

**Application Submission Dates**

June 6, 2022 – August 11, 2022 for spring 2023

**Communication By**

September 30, 2022

Admission to Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College's ADN Transition or Flex program is competitive. **Applicants must hold a current LPN license to apply or be enrolled in the final semester of the OCtech LPN program.** Application packets are reviewed on a competitive basis. Applicants are encouraged to apply when most competitive. You must meet the requirements outlined in this overview and be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident to qualify. Admission of international students must comply with federal and state regulations pertaining to international student enrollment in U.S. colleges.

**Interested individuals must attend a Health Information Program (HIP) Session (either Zoom or online) to receive an application packet.** All documents submitted with the application packet become the exclusive property of the college and will not be returned to the applicant. Qualified applicants who attended college outside of the United States and meet citizenship requirements must provide official transcripts from World Education Service. Fees for English translation of international transcripts must be paid by the applicant (contact our Registrar at [studentrecords@octech.edu](mailto:studentrecords@octech.edu) or 803-535-1222 for details). Misrepresentation of information on any required forms or a willful attempt to misrepresent residency will make an applicant ineligible for admission to OCtech Nursing and Health Science programs.

**Applicants who have attempted (withdrawal and/or failure) two or more Nursing or Health Science courses OR applicants who have had two or more Nursing or Health Science program attempts (withdrawal and/or failure) within the last 5 years may only apply through the appeals process. To view the appeals process, visit <https://www.octech.edu/nhs-program-appeal-application/>.**

All applicants can expect to hear from us according to the schedule listed above. There is no guarantee that you will be accepted; however, we suggest that you make financial arrangements and complete the FAFSA ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)) in the event that you are offered admission, since payment of tuition, fees and books will be due upon enrollment.

A national background check and drug test will be required upon acceptance to the program and before starting class. Positive results on background check and/or drug test may prohibit participation in clinical experiences and may necessitate removal from the program. **Clinical sites may require additional background and drug testing during the course of a student's enrollment.**

It is the responsibility of the student to notify the Program Coordinator or Dean in the Nursing/Health Science program of any criminal charges, convictions, orders and/or sanctions that occur during the course of his/her enrollment. Failure to notify the Program Coordinator or Dean may necessitate removal from the program and revocation of eligibility to take the State Board Examination for Licensure or the National Certification Exam. Note: Prior criminal convictions may affect eligibility to take the State Board Examination for Licensure.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

### Part I - Applicants must meet the following requirements to be eligible to move to Part II:

- ✓ Attend a Health Information Program (HIP) Session (Zoom or online).
- ✓ Be a high school graduate or possess a GED. (Official transcript must be submitted. If this information is already on file, it does not need to be resubmitted.)
- ✓ Official transcripts from all colleges must be submitted. (If this information is already on file, it does not need to be resubmitted.) Transcripts must be sent from the college to OCtech via mail, electronically, or emailed to studentrecords@octech.edu. All transcripts should be received by OCtech at least 10 days prior to submitting your application but no later than the application submission deadline. **If under a different name, please indicate last name.**
- ✓ Hold a current LPN license to apply or be enrolled in the final semester of the OCtech LPN program.

### Part II - Applicants qualifying to submit an application must meet ONE of the following reading criteria:

SAT Reading - 26

**OR**

ACT Reading - 19

**OR**

TEAS Reading (version V or ATI TEAS) – 65 (within 5 years)

**OR**

Accuplacer Reading – 71 (within 5 years)

**OR**

Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250 (within 5 years)

### AND

- 1) **Pass the ATI RN Fundamentals exam with a level two. (See page 3 for details.)**
- 2) **Achieve 80% proficiency on drug calculations. (See page 3 for more details.)**  
ATI RN Fundamentals and Drug Calculations test scores must be within 2 years.

