

CHALLENGE/ADVANCED PLACEMENT INTO THE NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL

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CHALLENGE/ADVANCED PLACEMENT FOR MILITARY TRAINED HEALTHCARE PERSONNEL POLICY:

Individuals who present with relevant military education and experience equal but not limited to: Basic Medical Technician Corpsman (Navy HM or Air Force BMTCP), Army Health Care Specialist (68W Army Medic) or Air Force Independent Duty Medical Technician (IMDT 4N0X1C) may be eligible for advanced placement in the nursing program. Military Healthcare Personnel must complete the following to establish equivalency or gain credit for courses in the nursing program:

1. Meet all general entrance requirements of the Associate Degree Nursing Program, including completion of designated prerequisites and the Assessment Test.
2. Have an honorable discharge from the military.
3. Successfully pass the challenge examination or other evaluative methods for each nursing course prior to the requested level of entry, which may include:
 - a. Skills competency evaluation (clinical courses)
 - b. 75% or above on the written challenge exam(s)
 - c. 85% on dosage calculation exam

Military students who successfully complete the challenge procedure will be accepted into the Associate Degree Nursing Program based upon space availability. Military challenge students who were not successful in a previous nursing program are not eligible to apply for admission to the nursing program as an advanced placement student.

PROCEDURE:

1. Military Healthcare Personnel:
 - a. Must request an appointment with the Nursing Program Director to discuss eligibility requirements for the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
 - b. Who present with relevant military education and experience within the last two years may be eligible for advanced placement through the challenge procedure.
 - c. Challenging nursing courses must submit the following verifying education and experience:
 1. Official transcripts from appropriate education program(s) and syllabi, demonstrating satisfactory completion of coursework and clinical experience.
 2. Documentation of work experience
2. Once relevant military education and experience are validated and nursing program admission requirements are completed, the student will be notified by the Nursing Program that they qualify to begin the challenge procedure.
3. The following materials for the challenged course will be made available to the student:
 - a. Course syllabus, including course objectives
 - b. Content outline
 - c. Bibliography and textbook lists
 - d. Example of style and format of examination
 - e. Critical Elements
4. Written and skills competency examinations for advanced placement must be completed eight weeks prior to the beginning of the challenged course.
5. Advanced Placement will be granted when the challenge procedure is completed successfully.
6. Final approval for admission to the nursing program will be completed by the Nursing Program Admission Committee.