

LPN/Paramedic Pathway (Bridge) Application Instructions – Department of Nursing

The online application for the Spring LPN/Paramedic Pathway (Bridge) cohort will open July 15 and remain open until October 15 annually. The online application for the Summer LPN/Paramedic Pathway (Bridge) cohort will open January 1 and remain open until April 1 annually.

Admission Requirements:

- 1. Complete the Dalton State College admission process by the application deadline. Application for admission is available at https://www.daltonstate.edu/admissions/application.cms. Applicants must be officially accepted to Dalton State prior to submitting an application to the LPN/Paramedic Pathway cohort. Applicants should verify with the Registrar's office that ALL transcripts have been received and evaluated by the Registrar's office before applying to the LPN/Paramedic Bridge program. Applicants should also have an active Dalton State email address.
- 2. High school graduate or G.E.D. equivalent.
- 3. Applicants must wait one semester to be eligible to apply after completing the LPN degree or Paramedic program and must be licensed or certified as an LPN or Paramedic by the application deadline.

Selection Criteria:

Applicants must meet all selection criteria to be eligible for class selection.

- 1. Completion of Biology 2251K (formerly 2212K A&P I), Biology 2252K (formerly 2252K A&P II), Biology 2260K (formerly 2215K Microbiology), English 1101, and either Math 1001, Math 1101, Math 1111, or Math 1113 prior to applying for the LPN/Paramedic Pathway (Bridge). Biology 2251K, 2252K, & B2260K must have been completed in the past 6 years or applicants must repeat the course or successfully pass an exemption exam available through the Dalton State Testing Center. Additional information about the biology exemption exams is available from the Testing Center at testingcenter@daltonstate.edu. Beginning Spring 2024, Dalton State will accept transfer credit for BIOL 2251K, BIOL 2252K, and BIOL 2260K from the Technical College System of Georgia.
- 2. The overall GPA (all course work from all colleges attended) earned through fall semester for the summer cohort or summer semester for the spring cohort will be used for ranking purposes. The overall GPA must be at least 2.75.
- 3. Submission of the LPN/Paramedic Pathway (Bridge) application by the application deadline. .
- 4. Applicants must score 60th percentile or above on the TEAS Test (overall percentage score) for class selection. TEAS scores must be obtained within the last three years and must be submitted by the application deadline. Applicants who take the TEAS test at another testing site are responsible for having official scores sent to the Nursing Department Administrative Assistant by the application deadline.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants must also complete the other general education courses listed on the program of study sheet to satisfy the requirements for the ASN degree.