Nursing

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The impending shortage of practitioners and current critical shortage of educators is leading to multiple options for those interested in the nursing profession. Jobs are available nationwide in a wide range of settings with excellent salaries and opportunities for growth. At Alfred State, we are preparing students to be designers, coordinators, and managers of health care. Our students graduate as leaders contributing to the advancement of health care and the profession itself. The Nursing Department offers an associate degree nursing program accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

The associate degree is designed to prepare individuals to become registered nurses (RNs). Students of this program become eligible to take the NCLEX-RN licensing exam and receive excellent clinical preparation in a variety of settings.

Alfred State nursing AAS graduates may enter directly into the Alfred State bachelor's degree program in nursing. The AAS program can be completed full-time in two years or part-time as the student desires and is a face-to-face model. The upper-level nursing courses are offered in an online format.

MISSION

Foster the development and growth of professional nurses in a rural environment. Nursing practice exhibits compassion, caring, and lifelong learning.

FACILITIES

- Physical & Health Sciences Building This beautiful showcase facility, which opened in 2012 following an \$18.5 million renovation project, houses the Nursing Department.
- Nursing skills lab The lab utilizes state-of-the-art equipment including mid-fidelity manikins, newborn manikin SimNewB, and a PROMPT Birthing Simulator to complement and reinforce the learning that takes place in clinical experiences at area hospitals. This lab simulates a hospital floor setting with six stations and six VitalSim™ manikins. Each station is fully equipped for the student to learn and practice clinical skills in an acute care setting.
- **High-fidelity simulation labs** These two high-fidelity simulation labs each house a SimMan 3G® manikin. The simulation observation room is equipped with computers and monitors to record simulation activities.
- Practice lab Students have access to two stations that simulate a hospital floor setting with two stations, and two VitalSim™ manikins within this lab.
- Public Health Simulation In addition to the above skills labs, there are facilities for students in Nursing and Allied Health to participate in simulations to promote learning in settings outside of acute care.

DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Nursing (AAS) Nursing Dual Degree (Nursing AAS/BS) RN to BS in Nursing Practical Nursing (CERT)