Admission Information

September Enrollment deadline is February 1st; January enrollment deadline is July 1st
All documents and requirements are to be met prior to the deadlines for consideration.

ATI TEAS V entrance exam is required for ALL applicants in addition the requirements listed below. Applicants must have at least a 60% Adjusted Individual Total Score to be considered for acceptance on the TEAS V exam. Please refer to TEAS V Exam instructions.

The Admissions process includes: Meeting the minimum prerequisite requirements, application, application fee, two professional confidential references, an essay, clearances, all official transcripts (including high school) and TEAS exam are required for admissions. SAT scores and high school chemistry grade of “C” or better is required for high school applicants in addition the above requirements. Copy of LPN licenses in good standing.

See Admissions Checklist page for details and directions.

Prerequisites:

If you are a Recent High School Graduate (within 5 years)
High School Chemistry Course with lab with a grade of “C” or above, SAT Test scoring minimum of 1350 or minimum of 400 in each section, and a 3.0 minimum GPA. If you do not meet the above requirements, you may apply after meeting the below admissions criteria.

GED/High School Graduate (more than 5 years), Transfer student, LPN or have an associate degree or above
Complete Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credits) and Anatomy and Physiology II (4 credits) at an accredited college or university receiving a “C” or above; and a minimum of a cumulative GPA of 2.85. Sciences must be taken within 5 years of entrance date; otherwise will retake during the program. All credits are reviewed by official transcript. Complete prerequisites prior to application deadline.

The LPN is required to have a valid LPN license and be in good standing with State Board of Nursing.

Admission requirements are subject to change – website contains current requirements.

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Frequently Asked Questions

AHSN admits twice a year!

- January enrollment deadline is July 1st
- September enrollment deadline is February 1st

All documents are required by deadline to be considered.

Is Aria Health School of Nursing (AHSN) accredited?
AHSN is accredited by Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and is approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing. Our excellent NCLEX pass rates make us an ideal choice for students seeking their RN Diploma and Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

What type of program does Aria offer?
AHSN offers a full-time RN Diploma program with bachelors of science in Nursing Penn State Abington collaborative option. Length of study is dependent upon accepted transfer credits, (28-36 months).

Classes are Monday through Friday typically scheduled between 8 am and 5 pm. Clinical days are typically scheduled between 7:00 am and 3:30 pm twice a week. Majority of classes are at our Trevose location!

Students are awarded an RN Diploma, which allows the student to sit for their state board examination (Nursing Council Licensing Examination: NCLEX). AHSN, in collaboration with Penn State Abington, provides additional coursework which is credited toward the bachelor of science in Nursing degree program. Most students will complete their bachelor of science in Nursing in one or two terms after receiving their RN Diploma.

How often do we enroll?
AHSN admits twice a year: January and September. We are a full day time day program (see curriculum) The application deadline for January is July 1st, and September deadline February 1st. All application materials and requirements must be met/received by the deadline to be considered for admission.

What is the cost of Tuition?
The current tuition rate is $5,210 term a total of $15,630/year (AHSN has three terms per year). Additional expenses include books, uniforms, technology, ATI, and activity fees. School Code: 009723.

Where is AHSN located?
We are located at Three Neshaminy Interplex, Trevose, PA 19053; off of Roosevelt Blvd, (Route 1 & Old Lincoln Highway). Clinical sites include Aria Health’s three hospital campuses, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children, and Friends Hospital, as well as other community facilities, geriatric centers and schools.

If I have credits from another college will they transfer?
Accredited college courses with grades of “C” or better are reviewed upon acceptance into the program. There is a 5 year time limit on science prerequisite credit courses.

Is Financial Aid available?
AHSN participates in federal and state financial aid. Further information and applications are available at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

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Have you met the prerequisite requirement? If yes, continue with the checklist below.

_____ First Step: Submit your completed application along with your nonrefundable $100 application fee.
(Payable by check or money order to: Aria Health School of Nursing) The application fee includes one TEAS V exam. You will able to schedule the TEAS V exam upon receipt of your application and application fee. Application is valid for two enrollments application. (i.e. Jan/Sept or Sept/Jan)

_____ Schedule your TEAS V Exam. To schedule, call Sam Kurien 215-710-3555.
Please refer to TEAS V Exam instructions. The TEAS exam may be taken twice for admission per yearly application enrollment.

_____ Request ALL official transcripts to be sent to the Admissions office. ALL Transcripts include: high school, college, technical and nursing schools. College graduates MUST also submit high school transcripts. Electronic submission is available.

_____ Submit two confidential professional/academic letters of recommendation. (confidential, letterhead/business card and/or contact information of author is required). Reference writer can provide in sealed confidential envelop via postal mail or email.

_____ Request and send copies of your three (3) clearances to the Admissions office: FBI Fingerprint/Background Check, PA Child Abuse and PA State Criminal History.
See Clearance instructions for details on how to acquire. Keep your original; copies of clearances are acceptable to submit.

_____ Submit a typed essay, minimum 500 words, discussing: “Discuss how you will be successful in a rigorous academic nursing program.” (Double spaced 12 point font with your name on the header)

_____ If applying as a High School graduate: SAT scores are required.

_____ The LPN license must be in good standing with State Board of Nursing (submit copy of license).

Admission is considered by the Review Committee after all documents received and meeting requirements.
All documents become property of Aria Health School of Nursing and cannot be returned.

Disclaimer:
- The Aria Health School of Nursing does not discriminate in its selection of students because of race, creed, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, marital status, or physical handicap as required by federal law.
- On January 1, 2015 Aria Health became completely smoke-free for all leased and owned properties.
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**TEAS Instructions**

**ATI TEAS V TESTING INFORMATION**
*(The Test of Essential Academic Skill)*

Students testing on or after August 31 will need to purchase the sixth edition study manual.

