RN-BSN APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The RN-BSN program at Dalton State participates in the Georgia RN-BSN Articulation Plan developed by collaborative efforts of ASN and BSN nursing educators. The RN-BSN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road, N.E., Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326. Phone (404) 975-5000; Fax (404) 975-5020; www.acenursing.org. To be eligible to participate in this program, a student must meet the following criteria:

A. Graduation from an ASN or Diploma program within the past four (4) years.

OR

B. Graduation from an ASN or Diploma program more than four (4) years ago with documentation of 1000 hours of practice within the past 3 years.

APPLICANTS MUST ALSO

C. Hold a current, unencumbered, valid license to practice nursing at the time of application. Student must present licensure documentation as part of the application packet. ASN graduates who meet the above requirements will receive transfer credit for 20 hours of nursing credit for associate degree nursing courses and 19 hours of "credit by exam" after completing nine (9) hours of upper division nursing courses.

D. Have a minimum 2.75 overall GPA.

E. Complete at least 50 hours of core which includes 33 semester hours from the ASN program; 11 semester hours from Area D – Natural Sciences, Math, and Technology; 3 semester hours from Area E - Lower Division Major Requirements (SOCI 1101 - Introduction to Sociology), and 3 semester hours from Area F – Lower Division Major Requirements (PSYC 2103 – Human Development). In order to be considered for selection, these 11 hours must be completed by the November 15 deadline for the spring cohort. All CLEP testing must be submitted to the Department of Nursing office by the application deadline (November 15).

F. Be admitted to Dalton State College and complete a separate online admission application to the Bachelor’s Degree Nursing Department.

G. Submit references from three (3) professional sources. (If a recent graduate within five (5) years, one reference should be an instructor from your nursing classes).

NOTE: Acceptance to Dalton State DOES NOT mean acceptance into the RN-BSN nursing sequence. Students will be notified by mail of acceptance into the fall cohort by December 5, 2017.

A COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET WILL INCLUDE:

1. Submission of Online Application Form
2. Employment Verification Form (if applicable)
3. Current, unencumbered nursing license
4. Current resume
5. Current evidence of Basic Life Support (BLS) certification
6. Unofficial college transcripts from all colleges attended (this is the responsibility of the student to provide)
7. Official CLEP scores (this is the responsibility of the student to provide)
8. References from three (3) professional sources. (If a recent graduate within the past five (5) years, one (1) reference should be from an instructor from your nursing classes)

INCOMPLETE PACKETS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED!