date as reservations fill quickly, and seats are limited. In-person and remote testing options are available.
  1. Registration and information regarding cost, format, requirements, special accommodations, parking and more can be found through the [University Office of Evaluation and Educational Effectiveness](#) website.
  2. Before arriving to take the exam, students need to create an account with [ATI Testing](#). Click on “Create an Account.” Enter Arizona State University for the institution selection. Remember the login ID and password, as students will need to enter this information on the day of the examination.

- **Register to take the TEAS through ATI Testing**

To register for the exam through ATI Testing, visit <https://atitesting.com/teas/register>. For ATI Testing accommodations, visit <https://help.atitesting.com/teas/teas-exam-accommodations>.

Effective June 19, 2025, final scores for remote TEAS at ATI exams will be available 3 business days after the exam is completed (excluding weekends and holidays). This only impacts [remote exams proctored by ATI](#).

## Preparing for the TEAS

Students should adequately [prepare for the TEAS](#) before their testing date. Preparation materials can be found through the testing publisher, [ATI Testing](#).

## Direct Admission

Some students earned direct admission status upon entering ASU as a freshman nursing major and met continuing eligibility criteria each semester to maintain direct admission. If direct admission is retained throughout the advancement process, students are guaranteed placement into the clinical nursing program within one year of the semester when all prerequisite courses and other general studies requirements are completed. Direct admission students are required to submit a [Clinical Nursing Advancement Application](#) by the advancement deadline. On the application, students will indicate their cohort preferences; however, placement in a preferred cohort is not guaranteed. If more direct admission students request placement in a specific cohort than spaces are available, cohort placement will be determined by random selection.

## Continuing Eligibility Criteria

- Enroll in the courses following the published course sequence on the major map.
- Courses taken at institutions other than ASU, during the required semester, must have the grades recorded in the ASU system by the final grading deadline (degree conferral dates) per the [ASU Academic Calendar](#).
- 3.50 minimum prerequisite course GPA each semester.
- Grades of C or better in prerequisite courses.
- Successful completion of all [Health and Safety Requirements](#).
  - Compliance package must be created by the priority advancement deadline and all items submitted by October 1, 2025 (excluding drug/alcohol screening, criminal background check and statement of health clearance).

Direct admission students are highly encouraged to take the [TEAS exam](#).

## Competitive Application Process

All competitive applicants requesting advancement are ranked from highest to lowest advancement score. The [advancement score calculation](#) is based on two factors: the Prerequisite GPA and the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) score. At this time, no other academic, professional or philanthropic items are considered. There is no guarantee that there will be remaining spaces available through the competitive application process. Students selected for advancement must also meet applicable TEAS, general studies and minimum credit hour requirements before the clinical nursing program begins.

Competitive applicants must be in [academic good standing](#) at ASU to apply. Competitive applicants are required to submit a [Clinical Nursing Advancement Application](#) by the advancement deadline. On the application, applicants will indicate their cohort preferences; however, if offered advancement, placement in a preferred cohort is not guaranteed. Competitive applicants who have applied for advancement in an earlier cycle and wish to be considered in a new cycle are not given preference in the advancement process. There is no limit on the number of times a student can apply for advancement, but students who are reapplying should meet with an Edson College advisor to discuss academic options. To make an appointment with your advisor, go to My ASU, go to "Academic Support Team," expand "Academic Advising" and click the "Schedule an appointment" maroon box.



## Prerequisite GPA Requirement

- Applicants must have a minimum 3.00 prerequisite GPA. Applicants who advance typically have much higher GPAs. [Click here to review placement data for past advancement cycles.](#)
  - Applicants with a prerequisite GPA below 3.00 may apply and be considered through an individual review process if space is available. Additional materials may be required.
- The prerequisite GPA will be calculated using all completed prerequisite courses at the advancement deadline. For [late applicants](#), review deadlines vary if space is available.
- The prerequisite GPA must include 7 of the 12 prerequisite courses, including 3 of the 5 science courses (BIO 201, BIO 202, CHM 101, MIC 205/206, HCR 240 or approved equivalent courses).
  - Up to 5 courses (including 2 science courses) may be in progress at the time of application. In-progress courses must be completed with final grades on file [by the final grade deadline.](#)
- Plus (+) and minus (-) grades are not used in the GPA calculation (i.e., a “B+” grade becomes a “B,” an “A-” grade becomes an “A”). Grades earned at ASU and other colleges are given the same weight.
- On the [final grade deadline](#), a final prerequisite GPA which includes all prerequisite courses is calculated for every advanced student and must meet or exceed 3.00 to retain a space in the program. All 12 prerequisite courses are included in this GPA calculation which occurs on **December 15, 2025.**

## TEAS Exam

All competitive applicants are required to have a valid TEAS exam score on file by the priority advancement deadline. View the TEAS section above for details.