### AND

**TRANSITION: have a minimum GPA of 2.50 (on a 4.0 scale) on any previous college work used to meet general education requirements in the ADN Nursing Program. (BIO 210/211/225, ENG 101, MAT 105/102 or higher, AHS 210, PSY 201 and Humanities Elective).** Points will be awarded based on the highest course grades received. *(Students who have received AP credit or credit by exemption (E) will receive 4 points for 4-credit hour courses and 3 points for 3-credit hour courses for the REQUIRED courses only.)*

**FLEX: complete ALL required program general education courses prior to admission to the clinical ADN program with a 3.0 or higher GPA on required courses.\***

**BIO 210, BIO 211, BIO 225, AHS 210 or BIO 240, ENG 101, MAT 105/102 OR higher, PSY 201, and a Humanities elective.**

*\*Students who have received AP credit or credit by exemption (E) will receive 4 points for 4-credit hour courses and 3 points for 3-credit hour courses for the REQUIRED courses only.*

Points are awarded for specified general education courses, certificate or licensure in health-related field, degree completion, and residency.

See “**Selective Ranking Score Sheet**”.

## Directions for ATI Testing to Be Completed BEFORE APPLYING TO ADN TRANSITION OR ADN FLEX

In order to apply to the ADN Flex or Transition programs, applicants must test in the OCtech Testing Center and score the required level on each of two proctored assessments (submission of previous test results must be within two years):

1. ATI RN Fundamentals – level 2 required
2. ATI RN Fundamentals Dosage Calculations – 80% proficiency required

Visit <https://www.octech.edu/student-resources/testing-center/> for the days, times, and room where the tests are administered.

These tests are online and self-paid with a debit or credit card (NO CASH) on the ATI website prior to testing.

In preparation for these exams, review an ATI RN Fundamentals book including the Pharmacology chapters on drug calculations. Allow at least two weeks to prepare. A calculator is available on the ATI test for your use on drug calculations. ATI has numerous resources to help you prepare for the two tests.

You may purchase the special package below ATI prepared for OCtech programs. The package price includes practice assessments, two proctored tests and one retake of each assessment as needed. The dosage calculation practice is not available for purchase **except** in this package. The cost with the preparation materials and practice assessments is approximately \$165.85. The cost to purchase **ONLY** one attempt at each of the proctored tests is approximately \$58, if you don't choose this package. See chart below for pricing.

(Prices subject to change. Visit <https://www.atitesting.com/Home.aspx> for actual costs)

Fundamentals of Nursing	
Content Mastery Series Proctored Assessment Fundamentals & 1 Retake	
Content Mastery Series Fundamentals Practice Assessments A and B	
Content Mastery Series Fundamentals Review Book	
Dosage Calculation RN Fundamentals – 1 Practice, 1 Proctored Assessment, & 1 Retake	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$165.85</b>

In order to prepare and test, create an ATI account. If you have a previous ATI account, **PLEASE** do not create a new one. If you took the TEAS test in the past, you have an account. Just log in and change your program. Please go to <https://www.atitesting.com/Home.aspx>

- A. Choose "I am a nursing student".
- B. **For new accounts:** Click "Create an Account"
- C. **For old accounts:** Use "Forgot User Name or Password" and get information from ATI.

Choose Institution as: **OCtech ADN Flex** and leave Student ID and Credential blank. Check "**non-degree-seeking**". This is for testing only, not the program for your application. Make sure to check your email frequently after registering.

**If you choose to purchase the package**, after creating an account, open the ATI account and click on your name at the top of the page. Example: "Jane Doe's Account". Click the "**MY PURCHASES & PAYMENTS**" tab and enter the payment code **0133127** and enter the class name **EXACTLY AS TYPED** as **Pre-Nursing2020** (case sensitive) in the boxes. Click "**Submit**". Continue to pay for the package, then return to the **HOME** tab. Click on "**Add Product**" and input the code: **CDN007390322**. Click on the **MY ATI** tab to access purchased products. Remediation after each Practice Assessment is available in the "IMPROVE" tab and will help you focus on weak areas. You will have two attempts at these proctored exams to score the required levels.

