

**Temple College
ADN Bridging Track
Info Packet 2026**
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The ADN Bridging Track prepares Licensed Vocational Nurses and Paramedics/Medics to transition into the professional nursing role. Upon completion, graduates receive an Associate of Applied Science degree which qualifies them to apply for the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN) for registered nursing.

The ADN Bridging Track is approved by the Texas Board of Nursing www.bon.texas.gov and has continuing accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, 404-975-5000, 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326.

Summer 2026 cohort:

- Application window will open **January 6, 2026** and close **February 5, 2026**.
- Notification of admission decisions to be sent in **Spring 2026**

Optional In-Person Information Session Dates:

- September 26, 2025
- December 16, 2025
- April 14, 2026

All Information Sessions will be held in the Dell Martin Nursing Education Building (building 10 on the [campus map](#)) at 4:00 pm.

Please follow our social media and webpage for the most up-to-date information.

Step 1 – Apply for Admission to Temple College

Apply for admission to Temple College by clicking the “[Apply Now](#)” button on any TC web page. Choose the Pre-Nursing degree program. You must meet all TSI requirements in order to apply for nursing. Please verify that your legal name and address are correct within the Temple College system. Nursing program applicants must be 18 years old by the first day of class.

- 1) Submit official transcripts that confirm graduation from a VN or Paramedic/Medic program to TC Admissions & Records
- 2) Attend an initial advising session that includes mandatory identity verification (photo ID required).

To be eligible to proceed with the Associate Degree Nursing Bridging program application, you must possess one of the following:

- A valid **Texas VN license** in good standing, without disciplinary action or stipulations **AND** license should say “unencumbered” (not just “Compact License”).
- A **current Texas Paramedic license or Medic/Corpsman certificate**.
- If you are a **currently enrolled VN student** at the time of application, you must successfully complete your VN program before the start of the Bridging program. If

selected, you will be given a deadline to pass NCLEX-PN on your first attempt in order to continue in the program.

Your professional license must remain current throughout the program.

If you graduated one year or more before applying, you must have worked as an LVN or Paramedic for at least **6 months full-time or 1 year part time** within the 12 months prior to your application. You may be asked to provide proof of employment.

To be eligible to proceed with the ADN Bridging program application, you must complete the prerequisite courses below with a minimum grade of “C” or better.

- **BIOL 2401** Anatomy and Physiology I
- **BIOL 2402** Anatomy and Physiology II
All Biology courses must be within 10 years of application)
- **ENGL 1301** Composition I
- **PSYC 2301** General Psychology

You must have a 2.8 or higher GPA in all prerequisite and any completed corequisite courses in the ADN Bridging degree plan in order to apply.

Note: You are responsible for ensuring you meet the ADN Bridging prerequisite requirements. Before applying, confirm that any prerequisite or completed corequisite courses from other institutions are equivalent to Temple College courses. After applying for admission to TC, send your official transcripts to Admissions and Records, then contact the Advising Office at advisingcenter@templecollege.edu for course evaluation.

Next, you will need to schedule and take the **HESI Admission Assessment (A2)**. Please refer to the [HESI A2 Requirements & Frequently Asked Questions](#) document on the Associate Degree Nursing web page for complete information on testing requirements and resources.

Step 2 - Apply to the Temple College ADN Bridging Program

To submit the online ADN Bridging Track Application during the application window (see dates above):

- Go to the Temple College [Associate Degree Nursing](#) webpage.
- **Before applying**, read the following documents located under the **Application Procedure** tab:
 - [Application Instructions](#)
 - [Transcripts and Transfer Information](#)
 - [HESI A2 Requirements & Frequently Asked Questions](#)
 - [Texas Board of Nursing Background Check Process](#)
 - [Immunizations, CPR & Drug Screening](#)
 - [Core Performance Standards](#)
 - [Curriculum Outline for ADN Bridging](#)
 - [Estimated Cost & Financial Aid Information](#)
- Click on the **Apply to Nursing** button on that page to start a NEW nursing application. Use your personal email account to log in. To complete a saved application or review a previously completed nursing application, go to your My Leopard Profile. **Only use the**

Apply to Nursing button ONCE. You will receive reminder message for each application you create by clicking the button.