## Advancement Score Calculation and Placement Information

All applicants will be assigned an advancement score. The advancement score calculation is 50% Prerequisite GPA and 50% TEAS score. The maximum advancement score an applicant can earn is a 2.000, which is a 4.000 Prerequisite GPA and 100% TEAS score. Applicants are then assigned spaces based on the priority placement order described below and their ranking until all vacant spaces are filled. In the event of an advancement score tie, admission will be determined by random selection.

### Advancement Score Calculation

- Prerequisite GPA**  
The Course Information Worksheet (CIW) form will calculate the Prerequisite GPA from the information entered. The Prerequisite GPA is converted to a 1-point scale by dividing by 4.000. For example, a Prerequisite GPA of 3.832 will be divided by 4.000, to be converted to 0.958 out of a possible 1.000. Only courses completed and on file (official transcripts received) with ASU by the advancement deadline can be used for your Prerequisite GPA.
- TEAS Score**  
The TEAS score is converted to a 1-point scale. To calculate your score, divide the TEAS score by 100 for the point value. A passing TEAS score can range from 58.7% to 100%, which is converted to 0.587 to 1.000. For example, if a student achieves 87.3% on the TEAS, that student will earn 0.873 points out of a possible 1.000.

Converted Prerequisite GPA	+	Converted TEAS	=	Advancement Score
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### Placement Information

Applicants are placed in the following priority order:

- Traditional BSN - Direct admission students are placed first, followed by competitive applicants with the highest advancement scores.
- Accelerated BSN - Applicants are placed in the following priority order:
  - First-round preference for up to 50% of available seats will be given to students who have completed an Edson College degree (or will complete an Edson College degree before the Accelerated BSN begins).



- Degree programs include: Community Health, Health Care Coordination, Health Care Compliance and Regulations, Health Entrepreneurship and Innovation, and Integrative Health.
- All other postbaccalaureate (second degree) applicants.
- First degree-seeking applicants with direct admission to nursing.
- All other first degree-seeking applicants.

In the event there are spaces available for [late applicants](#), placement determinations will be made based upon advancement score and readiness to begin the program (i.e., review of health and safety compliance progress).

## In-Progress Coursework

### Final Course Deadline - **December 15, 2025**

All required courses - including prerequisites and any other required courses - that are in-progress at the time of application must be completed with official grades on file with ASU by December 15, 2025 to: 1) be eligible for advancement consideration and 2) if selected for advancement, retain placement in the clinical nursing program.

### Courses In-Progress or Completed Outside of ASU

Applicants must disclose on the advancement application where they are taking any required courses and when the grade will be posted (i.e., HCR 240, Arizona State University, December 15, 2025).

If any remaining required coursework is being completed **outside** of ASU, the following guidelines must be followed:

1. Course(s) must be completed at a regionally accredited institution.
2. After grades have been posted, [request for official transcripts](#) to be sent to ASU Admission Services.
3. Verify that the final transfer course grades have been posted at ASU no later than **December 15, 2025**.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Maricopa County Community College District offers courses of varying lengths with multiple start and end dates. Students completing remaining courses outside of ASU must be careful to choose courses with an end date that allows enough time for official transcripts with final grades to be received at ASU by the deadline listed above.

## Applying for Advancement

### Highlights - Continue to read detailed steps below

Applying for advancement into the Traditional BSN and Accelerated BSN programs is a multi-step process:

1. Review this advancement guide and all disclosures.
2. Gain admission and/or confirm eligibility to enroll in spring 2026 at ASU as an undergraduate degree-seeking student, preferably in the community health major.
3. Take the TEAS exam. (Required for competitive applicants. Optional, but highly encouraged, for direct admission applicants.)
4. Complete the First Degree Course Information Worksheet.
5. Submit the Clinical Nursing Advancement Application.
6. Create an account and add the compliance package in to submit health and safety documentation in Complio.