**If you are not purchasing the package, simply arrive at the Testing Center with your debit/credit card and pay for the test at the time of testing.**

**If you are unsuccessful after two test attempts, you cannot submit an application to ADN Flex or ADN Transition for the current year. You may apply to the traditional ADN program for spring start or wait until next year and challenge these exams again.**

**If you are successful on one or both of these exams this year and are not accepted into a program, you may use these results to apply NEXT YEAR when those applications are available. Successful exam results are only valid for two consecutive application cycles.**

**ALL ADN students must be able to meet the core performance standards  
for the classroom and clinical environment before starting the program.**

Issue	Standard	Examples of Necessary Activities
Critical thinking	Critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical judgement	1) Identify cause/effect relationships in clinical situations 2) Use of the scientific method in the development of nursing care plans 3) Evaluation of the effectiveness of nursing interventions 4) Make decisions made on the nursing process
Problem Solving	Make adjustments in therapies based on patient responses	1) Notify appropriate member of health care team of changes in patient condition 2) Capacity to engage in successful conflict resolution 3) Peer accountability
Interpersonal	Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural and intellectual backgrounds	1) Establishment of rapport with patients/clients and colleagues
Communication	Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal and written form	1) Explanation of treatment procedures, initiation of health teaching 2) Documentation and interpretation of nursing actions and patient/client responses 3) Correctly read aloud written instructions 4) Follow oral and written instructions
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room and maneuver in small spaces	1) Movement about patient's room, work spaces and treatment areas 2) Administration of rescue procedures – cardiopulmonary resuscitation 3) Lift 20 pounds from the floor, carry and place on a surface 36 inches in height 4) Stand from a seated position and walk 300 feet without any impairment 5) Assist patient from a bed, stretcher or wheelchair safely (NSPH) 6) Move from a standing position to a squatting position and vice versa 7) Walk up and down several flights of stairs and pivot 8) Extend legs forward and backward to provide patient support as needed 9) Push a stretcher with a patient without assistance 10) Transport a patient in a wheelchair, bed or stretcher with oxygen or IV fluids

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Standard</b>	<b>Examples of Necessary Activities</b>
Motor skills	Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Calibration and use of equipment, operation of computers, telephones, call lights, etc.</li> <li>2) Therapeutic positioning of patients</li> <li>3) Put on and remove proper clothing and equipment correctly without assistance (i.e. surgery suit, shoe covers or other protective devices, etc.)</li> <li>4) Demonstrate fine motor skills in manipulating small objects</li> </ol>
Hearing	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Ability to hear monitoring device alarm and other emergency signals</li> <li>2) Ability to discern auscultatory sounds and cries for help</li> </ol>
Visual	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Establishment of rapport with patients/clients and colleagues</li> </ol>
Tactile	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Ability to perform palpation in physical examinations and various therapeutic interventions  Ex: Distinguish smells which are contributory to assessing and/or maintaining patient's health status, e.g. smell fire, wound drainage</li> </ol>
Smell/olfaction	Olfactory senses sufficient for maintaining environmental and patient safety	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Distinguish smells which are contributory to assessing and or maintaining patient's health status (e.g. fire)</li> </ol>
Self-Care	Ability to present professional appearance and implement measures to maintain own health.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Implement standard precautions</li> <li>2) Follow established procedures for body hygiene</li> <li>3) Awareness of the potential exposure to pathogens through bodily secretions, mucous and blood</li> </ol>
Temperament	Deal effectively with stress produced by work and interpersonal interaction situations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Perform procedures on patients in pain from trauma, disease or under the influence of drugs/alcohol</li> <li>2) Maintain professional composure under stress</li> </ol>

Applicants who need to be evaluated for reasonable accommodations should make an appointment with the Coordinator for Services for Students with Disabilities, Tracy Dibble, by calling 803-535-1225 between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday thru Thursday. Admitted students who are not able to perform all Core Performance Standards will have the admission offer rescinded.

Non-Discrimination Policy: Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or veteran status in its admissions policies, programs, activities or employment practices. Employee and applicant inquiries concerning the federal laws and their application to the College may be directed to the College's Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Officer, the Director of Human Resources, Marie Howell, 3250 St. Matthews Road, Orangeburg, SC 29118, 803-535-1207, who serves as the College's Section 504, Title II and Title IX Coordinator.

