



Catalog Supplement

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Notice to students and prospective students: The Network Engineering and Administration Associate of Science degree program at Southern Technical College has completed its teach-out. The campus will no longer be enrolling for this program.

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Notice to students and prospective students: The Associate of Science in Nursing program at Southern Technical College – Fort Myers, FL has been placed on probation by the Florida Board of Nursing, due to noncompliance with its first time NCLEX passage rate standard.

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ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

To be admitted to Southern Technical College (STC), a prospective student must complete an interview with a Southern Technical College Admissions Representative and submit a completed enrollment agreement. All applicants must have proof of standard high school graduation or completion of a General Equivalency Diploma (GED). Only students who possess a standard high school diploma or have completed equivalent coursework as certified by the applicable state department of education shall be eligible for admission to Southern Technical College. Proof of high school graduation must be provided prior to the student's first day of attendance. The following documents are valid proof of graduation:

- copy of high school diploma or GED certificate;
- official or unofficial high school or GED transcripts;
- signed affidavit of successful home school completion and copy of home school transcript;
- letter from Board of Education stating student graduated (for home school students);
- official academic transcript that indicates successful completion of at least an associate degree program at an accredited institution;
- signed letter from the high school on school letterhead or a letter from the state records office including the graduation date and the type of diploma granted or credential earned;
- copy of form DD 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) indicating high school completion;
- high school credentials from foreign institutions must be translated and evaluated by a third-party agency.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A student must meet the following requirements to qualify for graduation from any program of study:

- Successfully complete all courses in their program of study with a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 or higher, depending on programmatic requirements.
- Meet or exceed the minimum standards of satisfactory academic progress.
- Satisfy all applicable programmatic requirements.
- Satisfy all financial obligations to the College.
- Surgical Technician students must attempt an approved surgical technology exam upon completion of all courses and prior to graduation. Additional information is available through the Program Manager.
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography students must register and sit for the ARRT Sonography examination or ARDMS specialty examination within 30 days upon completion of the program. *In order to sit for the ARDMS specialty examination students must meet STC DMS programmatic requirements prior to registration. Students must take*



and pass two mock-registry examinations to fulfill the requirements to sit for the ARDMS registry exam. If a student does not achieve a score of 80% or higher in each individual mock-registry exam he/she will automatically be registered to take the ARRT Sonography examination.

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Effective October 3, 2022

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In response to Hurricane Ian, the H grade was added to the grading system. This grade was assigned to students who were unable to complete their coursework from the Summer 2022 quarter or the September 2022 module as a result of the hurricane. The H grade has the same impact on the cumulative grade point average and on satisfactory academic progress as the Incomplete grade. If a student does not reconcile the H grade by October 28, the final grade will be calculated based on the coursework that was completed. The grade will be retired on October 28.

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In response to Hurricane Ian, Ft Myers and Port Charlotte students impacted by Hurricane Ian who were not able to start the October 3, 2022 grading period may request a Leave of Absence using the standard Leave of Absence form. Through October 14, if the student is not able to complete the request form, the leave may be requested by text or email and must clearly state that the reason for the leave is the hurricane.

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General Entrance Requirements

Applicants must provide a copy of a driver's license, birth certificate, or other form of documentation that indicates the applicant's date of birth.

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Legal Ownership/Governing Body

Southern Technical College Suncoast, LLC is a privately held corporation doing business as Southern Technical College. Southern Technical College Suncoast, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern Technical Holdings, LLC and STC Intermediate LLC. Brent L. Mills, Inc. wholly owns STC Intermediate LLC.

Brent L. Mills, Inc., a privately held Delaware company, is owned and operated by Brent L. Mills and Todd Q. Swanson. Brent L. Mills Inc. currently owns or operates Blue Cliff College (ACCSC), Blake Austin College (COE) and ATA College (ABHES) with eleven campuses across eight states.