### Step 1: Review the Advancement Guide and disclosures.

Applicants are responsible for reading and understanding the content in this advancement guide, as well as the following documents for prelicensure nursing students:

- [Health and Safety Requirements.](#)
- [Academic Rigor, Responsibility and Advancement/Admission Disclaimer.](#)
- [Fingerprint Clearance, Lawful Presence and Legal Limitations.](#)
- [Functional Expectations and Equal Access of the Nursing Students.](#)

### Step 2: Gain admission to ASU.

Applicants must be admitted to ASU and eligible to enroll in spring 2026 by the priority advancement deadline. It is critical to confirm admission and enrollment eligibility. Students applying for advancement should apply for ASU admission 2-3 months before the priority advancement deadline.

[Unsure if you need to apply or reapply to ASU? Click here for guidance.](#)

### Steps to Apply to ASU

1. Submit an [ASU undergraduate admission application](#).
2. Send official transcripts. ASU requires official transcripts from all previous regionally accredited institutions attended. Please contact the registrar's office at any college or university you have attended and [request for official transcripts](#) to be sent directly to Admission Services. This should be done well in advance of the advancement deadline to account for processing time.
3. Send test scores (if applicable). Students who have earned Advanced Placement (AP) or CLEP credit must contact [collegeboard.org](#) for AP and CLEP scores. International Baccalaureate (IB) scores can be sent directly to ASU via [ibo.org](#).

### Step 3: Take the TEAS exam.

If you have not yet taken the TEAS exam between September 1, 2023 through September 1, 2025, take the TEAS exam. A valid score is required for competitive applicants.

### Step 4: Complete the First Degree Course Information Worksheet.

The completed First Degree Course Information Worksheet (CIW) must be uploaded to your advancement application. The First Degree CIW form can be found on the [Clinical Nursing Advancement Application](#) website under step 5.

Direct Admission students who have maintained Continuing Eligibility Criteria do not need to upload a CIW to their application.

### Step 5: Apply for advancement.

The clinical nursing advancement application must be submitted online by **September 1, 2025 by 11:59 p.m (Arizona time)**. *When the deadline falls on a weekend or a university holiday, the deadline will be 11:59 pm on the next business day.* Applications are time-stamped to confirm on-time submission. Late applications will only be considered on a space-available basis.

Before beginning the advancement application, students must:

1. Be admitted to ASU for spring 2026 as an undergraduate degree-seeking student. See above for details. Students can confirm their admission status with Admission Services by calling 480-965-7788.
2. Ensure all official transcripts for completed coursework are on file with grades posted at ASU. Students may check their transfer coursework by using the Transfer Credit Report located on [My ASU](#): ([My ASU](#)>Grades & Transcripts>Transcripts & Test Scores>Transfer Credit Report).
3. Have a valid TEAS score on file with Edson College by the priority advancement deadline.
4. Complete and save the First Degree Course Information Worksheet.
5. It is **strongly recommended** that all students review their application materials with an Edson College advisor before submitting the advancement application. To schedule an advising appointment, use the [online appointment scheduler](#) or call (602) 496-0888, option #4. Please refer to Step 6 on the Clinical Nursing Advancement Application website for available drop-in dates to meet with an Edson College academic advisor.

Once steps one through five are complete:

6. Complete and submit the online [Clinical Nursing Advancement Application](#).

### Step 6: Create a Complio account and submit health and safety documents.

To qualify for advancement, all applicants must meet specific [health and safety requirements](#). These requirements help ensure students are prepared for participation in clinical experience. Edson College uses Complio, a background screening and compliance tracking system, to manage these requirements.

Applicants should only create a Complio account if they are applying for the spring 2026 clinical nursing program.

To stay on track, applicants should be aware of the following important dates:

- **September 2, 2025:** Create a Complio account and add the compliance package - instructions below.
- **October 1, 2025:** Complete all requirements in the Complio compliance package – excluding the drug screening, background check and statement of health clearance.

If an applicant has a current, valid compliance package with ASU through Complio from a previous cycle, a new account does not need to be created. Deadlines are still required to be met based on the requirements outlined below. Each requirement in the compliance package will need to have a green check mark. If items have expired or will expire before the program begins, it's the applicant's responsibility to ensure compliance with each requirement.

*Previously completed background checks and drug screenings from another cycle cannot be used for this application cycle. These items will need to be completed again when required.*

Applicants who have incomplete Complio items by the October 1 deadline will be considered late applicants. Late applicants may only be placed in the clinical nursing program once they become eligible and pending space availability.