OCtech's ADN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, Georgia 30326; Phone: 404-975-5000; Fax: 404-975-5020. ([www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org))

**2022-2023 APPROXIMATE CHARGES FOR ADN TRANSITION**  
**(Figures do not include tuition)**

<b>Fall</b>	ViewPoint Immunizations/Background Check and Drug Screen.....	\$110.00
	Uniforms.....	\$500.00
	CPR Certification (OC Tech).....	\$200.00
	Hepatitis B Vaccine.....	\$200.00
	<u>Physical and labwork (depending on source).....</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1260.00</b>
<b>Spring</b>	Books/Course Lab Packet.....	\$600.00
	Laptop (mandatory for program).....	\$300.00
	Lab Fee for NUR 201 course.....	\$25.00
	Exam Soft.....	\$135.00
	SwiftRiver.....	\$75.00
	ATI Testing Fees.....	\$605.00
	Malpractice Insurance.....	\$10.00
	<u>Technology Fee.....</u>	<u>\$90.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1840.00</b>
<b>Summer</b>	Books/Course Lab Packets.....	\$400.00
	<u>ATI Testing Fees.....</u>	<u>\$605.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1005.00</b>
<b>Fall</b>	Books/Course Lab Packets.....	\$325.00
	Lab Fees (NUR 210).....	\$25.00
	Exam Soft.....	\$135.00
	Proctor U for NUR 214.....	\$12.00
	<u>ATI Testing Fees.....</u>	<u>\$605.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1102.00</b>
<b>Spring</b>	Books/Course Lab Packets.....	\$350.00
	Technology Fees.....	\$90.00
	Exam Soft.....	\$135.00
	Swift River.....	\$75.00
	Malpractice Insurance.....	\$10.00
	Lab Fee for NUR 215 course.....	\$25.00
	HESI Exit Exam.....	\$75.00
	State Board Application Fee.....	\$97.00
	NCLEX-RN Application Fee.....	\$200.00
	Criminal Background / Fingerprinting.....	\$55.00
	1 – 2 x 2 Full Face B & W Photograph.....	\$15.00
	Invitation (Pinning).....	\$10 - \$15.00
	Uniform Dress.....	\$65.00
	Nursing Pin.....	\$50.00 - 250.00
	<u>Graduation Fee.....</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1477.00</b>
	<b>Program Total(excluding tuition).....</b>	<b>\$6904.00</b>

**2022-2023 APPROXIMATE CHARGES FOR ADN FLEX**  
**(Figures do not include tuition)**

<b>Fall</b>	ViewPoint Immunizations/Background Check and Drug Screen.....	\$110.00
	Uniforms .....	\$500.00
	CPR Certification (OC Tech).....	\$200.00
	Hepatitis B Vaccine.....	\$200.00
	<u>Physical and labwork (depending on source).....</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$1260.00</b>
<b>Spring</b>	Books/Course Lab Packet .....	\$850.00
	Laptop (mandatory for program).....	\$300.00
	Lab Fee for NUR 201 course .....	\$25.00
	Exam Soft .....	\$135.00
	ATI Testing Fees.....	\$605.00
	Proctor U.....	\$12.00
	SwiftRiver.....	\$75.00
	Malpractice Insurance.....	\$10.00
	<u>Technology Fee.....</u>	<u>\$90.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$2052.00</b>
<b>Summer</b>	Books/Course Lab Packets.....	\$400.00
	<u>ATI Testing Fees.....</u>	<u>\$605.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1005.00</b>
<b>Fall</b>	Books/Course Lab Packets.....	\$575.00
	Lab Fee (NUR 210 and 215).....	\$50.00
	Exam Soft .....	\$135.00
	ATI Testing Fees.....	\$605.00
	HESI Exit Exam .....	\$75.00
	State Board Application Fee .....	\$97.00
	NCLEX-RN Application Fee .....	\$200.00
	Criminal Background / Fingerprinting.....	\$55.00
	1 – 2 x 2 Full Face B & W Photograph.....	\$15.00
	Uniform .....	\$65.00
	Nursing Pin .....	\$50 - 250.00
	<u>Graduation Fee.....</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2142.00</b>
<b>Program Total.....</b>		<b>\$6309.00</b>

