

Health Studies (BS Professional Track, BS Non-Professional Track)

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Program Application

ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY- JONESBORO

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STUDIES

APPLICATION INFORMATION

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN A-STATE'S HEALTH STUDIES PROGRAM. PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE COMPLETED EVERY STEP BELOW, AND THAT YOU HAVE ENCLOSED ALL DOCUMENTS BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION. STUDENTS APPLYING TO THE HEALTH STUDIES PROGRAM MUST ALSO APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY. CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS, P. O. BOX 1630, STATE UNIVERSITY (JONESBORO), AR 72467 OR PHONE (870) 972-3024.

IF YOUR CGPA IS BELOW 2.5, YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION AT THIS TIME.

Application materials are accepted throughout the academic year with the following deadlines:

Fall start March 15th

Spring start October 15th

NOTES ON THE APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

1. The submitted application packet is to consist of a completed application form and college/university transcripts of all college work attempted.
2. Applications are not reviewed on a first come/first served basis.
3. The minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) for admission is 2.50.
4. Factors considered in the application process include the following:
 1. Cumulative grade point average
 2. Completion of 45 semester credit hours
 3. **For the non-professional track:** completion of HP 2112, Introduction to the U.S. Healthcare System.
 4. **For the professional track:** completion of OTA 2022 Emergence of OT Science **OR** PTA 2252 Clinical Education I **OR** equivalent for other allied health graduates.

5. Applications received after October 15th for Spring or March 15th for fall will not be accepted.
6. Foreign-born applicants must submit test scores of English proficiency with their application. English proficiency documentation includes one of the following:
 1. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) – minimum score of 83 on the preferred internet-based test (iBT), 570 on the paper-based test, or 213 on the computer-based test
 2. International English Language Testing System (IELTS) – minimum score of 6.5 and a spoken band score of 7
 3. Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE) – minimum score of 56

Only a completed application packet, consisting of the application form and transcripts of all college and/or high school work attempted, will be accepted for review. The application may be taken to Eugene W. Smith Hall - Room 410, or mailed to the following address:

Health Studies Program
Attention: BSHS Program Director
College of Nursing and Health Professions
Arkansas State University - Jonesboro
P.O. Box 910
State University, AR 72467

Arkansas State University is an equal opportunity institution and will not discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, impediment/disability, or unlawful factors in the admission and treatment of students.

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APPLICATION FORM

Please select one of the following:

An application for admission to Arkansas State University - Jonesboro:

☐ has been submitted OR

☐ is being submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records, P.O. Box 1630, State University, AR 72467 (phone 870-972-3024).

Date of submission (month _____ , day _____ , year _____).

OR

☐ Current student of A-State Jonesboro

Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

A-State ID# _____

Phone Number: _____

(current A-State Student)

Present Address: _____

City

State

Zip

Permanent Address: _____

(if different)

City

State

Zip

Notification of admission decision should be sent to the A-State email address listed below or other if not a current A-State student.

Email: A-State: _____

Other: _____

High School/Hometown: _____

Including this semester, how many college credits do you currently have? _____

What is your current cumulative GPA _____

List all colleges, universities or other secondary institutions attended since high school, credits earned, and degree(s) if applicable. **Transcript submission is not required for current A-State students.** Transfer students should submit transcripts from each institution.

College/University	#Credits/Degree	Date Attended

Do you have proficiency in another language? No Spanish Other: _____

Were you born in a foreign country? Yes No If yes, what country? _____

All applicants, please respond to the following question:

Do you have work experience in a health care institution? If so, briefly describe:

All applicants, please read the following statement, sign, and date:

I hereby affirm that all information supplied on this application is complete and accurate. It is my understanding that I will not be considered for admission to this program until I have submitted all credentials specified.

Signature

Date

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Health Studies Welcome Letter

Bachelor of Science in Health Studies Program

Bachelor of Science in Health Studies Prerequisite Courses:

- **Professional Track-** completion of OTA 2022 Emergence of OT Science **OR** PTA 2252 Clinical Education I **OR** equivalent for other allied health graduates.
- **Non-Professional track-** completion of HP 2112, Introduction to the U.S. Healthcare System.

The Bachelor of Science in Health Studies program is available as either a face-to-face program at the traditional Arkansas State University – Jonesboro campus or through AOS or as a 100% online program.

Admission Requirements:

- Program Application (paper for face-to-face program, online for AOS program)
- Official Transcripts
- Completion of at least 45 credit hours
- 2.5 Cumulative GPA

Multiple pathways are available to admittance at A-State, you should reach out to an enrollment specialist or academic advisor for assistance with the admissions process. The program director will be happy to connect you with someone to help with the admissions process.

Program Requirements:

Many traditional, face-to-face courses are offered in the 15-week format during the fall and spring semesters and 5-week or 10-week format during the summer term. Online general education courses and Health Studies program courses are offered in the 7-week format during fall, spring and summer semesters.

To earn your Bachelor of Science in Health Studies, you need to complete 120 credit hours of coursework whether you take the Professional Track or Non-Professional Track. The program includes 38 credit hours of general education courses, 47 credit hours of major courses, 3-17 credit hours of support courses and 6-18 credit hours of electives dependent upon track pursued.