Students who plan to purchase ASU student health insurance with coverage starting this spring 2026 should be aware that proof of insurance may not be available until after the October 1 deadline. In this case, applicants need to notify that ASU health insurance will be obtained after the deadline at [EdsonCollege.Advancement@asu.edu](mailto:EdsonCollege.Advancement@asu.edu).

It is highly recommended that applicants begin collecting the necessary health and safety documentation as early as possible. Some requirements can take six weeks or more to complete. Students should refer to the [Health and Safety Checklist](#) to help stay organized and meet all deadlines.

Complio is the official system used by Edson College to track health and safety requirements. Once advanced to the clinical nursing program, students will continue to access Complio and maintain compliance throughout their enrollment.

### Steps to Set Up Complio and Submit Health and Safety Documents:

1. Visit the Complio's sign-in page for ASU: <http://asucompliance.com/>
2. Click "Create an Account" to start the process. Once all the information is entered, Complio will send an email to the address provided. Click on the "Activation Link" within the email.
3. Log in and follow "Create Order". Complete the prompts and answer the questions. Select the correct options.
  - a. **Select Program:** Prelicensure Nursing Student
  - b. **Package:** Arizona State Prelicensure Package (36 months)
  - c. **Passcode for Package Only:** PRETRK
4. Enter the required information to complete the screening and sign all required forms. Please review all entered information for accuracy. If information is incorrect, updates cannot be made and no refunds can be processed.
5. Enter payment details. For information about Complio's refund policy, please [check here](#).
  - a. **Cost:** \$40.00

It's important to read all required documentation once logged into Complio. If a requirement is rejected, a detailed comment will be provided in the account. Review that information before uploading new documentation.

## Late Applications

If a student missed the initial priority application deadline, we encourage students to submit a late application. Applications received after the priority deadline will be accepted and reviewed on a space-available basis following monthly late deadlines: October 20 and November 20. Students are encouraged to apply if all criteria can be met before the clinical program start date. Listed below are examples of why an application is considered late.

- The [Clinical Nursing Advancement Application](#) was submitted after the priority advancement deadline.
- The Complio account was not created by the priority advancement deadline or the required health and safety documentation was not uploaded to Complio by October 1, 2025.

- An applicant does not have a complete application by the priority advancement deadline. This would include, but is not limited to, more prerequisite courses in progress than allowed, not having a passing TEAS score on file with ASU, the Prerequisite GPA is currently below the requirement, or not being admitted to ASU or being eligible to enroll in spring 2026.

Students who are interested in applying late should consult with an Edson College student services team member.

## Communication Timeline for Advancement

### Notification of Advancement Status expected by Friday, October 10, 2025

Communication with students throughout the advancement process will be done via email. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure proper access to their email account, and that it is accessed, read and acted upon promptly. If communication is not received, it is the applicant's responsibility to seek assistance from the Edson College student services team.

Notification of advancement will be sent via email. Students will receive one of 4 notifications:

- **Provisional Advancement Status:** given to applicants with all eligibility items satisfied and an advancement score above the cut-off. All remaining health and safety requirements – including the drug screening, criminal background check and statement of health clearance – must be fulfilled before students are fully qualified for advancement.
- **Alternate Status:** given to a select group of applicants with an advancement score just below the cut-off. If students higher on the advancement list decline or forfeit their spaces, alternates will be considered for advancement following the late application deadlines, in which all alternates and late applicants who have completed their health and safety requirements in Complio will be reviewed and offered advancement in order of priority placement order and highest advancement score. If a student does not advance off the alternate list, they will have to reapply to be considered for a future application cycle. The college does not disclose a student's position on the alternate list. Students who are identified as alternates must complete all remaining health and safety requirements to preserve consideration. If an alternate does not comply, they will forfeit their position as an alternate.
- **Not Currently Eligible:** given to applicants who are not currently eligible based on the application materials submitted, but can submit materials to be considered as a late applicant if spaces remain when they gain eligibility. These applicants may also be considered through the individual review process, if available.
- **Denied Advancement:** given to applicants who are below the cut-off score and are not on the alternate list.
- **Withdrawn from Consideration:** given to applicants who do not meet all of the application requirements or advancement criteria, and will not be able to meet the requirements before the program begins.