After you submit the nursing application, you will need to log back into your My Leopard Profile, select the submitted application, and upload the following supplemental items to complete your application **before the application deadline**:

- HESI A2 results (see [HESI A2 Requirements & Frequently Asked Questions](#))
- Unofficial college transcripts that contain nursing prerequisites, completed corequisites, and any nursing or EMT courses taken at any college including the college where you completed your VN or EMT program. (You will send official transcripts to A&R and unofficial transcripts to TC Nursing by uploading them to your Nursing application).
- Current VN or Paramedic license that states unencumbered (nursing) or active/current (paramedic) OR evidence of a current Corpsman/Medic certificate. See Application Instructions & Checklist for ADN Bridging Track online for more information.

The application is only available during the application window dates listed on the first page. It can take up to 6 weeks to process applications after the deadline.

Selection Criteria

Admission to the ADN Bridging program is competitive and not all applicants will be accepted. There are 12 total points available. Candidates are ranked according to the total number of points earned in each of the 4 categories below:

1. GPA (for prerequisite and any completed corequisite courses):

Less than 2.80 = ineligible to apply
2.8 to 3.0 = 1 point
3.01 to 3.26 = 2 points
3.27 to 3.52 = 3 points
3.53 to 3.78 = 4 points
3.79 to 4.0 = 5 points

2. HESI A2 Cumulative Score:

80 to 84 = no points
85 to 88 = 1 point
89 to 92 = 2 points
93 to 96 = 3 points
97 to 100 = 4 points

3. Number of corequisite courses completed:

1 completed corequisite course = 1 point; 2 completed corequisite courses = 2 points

4. TC VN or Paramedic Graduate or Service Area Resident:

If you are a TC graduate from the VN or Paramedic program, you earn one point.
If you are not a TC VN or Paramedic graduate, but you live in the Temple College Service Area (per the address we have on file, which may differ from the one you submit on your Nursing application), you will earn one point. Only one point is available for this category.

Nursing Course Failures - A nursing course failure is any grade lower than a "C". This also includes "WF" grades and any other grade indicated on the sending institution's grading scheme, as stated on the official transcript. Note: for ADN Bridging applicants, "nursing course failure" applies to failed EMS courses as well as Nursing courses.

- If you have one nursing course failure (in an RN or VN program) within the last **10 years**, it will result in a **1-point deduction** from your ADN/Bridging admission score.
- If you have one nursing course failure (in an RN or VN program) within the last **3 years**, you may be **admitted to the program only once**.
- If you have two or more nursing course failures (in an RN or VN program) within the last **3 years**, you are **not eligible to apply** for admission or readmission to the program.

Conditional Admission Requirements

After all qualified applications have been reviewed and ranked, we will select our class cohort. Applicants will be notified by email whether or not they are conditionally accepted into the program. **If conditionally accepted into the program**, you will receive instructions on completing the following requirements. DO NOT submit any of these items with your application.

- 1) An acknowledgment that you are able to meet the [Core Performance Standards for Nursing](#) will be required.
- 2) [Immunizations, CPR and Drug Screening](#) required by our clinical partners (these must be kept current throughout the program):
- 3) **Health Insurance** is a requirement for some of the clinical sites our nursing students attend. If you do not currently have health insurance and do not plan to get health insurance upon enrollment, it will limit the number of clinical sites you are eligible to attend. However, it is not required for admission to Temple College or attendance in the Associate Degree Nursing program.
- 4) A satisfactory **background check** - specific instructions will be sent via email after you apply for the program. All applicants will be asked to complete a background check. See the [Texas Board of Nursing Background Check Process](#) document on the ADN web page for complete information on this topic. **Do not wait until you are selected to begin the fingerprinting process. Clinical facilities may also conduct background checks. It may be necessary to deny admission or dismiss students from the program if they are barred from practicing at any healthcare facility.**

Time Commitment

- **Clinical courses** generally require 12 contact hours per week. Clinical courses may include day, evening, and weekend hours. Some clinical sites are located outside of Temple.
- **Mandatory Orientations** are required prior to beginning the program and prior to going to clinical facilities. These are held outside of regular class hours.

Nursing applicants shall abide by the Temple College Academic Integrity policy, located in our [Student Handbook](#). Any violation of our Academic Integrity Policy, including submitting falsified information or using prohibited resources on entrance exams, will result in disqualification from applying to the program. We uphold the highest standards of integrity and expect all applicants to do the same.