**ADN Transition and Flex  
Selective Ranking Score Sheet: Published 02.17.22**

<b>STUDENT:</b>	<b>OCtech ID#:</b>	<b>SPRING 2023</b>		
<p><b>TRANSITION:</b> To submit an application package, students must hold an LPN license or be enrolled in the final semester of the OCtech LPN program AND meet one of the specified reading criteria: *Accuplacer Reading – 71 or higher; Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250 or higher; SAT Reading – 26; ACT Reading – 19; or score 65 or higher on the *TEAS Reading test AND have a minimum GPA of 2.50 (on a 4.0 scale) on any previous college work used to meet general education requirements in the ADN Nursing Program. Students who have received AP credit or credit by exemption (E) will receive 4 points for 4-credit hour courses and 3 points for 3-credit hour courses for the REQUIRED courses only. Points will be awarded based on the highest course grades received.</p> <p><b>FLEX:</b> To submit an application package, students must hold an LPN license or be enrolled in the final semester of the OCtech LPN program and must meet one of the specified reading criteria: *Accuplacer Reading – 71 or higher; Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250 or higher ; SAT Reading- 26; ACT Reading 19; or score 65 or higher on the *TEAS Reading test <u>AND complete ALL required program general education courses</u> prior to admission into the clinical ADN program with a 3.0 or higher GPA on required courses. Points will be awarded based on the highest course grade received.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*Accuplacer and TEAS scores must be within five years. TEAS must be version V or ATI TEAS.</p>				
<b>ATI RN Fundamental Exam</b>	Level 2 or above required through the OCtech Testing Center (must be within two years).	Level →		
<b>Drug Calculations Exam</b>	80% proficiency or above required through the OCtech Testing Center (must be within two years).	Level →		
<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Considerations</b>	<b>Scoring</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Points</b>
<b>MAT 105/102 or higher</b> <i>(advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</i>	Review of student's transcript to verify points  MAT 110 or higher recommended for transfer.	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>BIO 210 ANATOMY &amp; PHYSIOLOGY I –</b> <i>(advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</i>	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 9 B = 5 C = 3 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 4		
<b>ENG 101</b> ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>PSY 201</b> GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>Humanities Elective</b>	Review of student's transcript to verify points  Students planning to transfer should select a transferable humanities course.	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		



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Criteria	Considerations	Scoring	Grade	Points
<b>BIO 211 ANATOMY &amp; PHYSIOLOGY II – (advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</b>	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 9 B = 5 C = 3 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 4		
<b>BIO 225 MICROBIOLOGY – (advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</b>	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 9 B = 5 C = 3 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 4		
<b>AHS 210 (or BIO 240) NUTRITION FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS</b>	Transferable course under university specific transfer agreements  Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>Additional Points Allowed - for current certificate or licensure in health-related field</b>	<b>MUST include a copy of current certificate, and/or license in order to receive the points</b>  <b>(or provide documentation of successful course or program completion if not currently certified or licensed)</b>  <b>(other certifications must be approved by Dean)</b>	Certificate, Diploma, or higher in a Health-Related field from an accredited college program. (these include: CNA, PCT, EMT, Paramedic, Surg Tech, OTA, MLT, Pharm Tech, Dental Hygienist, Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, Dialysis Tech, ECG, Phlebotomy) = receive 3 points – (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 certificate/degree)  <b>LPN/RAD/RES/PTA receive 4 points</b>		
<b>Additional Points Allowed - for degree completion</b>		Associate/Bachelor/Master/ PhD Degree = 2 points – (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 degree)		
<b>Additional Points Allowed - for residency</b>		Calhoun or Orangeburg County Residency = 2 Points		
<b>Maximum Possible Score = 60 Points</b>		Total Score		

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