## Provisional Advancement

Students who earn provisional advancement have a space secured in the clinical nursing program indicated on their provisional advancement notice. Provisional advancement status will be forfeited if a student is unable to do any of the following:

- Complete required documentation. Details will be provided in the advancement notice.
- Successfully complete all remaining health and safety requirements – including a criminal background check, a drug screening and statement of health clearance.
- Be eligible to enroll in spring 2026 classes by October 24, 2025 - including having any advising or financial holds on My ASU resolved that prevent spring 2026 enrollment.
- Earn grades of "C" or better in final courses by the deadline provided.
- Meet the minimum prerequisite GPA requirement. This will be calculated once all prerequisites are completed or by the prerequisite course deadline - whichever is soonest.
- Complete the minimum credits required to start the program (57 credits for Traditional BSN; 70 credits for Accelerated BSN) by the final course deadline provided.
- Direct Admission students only – Meet [Continuing Eligibility Criteria](#).

## Final Health and Safety Requirements

### Expected Due Date - October 24, 2025

Students selected for advancement and alternate status will have the majority of their health and safety requirements complete. All incomplete health and safety requirements are due approximately two weeks after a student is notified of advancement or alternate status including a criminal background check, a drug screening and statement of health clearance.

**October 24, 2025 is the expected deadline and is subject to change.** A final deadline will be provided in each student's notification of advancement status.

**Students who are not compliant by the deadline will be removed from the program, and their seat will be offered to a qualified alternate.**

## Successful Completion of Final Courses

### Due Date - December 15, 2025

Students must successfully complete all in-progress courses with a grade of a "C" or better and meet the minimum 3.0 Prerequisite GPA. If enrolled in any of the final courses outside of ASU, ASU must have your official transcripts no later than the deadline listed above. It is the **student's responsibility** to verify that Admission Services has received the official transcripts. Before sending final transcripts, students should ensure grades are posted for their remaining courses. Failure to have transcripts to ASU by the deadline will result in a forfeiture of space in the clinical nursing program.

Direct admission students must also meet Continuing Eligibility Criteria – including earning a minimum 3.50 critical course GPA for fall 2025.

## Prelicensure Welcome, Orientation, Teams Match and Lighting of the Lamp

### Dates to be Determined

Provisionally advanced students are required to attend a series of meetings leading up to their program start date. These meetings will provide an overview of the prelicensure program, clinical dress code, necessary textbooks, uniform and equipment requirements.

## Tuition & Fees and Scholarships

Tuition and fees are determined based on several factors. Refer to [ASU's Tuition Estimator](#). The fees below are based on 2025-2026 tuition rates.

- A \$620 (resident) and \$1,065 (non-resident) per semester program fee is assessed for first bachelor's degree-seeking students.
- Applicants are encouraged to file a FAFSA with ASU and to contact [Financial Aid and Scholarship Services](#) to discuss financial aid options.
- Students with merit scholarships will be able to continue using their awards.
- [Scholarships and funding specific to nursing students](#).



## Health and Safety Requirements

Complio is a background screening and compliance tracker used to ensure health and safety requirements are met. Complio is required to be utilized by all applicants to ensure compliance. The subscription costs for Complio are the responsibility of the student and must be paid by the individual student to Complio. The cost is \$40.00 for a 36-month subscription.

Please review step 6 above on how to create your Complio account and upload your required documents.

Titers or Vaccinations (see below for details)		Other Requirements	Additional Forms
<b>Measles/Rubeola (MMR)</b> Vaccination series <u>or</u> positive titer.	<b>Hepatitis B</b> Vaccination series <u>or</u> positive titer.	<b>Arizona IVP Clearance Card</b> (unrestricted and unexpired) Students are required to have an unrestricted and unexpired Arizona IVP Clearance Card.	<b>Statement of Health Clearance</b> Healthcare professional must sign a college-provided form verifying that they meet the requirements to perform the functions of a nursing student. <i>(available after advancement/admission or alternate status)</i>
<b>Mumps (MMR)</b> Vaccination series <u>or</u> positive titer.	<b>Influenza (Flu) Vaccination</b> Influenza vaccine administered within the current flu season.	<b>CPR Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Healthcare Professional from American Heart Association</b> (current within last 2 years)	<b>Consent to Verify Personal Information to Clinical Agencies</b> To authorize the college to release health, immunization, and other information to clinical placement agencies.
<b>Rubella (MMR)</b> Vaccination series <u>or</u> positive titer.	<b>Tdap Vaccination</b> Must contain Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (current within last 10 years)	<b>Tuberculosis (TB)</b> 1. Negative IGRA blood test (lab report required). 2. Negative two-step PPD skin test (two skin tests 8-14 days apart with two read dates; two reports required). <i>If results are positive</i> , the Annual ASU TB Screening Questionnaire must be signed by a licensed healthcare provider. (current within last 12 months)	<b>Statement of Disclosure</b> Acknowledge that they may be at risk of known or unknown exposure to devices, equipment, or treatments that may be potentially harmful.
<b>Varicella (Chicken Pox)</b> Vaccination series <u>or</u> positive titer.	<b>COVID-19 Vaccine</b> Acknowledge that they must meet the COVID-19 vaccine requirement of the clinical agencies assigned <u>or</u> vaccination series.	<b>Health Insurance Coverage</b> Students can purchase private health insurance or enroll in ASU student health insurance. <i>Bridge Discount Plan not eligible to meet this requirement.</i>	

