



ATB ASSOCIATE TO BACHELOR'S NURSING DEGREE OPTION

A COOPERATIVE VENTURE BETWEEN
Community College of Baltimore County and Towson University

Associate-to-Bachelor's (ATB) Degree Completion Option – ATB 1.0: Community College of Baltimore County & Towson University

General Information for this Primarily Online/Hybrid Model

I. General Program Information

This dual enrollment option is available to eligible students once they are accepted to the CCBC Nursing Program. Admission is competitive and based on completed courses and grade point average (GPA). Students will be dually enrolled as degree-seeking students at both CCBC and Towson University (TU). ATB 1.0 students begin their TU courses in the first term of their CCBC nursing program. Once they earn the Associate of Science (A.S.) degree at CCBC, students must pass the NCLEX-RN licensure exam and receive their RN license to continue with their remaining coursework at TU to complete the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree.

Up to 80% of the TU curriculum may be completed online. The first TU course (NURS 349) and the practicum in the final term (NURS 489) require an in-person component. Other courses are typically offered online; the availability of in-person or hybrid course formats may vary depending on student interest and enrollment.

The ATB option requires year-round attendance and takes approximately 2.5 years to complete. Program length is nine terms, including winter and summer sessions. CCBC courses will be held at the CCBC campus where the student is enrolled in the Nursing Program (CCBC Essex or CCBC Catonsville). TU courses will be taken online or at the main TU campus in Towson, MD.

Two degrees will be awarded: A.S. from CCBC and B.S. from TU. Students must meet all program and degree requirements at both institutions to receive the respective degrees. Advisors will be available at both schools.

II. Program Admission Requirements

- A. Admission to the CCBC Nursing Program (selective process based on courses completed, GPA, and TEAS score)
- B. GPA of 3.0 or higher in CCBC required admission courses
- C. Additional required courses (completed by the start of the first nursing course) with a C (2.0) or better:
 - Chemistry (CHEM 107 & 108 or CHEM 131) 4 credits (must include a lab)
 - Nutrition (BIOL 256) 3 credits

Students must also complete a statistics course with a C (2.0) or higher before enrolling in the required nursing research course taken after completion of the associate degree. Due to the year-round plan of study, students are strongly encouraged to complete this requirement prior to starting their nursing program. They may MATH 153 Introduction to Statistics at CCBC.

III. General Application Procedures

Students must apply to both the CCBC A.S. Degree Nursing Program and the TU ATB option by the programs' deadlines. Students who are admitted to the TU ATB option must also apply to Towson University in order to enroll in classes. The TU Department of Nursing will provide instructions to apply and enroll at the university if admission is offered.

Applying to CCBC RN Program

See CCBC application deadlines and procedures at <https://www.ccbcmd.edu/Programs-and-Courses/Schools-and-Academic-Departments/School-of-Health-Professions/Nursing/Nursing-Admission-Process.aspx>.

Applying to TU ATB

Students must apply and submit all required materials by the deadlines to be considered for ATB admission.

Application Deadlines:

- Fall Start – February 15
- Spring Start – August 15

CCBC - Towson University ATB Nursing Plan of Study Fall ATB Start

Term 1 Fall 20____	Term 2 Winter 20____	Term 3 Spring 20____	Term 4 Summer 20____	Term 5 Fall 20____
<p>CCBC NURN 153 Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts 6 credits/14 weeks</p> <p>CCBC NURN 129 Professional Nursing Role 1 credit/14 weeks</p> <p>TU NURS 349* (F, H) Health Assessment & Health Promotion Across the Lifespan 4 credits/15 weeks <i>*Must take to be exempt from CCBC NURN 155</i></p>	<p>TU NURS 416 (O) Diversity & Social Justice in Healthcare 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p>CCBC NURN 160 Nursing Concepts I 6 credits/8 weeks</p> <p>CCBC NURN 218 Maternal-Newborn Nursing Concepts 3 credits/6 weeks</p>	<p>TU Upper-Level Elective (F, H, O) Healthcare Ethics or Health-Related Course 3 credits/5, 7, or 10 weeks</p> <p>TU NURS 460 (O) Nursing & Healthcare IV: Older Adults 2 credits/10 weeks</p>	<p>CCBC NURN 217 Mental Health Nursing Concepts 3 credits/6 weeks</p> <p>CCBC NURN 227 Professional Practice Nursing Concepts 1 credits/7 weeks</p> <p>CCBC NURN 234 Nursing Concepts II 5 credits/7 weeks</p>
11 credits	3 credits	9 credits	5 credits	9 credits
Term 6 Winter 20____	Term 7 Spring 20____	Term 8 Summer 20____	Term 9 Fall 20____	
<p>TU Upper-Level Elective (F, H, O) Healthcare Ethics or Health-Related Course 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p>CCBC NURN 222 Pediatric Nursing Concepts 3 credits/6 weeks</p> <p>CCBC NURN 236 Nursing Concepts III 6 credits/8 weeks</p> <p>TU NURS 333 (O) Writing for Evidence-Based Practice: Issues in Professional Nursing 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><i>*A.S. degree awarded upon completion of CCBC requirements*</i></p>	<p>NCLEX – RN</p> <p>TU NURS 435 (O) Nursing Research for Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits/10 weeks</p>	<p>TU NURS 476 (O) Public Health Nursing 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>TU NURS 484 (O) Nursing Leadership & Management 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>TU NURS 489 (F) Degree Completion Practicum [Clinical] 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><i>*B.S. degree awarded upon completion of TU requirements*</i></p>
3 credits	12 credits	3 credits	9 credits	

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