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Attendance Policy

In Nursing courses, attendance, timeliness, class participation, in class assignments and other assigned activities by the Instructor may count for less than 15% of the total grade.

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Career Pathways Program

Applicants are not required to pass all three sections of the Accuplacer in one sitting. Also, applicants may attempt the test a second time 14 days after the first attempt, and may attempt the test a third time 14 days after the second attempt.

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Nursing Program: Course Descriptions

NUR120 Beginning Medical/Surgical Nursing (3 cr.)

This course introduces the student to nursing care of diverse adult and geriatric populations with common medical/surgical health problems in the acute care setting. Applications of pathophysiology, nutrition and pharmacology are applied. Students will learn advanced nursing skills, delegation, prioritization and documentation during this course. Prerequisite(s): NUR100, NUR102, NUR104, NUR108 and NUR110.

NUR220 Medical/Surgical Nursing (3 cr.)

This course introduces the student to nursing care of diverse adult and geriatric populations with complex medical/surgical health problems in the acute care setting. Applications of pathophysiology, nutrition, and pharmacology are applied. Students will continue to master delegation, prioritization and documentation along with complex nursing skills to render safe, culturally competent client care. Prerequisite(s): NUR232, NUR234, NUR242, NUR244 and DEP200.

Effective January 26, 2023

Catalog Page 6, Administration

The Administration section, Dr. Sharon Toler (Director of Accreditation and Licensure) is removed, and Ms. Sarah Cruz Mendoza (Compliance Manager) is added.

Catalog, Page 4, 2022-2023 Academic Calendar

The Winter B Modular Term starts on February 6, 2023, and ends on March 2, 2023.

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The Network Engineering and Administration Associate of Science degree program is in teach-out at the Fort Myers campus. This campus is no longer enrolling into the program.

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Nursing Program Academic Progression Requirements

Notification

A student who receives a failing grade in a course with an NUR prefix will be advised by the Director of Nursing or designee. The advising session will include a review of the academic progression requirements, notification that continued unsatisfactory academic progress including a second course failure will result in withdrawal from the program, and information on strategies and resources available to the student to help achieve success. This advisement will be documented on the Academic Advising Form and will be signed by the student and by the designated advisor.

A student who is withdrawn from the program for not meeting nursing academic progression standards is advised in writing of the withdrawal. Additionally, the student is encouraged to meet with the Director of Nursing or designee to discuss the reasons for the withdrawal and to discuss the appeal process, if that is available to the student.

A student who submits an appeal after failing to meet nursing academic progression requirements is notified of the results of the appeal both in writing and verbally. Prior to sending the written notification, the campus will contact the student following the review of the appeal to schedule a meeting. If the appeal is approved, the re-entry process and timeline will be explained, and a plan for success will be created. If the appeal is denied, the rationale will be provided.

If a student taking co-requisite courses is dropped or withdraws from one or more of the co-requisite courses, the student will be dropped from the other co-requisite courses.

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Accreditation

The Associate of Science degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography program at the Tampa campus is also programmatically accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (JRC-DMS). Additional information regarding this institution may be obtained by contacting CAAHEP at 9355 113th St. N, #7709, Seminole, FL 33775, or (727) 210-2350 or www.caahep.org. Additional information may also be obtained by contacting the Joint Review Commission on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (JRC-DMS) at 6021 University Boulevard Suite 500, Ellicott City, MD 21043, or (443) 973-3251 or www.jrcdms.org.

Effective March 31, 2023

Catalog, Page 6, Administration

The Administration section, Mr. Reid Allison (Chief Executive Officer) is removed.

Effective April 17, 2023

Catalog Page 27, Graduation Requirements

Students in the Associate of Science degree in Nursing program must achieve VATI Predictor Greenlight.

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Nursing Program: Course Titles on Program Chart and Course Descriptions



NUR120 Beginning Medical/Surgical Nursing (3 cr.) course title is changed to NUR120 Medical Surgical Nursing I (3 cr.)