**Renewal:**

If CPR, Tdap, Fingerprint Clearance Card, or TB renewal date falls within January 1 - April 30, students must renew prior to December 20th.

If CPR, Tdap, Fingerprint Clearance Card, or TB renewal date falls within May 1 - July 31, students must renew prior to April 20th.

If CPR, Tdap, Fingerprint Clearance Card, or TB renewal date falls within August 1 - December 31, students must renew prior to July 20th.

## Vaccinations vs. Titers

A vaccination is the act of introducing a vaccine into the body to produce immunity to a specific disease. A quantitative titer is a blood test used to check the level of antibodies in the blood and measure the strength of a person's immunity to a disease. Most can have a titer drawn from a primary care provider or [ASU Health Services](#) can help students complete these requirements.

### Measles (Rubeola), Mumps, and Rubella (MMR)

Students are required to provide documentation of Measles (Rubeola), Mumps, and Rubella through one of the following:

1. Documentation of two MMR vaccinations that meet the minimum duration below.
  - a. Dose 1
  - b. Dose 2 – At least 4 weeks (28 days) after Dose 1

**OR**

2. Positive quantitative antibody titer for Measles (Rubeola), Mumps, and Rubella.

Select clinical placement sites require titers. If at any time during the clinical nursing program, you are placed at a site that requires a titer, you will be notified by the program office.

### **Varicella (Chicken Pox)**

Students are required to provide documentation of Varicella through one of the following:

1. Documentation of two Varicella vaccinations that meet the minimum duration below.
  - a. Dose 1
  - b. Dose 2 – At least 4 weeks (28 days) after Dose 1.

**OR**

2. Positive quantitative antibody titer for Varicella.

Select clinical placement sites require titers. If at any time during the clinical nursing program, you are placed at a site that requires a titer, you will be notified by the program office.

### **Hepatitis B**

Students are required to provide documentation of Hepatitis B through one of the following:

1. Documentation of two Heplisav-B vaccinations that meet the minimum duration below.
  - a. Dose 1
  - b. Dose 2 – At least 4 weeks (28 days) after Dose 1

**OR**

2. Documentation of three Hepatitis B vaccinations (Engerix-B or Recombivax HB) that meet the minimum durations listed below.
  - a. Dose 1
  - b. Dose 2 – At least 4 weeks (28 days) after Dose 1
  - c. Dose 3 – At least 8 weeks (56 days) between Doses 2 and 3 and at least 16 weeks (112 days) between Doses 1 and 3

**OR**

3. Positive quantitative antibody titer for Hepatitis B.

### **Influenza (Flu) Vaccine**

Students will be required to provide documentation of an influenza vaccine given within the current influenza season (August-May). Students are required to keep this vaccination current while enrolled in the clinical nursing program.

### **Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap)**

Students are required to provide documentation of tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis vaccination administered within the last ten (10) years. A titer is not acceptable to fulfill this requirement. Students are required to keep this immunization current throughout the advancement process and while enrolled in the clinical nursing program.

### **COVID-19 Vaccine**

While the COVID-19 vaccine is not currently required to be an ASU or Edson College student, we anticipate that some clinical placement agencies will require students to be vaccinated. If you are assigned to a clinical agency that requires the vaccine, you will need to complete the vaccine to complete your clinical requirements.

Students are required to provide documentation of COVID-19 through one of the following:

1. Sign an acknowledgment form to confirm an understanding of the COVID-19 policy.

**OR**

2. Documentation of the COVID-19 vaccination, showing one of the following:
  - a. A two-dose series of Pfizer, Moderna, or Novavax



- b. A single dose of Johnson & Johnson.
- c. A single bivalent dose.
- d. A current single dose of Pfizer, Moderna, or Novavax administered on or after September 11, 2023.