Program Tracks:

Professional Track- provides a transition from an Associate's degree in Applied Sciences such as PTA, OTA, radiography, respiratory therapy, surgical technology, etc. to a Bachelor's degree.

Non-professional Track- includes a 120-credit hour degree plan. This degree does not lead to a professional credential or state licensure. It does prepare students for roles in community health, support services, health care navigation, claims services, medical sales and patient services.

Previously earned credit hours and transfer credit hours:

Transfer credit hours will be evaluated during the admission process. If you have previously earned degrees in a related discipline or experiential learning, please reach out to the program director, an enrollment specialist, or academic advisor to discuss potential options for prior learning assessments or articulated credits.

Please reach out with any questions about the Bachelor of Science in Health Studies program.

Welcome to A-State! We are excited for you to join our PACK!

Dr. Deanna Barymon

Assistant Professor and Program Director

Health Studies Program

Department of Health Sciences & Risk Management

College of Nursing and Health Professions

Arkansas State University – Jonesboro

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Health Studies Non-Professional Track 8-Semester Degree Plan

Arkansas State University- Jonesboro

Health Studies - Non-professional Track

Bachelor of Science

Suggested Curriculum 2026-27

Year 1 FALL

ENGL 10103	Composition I
UNIV 11033	Making Connections
2 credits	Electives
MATH 11003	College Algebra
BIOL 24003	Human A&P I
BIOL 24001	Human A&P I Lab

Year 1 SPRING

ENGL 10203	Composition II
SPCH 10003	Oral Communication
2 credits	Electives
3 credits	Physical Science
1 credit	Physical Science lab
3 credits	Social Science

Year 2 FALL

PSYC 11003	Intro to Psychology
HPMT 22003	Medical Terminology
SOCI 20103	Social Problems <u>or</u>
SCWK 22233	Social Problems
DIET 22203	Basic Human Nutrition
3 credits	Fine Arts

Year 2 SPRING

HPMT 22102	Intro to US Healthcare
HEAL 10003	Princ of Personal Health
DPEM 22233	HC Emergency Mgmt
3 credits	US History or Government
3 credits	Humanities
1 credit	Elective

Year 3 FALL

HPMT 33403	Cultural Competence in HP
HPMT 33103	Introduction to Disease
HPMT 33233	Preventive Health
HPMT 33353	Public Health
3 credits	Elective

Year 3 SPRING

HPMT 33783	Issues in Mental Health
HPMT 33343	Quality Improvement in HC
HPMT 33463	Intro to Pharmaceuticals
HPMT 33673	Critical Issues in Health
3 credits	Elective

Year 4 FALL

PHIL 33703	Ethics in Health Professions <u>or</u>
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Year 4 SPRING

4 credits	Electives
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DPEM 33503	Prin of Disaster Management	HPMT 44103	Patient Education
HPMT 44203	Chronic Illness	HPMT 44443	Healthcare Management
HPMT 44303	Patient Safety	MLSC 44202	Interpreting Lab Data
HPMT 33453	Healthcare Advocacy & Navigation	HPMT 44543	Healthcare Service Delivery
3 credits	Elective		

Upon completion of the curriculum, the student is awarded a baccalaureate degree in Health Studies.

Health Studies Professional Track 8-Semester Degree Plan

Arkansas State University- Jonesboro

Health Studies - Professional Track

Bachelor of Science

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Year 1 FALL

ENGL 10103	Composition I
UNIV 11033	Making Connections*
2 credits	Electives
MATH 11003	College Algebra*
BIOL 24003	Human A&P I
BIOL 24001	Human A&P I Lab

Year 1 SPRING

ENGL 10203	Composition II
3 credits	US History/Government
2 credits	Electives
3 credits	Physical Science
1 credit	Physical Science lab
3 credits	Computer class (AAS-req)

Year 2 FALL

Year 2 SPRING

Completion of professional AAS degree (e.g. PTA, OTA, Paramedic, etc.) – 38 cr. hrs.

Year 3 FALL

6 credits	Fine Arts/Humanities
PSYC 11003	Introduction to Psychology
HPMT 33353	Public Health
HPMT 33233	Preventive Health

Year 3 SPRING

HPMT 33783	Issues in Mental Health
HPMT 33343	Quality Improvement in Health Care
HPMT 33463	Intro to Pharmaceuticals
HPMT 33673	Critical Issues in Health
SPCH 10003	Oral Communication

Year 4 FALL

PHIL 33703	Ethics in Health Professions <u>or</u>
DPEM 33503	Prin of Disaster Management
HPMT 44203	Chronic Illness
HPMT 44303	Patient Safety

Year 4 SPRING

4 credits	Upper Division Electives
HPMT 44103	Patient Education
HPMT 44443	Healthcare Management
MLSC 44202	Interpreting Lab Data

HPMT 33453 Healthcare Advocacy & Navigation HPMT 44543 Healthcare Service Delivery
3 credits Social Science

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*Specific Making Connections and Math general education courses may be required by the professional AAS degree chosen.