NUR124 Beginning Medical/Surgical Nursing Clinical (4 cr.) course title is changed to NUR124 Medical Surgical Nursing I Clinical (4 cr.)

NUR220 Medical/Surgical Nursing (3 cr.) course title is changed to NUR220 Medical Surgical Nursing II (3 cr.)

NUR224 Medical/Surgical Nursing Clinical (4 cr.) course title is changed to NUR224 Medical Surgical Nursing II Clinical (4 cr.)

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Nursing Program: Course Descriptions

NUR252 Mental Health Nursing (3 cr.)

The primary focus of this course is nursing management of the major psychiatric and neuropsychiatric disorders. Primary prevention, early intervention and treatment for alterations in thought, mood and behavior are stressed. The role of the professional nurse as a partner within a multidisciplinary team is introduced. Medication and medical treatments are identified. Prerequisite(s): NUR242, NUR244 and DEP200.

NUR254 Mental Health Clinical (2 cr.)

This course provides selected patient experiences in mental health settings that assist the student to integrate content from the classroom with patient care. The emphasis of this course is to apply theory, concepts, and skills related to mental health nursing while functioning as a member of the nursing profession, provider of patient centered care to a diverse population, patient safety advocate, and member of the healthcare team in a variety of inpatient and community settings. Prerequisite(s): NUR242, NUR244 and DEP200.

NUR280 Seminar for Beginning Nursing Practice (2 cr.)

This course is designed and focuses on achieving professional success by preparing students for the RN licensure examination. This course assists students in being emotionally, didactically, and technically prepared to take this examination. Students will review how to prepare for this examination through a series of Capstone exams, VATI exams, and group discussions. Various core content subject matter will be reviewed to prepare the student for the comprehensive examination. During this course, the student will take a comprehensive predictability exam to allow the student to assess areas of strengths and areas of growth before taking the RN licensure exam. Prerequisite(s): Completion of all core NUR courses other than the co-requisites.

Catalog, Page 3, 2022-2023 Academic Calendar

The Spring 2023 Term starts on May 15, 2023, and ends on June 30, 2023.

Effective May 19, 2023

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Career Pathways Program

Southern Technical College is no longer enrolling applicants in the Career Pathways Program (CPP).

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Transfer of Credit into the College

Students enrolled in the Nursing program may receive transfer credit for College Algebra only if the credits were earned no more than five years prior to the enrollment date.



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Nursing Program Academic Progression Requirements

For all students who enroll in or re-enroll into the Nursing program on or after July 10, 2023, a minimum of a C is required in all courses in the Nursing program that do not have an NUR prefix. If a student earns a grade lower than a C, the student may repeat the course once.

Effective July 6, 2023

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Nursing Program: Course Titles on Program Chart and Course Descriptions

NUR276 Perioperative Nursing (2 credits) and NUR278 Perioperative Nursing Clinical (2 credits) are longer offered and will be removed from the 2023-2024 Catalog.

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Articulation Agreements

Southern Technical College has articulation agreements with the following:

- Chamberlain University (Fort Myers campus only)
- Grand Canyon University (Fort Myers campus only)

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Accreditation

Southern Technical College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC) to award associate degrees and diplomas (Auburndale, Brandon, Orlando, Port Charlotte, Sanford and Tampa campuses only). The Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges is listed as a recognized accrediting agency by the United States Department of Education and is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. ACCSC may be contacted at 2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 302, Arlington, VA 22201. The telephone number is (703) 247-4212.

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Effective August 9, 2023

Catalog, Page 6, Administration

The Administration section, Dr. Lori Moran (President/Chief Operating Officer) is removed. Mr. Brett Weber (Vice President & Chief Operations Officer) is added.



Effective August 15, 2023

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The teach-out for the Network Engineering and Administration, Associate of Science degree program, is complete at the Fort Myers campus. This campus is no longer enrolling into the program.