### **Tuberculosis (TB)**

Students are required to provide documentation of Tuberculosis (TB) through one of the following:

1. Negative two-step PPD TB skin test within the past 12 months that meets the minimum duration below (**requires two skin tests and two read dates**):
  - a. First PPD TB skin test (with a read date).
  - b. Second PPD TB skin test (with a read date) - At least 8 days but no more than 14 days after the first skin test was administered (based on implant/administration date).

**OR**

2. Negative IGRA blood test (QuantiFERON TB Gold Plus or T-SPOT TB) within the past 12 months.

If the results are positive (over 10 mm), provide the following documents:

- Positive results (lab report).
- Completed Annual TB Screening Questionnaire signed by a licensed healthcare provider (MD, DO, NP, or PA).
  - Depending on the clinical placement site, students with positive TB results may also need to submit a recent chest x-ray completed within a specific timeframe as outlined by the clinical site.

If the results are borderline, students must retest. Students are required to keep this current throughout the advancement process and while enrolled in the clinical nursing program.

### **Recommended: Hepatitis A**

For enhanced safety during clinical experiences, we recommend that students obtain a Hepatitis A immunization, but at this time, it is not a requirement for the clinical nursing program.

### **Arizona IVP Fingerprint Clearance Card**

ASU nursing students must possess a valid, unrestricted **IVP (Identity Verified Prints)** Clearance Card from the state of Arizona to be advanced and maintain enrollment in ASU's clinical nursing programs. All clinical nursing students are required to keep this requirement current throughout the advancement process and while enrolled in the clinical nursing program.

**Disclaimer:** If you have an active, non-IVP fingerprint clearance card, you must obtain the IVP Clearance Card. Unfortunately, a non-IVP fingerprint card will not meet the requirement.

Obtaining a fingerprint clearance card is a multi-step process and may take up to 6 weeks (or more) to complete. Applicants outside of Arizona may also obtain this clearance card and will request a mail-packet process in the steps below. Please contact the Arizona Department of Public Safety (AZDPS) at 602-223-2279 for application help.

#### **Steps to Obtain an Arizona IVP Clearance Card**

Note: Instructions are subject to change.

- Begin the process at the following link and create an account: <https://www.azdps.gov/services/public/fingerprint>.
- Select "Apply for a Card."
- Select "Apply for a New Clearance Card".
- **Select "IVP."**
- Answer the following question if you had an IVP Clearance Card before.
- Review Privacy Act Statement – Select "Continue."
- Select "Public and/or Charter School Contractor, Subcontractor or Vendor and their Employees ARS § 15-512."

- Is this person an employee or volunteer - Select "Employee."
- Are there other reasons you are applying - Select "Yes."
- Scroll down to Additional Sponsors, select "Health and Sciences Student and Clinical Assistant ARS § 15-1881" – Click "Continue."
- Complete Applicant Information.
- Employer Information (characters are limited on the form – please enter as listed below):
  - **Name: Laurel Hendrickson Edson College of Nursing**
  - **Phone: (602) 543-4335**
  - **Mailing Address: 500 N. 3rd St. - HLTHN**
  - **City: Phoenix**
  - **State: Arizona**
  - **Zip Code: 85004**
- Applicant Signature.
- Review Fingerprint Clearance Card Application (IVP).
- Ensure all information is input correctly – Select "Continue with Order".
- Select "Submit & Pay by Credit Card."
- Pay the \$68.34 fee (non-refundable).
- Once you submit payment, log back into your Public Services Portal and go to "Message Center" for further instructions.

If you selected the "The applicant is or will be physically present in Arizona for fingerprinting" option, you should receive information to schedule your live scan.

- Verify all the information from the previous application.
- Pay the fingerprinting fee (typically around \$8).
- Registration receipt and review the list of fingerprint locations.

If you selected "The applicant is not physically present in Arizona for fingerprint" option you will be sent a fingerprint card to take locally for rolled, ink fingerprints.

#### **If you already have an active Arizona IVP Clearance Card**

If you have already obtained an Arizona IVP Clearance Card using an institution other than Arizona State University, please contact the Arizona Department of Public Safety at 602-223-2279 to request a change to the academic sponsor to 'Health and Sciences Student and Clinical Assistant ARS § 15-1881'.

