



ARKANSAS STATE  
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A Technical Campus  
of ASU-Beebe

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ASU-Searcy provides high quality education for students of all ages in White and surrounding counties. ASU-Searcy is located at 1800 East Moore Avenue in Searcy.

When ASU-Searcy opened its doors in 1966, it was then known as Foothills Vocational Technical School. It consisted of 17 employees and seven programs. Foothills was primarily an educational opportunity for persons who could not or did not want to attend college. In 1991 the name changed to Foothills Technical Institute due to Arkansas legislation. July 1, 2003 Foothills Technical Institute merged with Arkansas State University-Beebe and became Arkansas State University-Searcy, a technical campus of Arkansas State University-Beebe.

Presently the campus has approximately 65 full-time employees and through ASU-Beebe, offers 16 academic programs. This does not include the various continuing education classes offered throughout the year or the classes offered by the Central Arkansas Adult Education Center which is another department completely. ASU-Searcy also operates a high school Vocational Center in Bald Knob to help train high school students in the area. ASU-Searcy draws students from a variety of backgrounds. Some have bachelor's degrees or master's degrees already, but need to be updated on current trends in their fields, especially in technology. Sometimes students enroll as the result of a career change, or just to pick up a new skill through a continuing education or night course.

ASU-Searcy is constantly adapting to strengthen working relationships with business and industry in the area. ASU-Searcy began the Elite Program in 1998, with industry needs as a basis. ELITE (Entry Level Industry Training Education) is a 10-week program designed to help unemployed and under-employed individuals obtain entry-level jobs with area industries. The curriculum consists of courses that business and industry representatives indicated were needed for entry-level employment.

## **Additional Admission Requirements for EMT/Paramedics Program**

1. Proof of two MMR inoculations
2. Proof of Arkansas EMT license/certification in EMT-A or EMT-I
3. Proof of Healthcare Provider CPR

## **Additional Admission Requirements for Practical Nursing Program**

Practical Nursing students must show proof of two MMR inoculations. They must meet the general admissions requirements plus take the Wonderlic & complete the nursing questionnaire. If submitting ACT scores, a minimum of 19 is required in English, Reading, and Math.

**Accepted PN students** will be required to complete a health questionnaire and obtain a physical from the physician of their choice stating that the student

is physically and mentally capable of performing the duties of a practical nurse and is free from any communicable disease. Accepted students will also be required to follow the Hepatitis B policy. Physical forms and Hepatitis B policy forms will be included in the acceptance letter. A drug screening will be conducted during each semester. The approximate cost for each drug screen is \$60.00 (must be paid at the beginning of each semester). The drug screen **cannot** be done as part of the physical exam. If at any time during the school year there is suspicion of drug use, a drug screen will be required at the school's expense. If a student tests positive for drug use at any time during the school year, the student will immediately be terminated from school and receive failing grades in all currently enrolled courses. A student terminated from school because of a positive drug test will have specific requirements to fulfill before they can re-enter the nursing program.

Applicants seeking admission to the Practical Nursing program may be requested to participate in specific pre-enrollment assessments to fulfill Arkansas State University-Searcy or external agency requirements. In addition, certain prerequisites, such as health examinations, may have to be satisfied prior to enrollment in programs.

Students who have completed a portion of the program and are seeking re-entry must meet with the Director of Student Services and the Practical Nursing Department chairperson. Re-entry must be within one (1) calendar year or the entire program will have to be repeated. No more than three (3) re-admissions may occur.

## **Additional Admission Requirements for Shop Area Courses**

Students enrolling in shop area courses must provide proof of Tetanus shot.

## **Additional Academic Probation and Suspension Requirements for Practical Nursing**

The Practical Nursing student is required to obtain a minimum grade of a C or better in each course to be eligible to take the licensure exam. The student will be placed on academic probation at mid-course or at the end of a term if a grade of D is made in any course. If a second final grade of D is made, the student will be terminated from the Practical Nursing program. The course in which the student has been unsuccessful must be repeated. Failure to complete any course with at least a grade of C will prevent the taking of subsequent courses due to prerequisite requirements. A student who is terminated may apply to re-enter when the failed course is offered again if space is available. If a course is not re-entered within a one-year time period, the entire program will have to be repeated. A student must complete the entire program within 2 1/2 years or all the courses will have to be retaken.

A student may re-enter a program or course in some instances. The Director of Student Services and the instructor(s) in the training area must approve re-entering.

**TESTING AT ASU-SEARCY**

Administration of standardized tests is coordinated through the Student Services office. Tests are given at 8:00 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month unless there is a holiday.

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