#### **Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR): BLS Provider**

Students are required to provide and keep current documentation of an American Heart Association Healthcare Professional BLS Provider Certificate. The blended learning option is acceptable but must include an in-person skills session. A 100% online CPR certification will not be accepted. Only BLS certification from the American Heart Association will be accepted. Please use the link below to search for a local training center in your area.

Name of Organization	Name of CPR Certification Course
American Heart Association ( <a href="https://cpr.heart.org/">https://cpr.heart.org/</a> )	<a href="#">BLS Provider Certificate</a>

Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation also offers an approved American Heart Association Basic Life Support in-person training at the Downtown Phoenix campus. Students interested in this option can learn more and register by [clicking here](#).

## Health Insurance Coverage

Students will be prompted to provide documentation of health insurance coverage to Complio. Clinical sites require that nursing students have health insurance coverage. Students can purchase private health insurance or enroll in ASU student health insurance. Cost-sharing plans will not fulfill this requirement.

- If you will be purchasing [ASU student health insurance](#) with coverage beginning the semester of advancement, proof of coverage may not be available until after the Health and Safety deadline. Please email [EdsonCollege.Advancement@asu.edu](mailto:EdsonCollege.Advancement@asu.edu) if you plan to purchase ASU health insurance with coverage beginning the semester of advancement.
- **NOTE:** The bridge plan does not fulfill the health insurance requirement.

If there are changes to a student's health insurance coverage while in the clinical nursing program, students must notify the Student Academic Services Office within 10 business days with the new information. The cost of health insurance is the student's responsibility. Please visit the [Educational Outreach and Student Services](#) website for more information about Health Coverage Options.

## Consent to Verify Personal Information to Clinical Agencies

Students will be asked to authorize the college to release health, immunization, and other information kept in their file or on Complio to clinical placement agencies for students to participate in a clinical experience. While enrolled in the clinical nursing program, students must ensure all non-academic items stay current. Students may need to submit non-academic information and documentation directly to clinical placement agencies before they are eligible to participate in any college clinical experiences or practice related to coursework. The college will provide students with plenty of notice when applicable. Inaccurate, incomplete and/or outdated information regarding health status, immunizations, TB test or CPR training may prohibit any student from participating in required clinical experiences.

## Statement of Disclosure

The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation is committed to providing students with clinical learning environments that are conducive to their needs. Students will complete the Statement of Disclosure form to acknowledge that they may be at risk of known or unknown exposure to devices, equipment or treatments that may be potentially harmful. The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation and Student Accessibility and Inclusive Learning Services, ASU's disability resource center, is committed to working collaboratively with students to find appropriate clinical learning sites that minimize risk. However, due to the unpredictable environment in clinical agencies, it is not possible to guarantee no exposure to devices, equipment or treatments that may be potentially harmful to students.

## Health and Safety Requirements for Advanced and Alternate Students

**Expected Due Date: October 24, 2025**

*Do not complete these requirements until notification of advancement or alternate status.*

## Statement of Health Clearance

Upon notification of advancement or alternate status, students must have a healthcare professional sign a college-provided form verifying that they meet the requirements to perform the functions of a nursing student. The cost of the service to obtain a healthcare provider's clearance is the student's responsibility. The physical exam must be completed within the timeframe designated for the cycle in which a student is advanced. Please do not complete this requirement until notification of advancement or alternate status. If the provider does not have a stamp, a note must be included in that section that says, "I do not use a stamp in my practice".

## Drug Screening

Upon notification of advancement or alternate status, students will be prompted to order a drug screen through Complio within a designated period. All results, including screenings for marijuana and its metabolites, must come back negative. Students will have approximately a two-week period in which to provide their specimen. The drug screening is approximately \$40.00. The cost of the drug screen is the student's responsibility.

Students who are currently on approved prescription or over-the-counter drugs that can result in a positive drug screen will need to work with the Medical Review Officer (MRO) from Complio if a test is failed. This allows a student to provide sufficient documentation for legal prescriptions. [Click here](#) for additional details on which substances are screened during this process.

### **Criminal Background Clearance**

Upon notification of advancement or alternate status, students will be prompted to order a background check through Complio within a designated period. Students participating in clinical experiences must pass an extensive background check in addition to possessing a valid, unrestricted AZ IVP fingerprint clearance card. The Criminal Background Clearance is approximately \$55.00. The cost of the background clearance is the student's responsibility. [Click here](#) for additional information.