Aria Health School of Nursing (AHSN) requires ALL applicants to take an entrance examination as part of the admissions process. **One TEAS exam is included in the application fee.** The results will be used in conjunction with other required academic information to be considered for admission to the AHSN. There are four subtests to the TEAS exam: Math, Science, English, and Reading. An “Adjusted Composite Score” score of 60% or above on the TEAS V exam is the minimum requirement. It is highly recommended that you read more about this test and purchase a study guide by accessing ATI’s website at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com).

Because of the content updates that occurred for the ATI TEAS, **YOUR APPLICATION AND APPLICATION FEE MUST BE ON FILE PRIOR TO SCHEDULING.** Contact Sam Kurien at 215-710-3555 to schedule your exam. The exam starts promptly; lateness may result in rescheduling. To reschedule your testing date for any reason, or if you miss your scheduled testing date, notify Sam Kurien within 24 hours of your test. It is your responsibility to contact the school to reschedule your test date. The use of calculators and/or cell phones is forbidden during the test. Bring a Pen or Pencil. Please arrive with a photo ID to verify your identity. Permanent Residents must show their Permanent Resident/ Alien/Green Card. The TEAS exam may only be taken twice per yearly enrollment period. There is a charge to retest and limited seating.

Official documentation prior to exam is required for applicants who require special accommodations for testing.

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**Clearance Directions**

**Child Abuse, FBI and PA State Background**

Failure to submit Background Checks will prevent the Admissions Committee from reviewing your file. Background checks will be maintained in the Administrative Office. Accepted students must maintain background checks and notify Administration of any change in status.

**CHILD ABUSE HISTORY CLEARANCE**

**CLEARANCE ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION** Child Abuse History Clearance Online: [https://www.compass.state.pa.us/CWIS](https://www.compass.state.pa.us/CWIS)

Creating an account and submitting your clearance application online will give you immediate access to your results or the status of your results if your results cannot be processed immediately.

**Aria Health School of Nursing Students:** For electronic application choose option: Individual 14 years of age or older who is applying for or holding a paid position as an employee with a program, activity or service, as a person responsible for the child’s welfare or having direct contact with children.

**CHILD ABUSE HISTORY CLEARANCE** Paper submission of the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance application will still be accepted for anyone who may not have access to the internet. Submit paper application to: ChildLine and Abuse Registry Pennsylvania Department of Human Services PO Box 8170 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8170

**Aria Health School of Nursing Students:** For paper application choose option: Employment with significant likelihood of regular contact with children. **NOTE:** PLEASE READ DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY. Paper submission may take up to 14 days.

For questions related to the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance, please contact the ChildLine Verification Unit at 717-783-6211 or toll free at 1-877-371-5422.

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**Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Record Check Instructions**

Below is the link to the Pennsylvania Criminal Record Check form (SP4-164): [Pennsylvania State Police Request for Criminal record Check Form (SP4-164)](https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp). Applicants can also go to the Pennsylvania Access To Criminal History website and apply for their criminal record check online with the Pennsylvania State Police at: [https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp](https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp). If you have questions about the Pennsylvania State Police Request for Criminal Record Checks form (SP 164), please call: (717) 783-9973 or toll free 1-888-783-7972.

**Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Background Check Instructions:**

The Pennsylvania Department of Human Services utilizes the Cogent Systems to process fingerprint-based FBI criminal background checks. The fingerprint based background check is a multiple step process. For more information and to begin the registration process, go to [www.pa.cogentid.com](http://www.pa.cogentid.com).

**Department of Human Services for Employment: Choose Option:**

**Employment with a significant likelihood of regular contact with children** - an individual applying to engage in an occupation with a significant likelihood of regular contact with children, in the form of care, guidance, supervision or training. Such persons include social service workers, hospital personnel, mental health professionals, members of the clergy, counselors, librarians and doctors

For questions about your FBI Clearance, please contact the FBI/Adam Walsh Unit at 717-783-6211 or 1-877-371-5422.

The directions for clearances are a courtesy for the applicant. AHSN is not responsible if clearance directions change on the agency’s website.
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Biographic Information:  

Date: ______________________

Please print or type

Name ____________________________________________________________

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Last     First     Middle

Address __________________________________________________________

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Full Address     City     State     Zip Code

Social Security Number: ____________________________  Date of Birth: ________________________

     MM/DD/YYYY

Home Telephone: (____)__________________________  Cell Phone: (____)____________________

Preferred E-Mail Address: ____________________________________________

An active email is required for all applicants. Please do not list your school email as your preferred email.

Are you a U.S. Citizen  ○Yes  ○No  Are you a Permanent Resident?  ○Yes  ○No  Are you a Veteran?  ○Yes  ○No

If you are not a U.S. Citizen, please present your Green Card on your scheduled TEAS V exam testing date.

Gender (Optional)  ○Female  ○Male

Ethnicity (Optional):  ○American Indian or Alaska Native  ○Asian  ○Black or African American

                            ○Hispanics of any race  ○Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  ○Race and Ethnicity unknown

                            ○Two or more races  ○White/Caucasian

Marital Status (Optional):  ○Single  ○Married  ○Separated  ○Divorced

Would your records be listed under any name(s) other than your present last name?  ○Yes  ○No

If Yes, please indicate the name(s): ______________________________________

What Entry Date are you applying for? (Specify Year)  September: _______  January: _______

Are you:  ○First time Freshman  ○Transfer Student

If you are seeking readmission what was your date of withdrawal (MM/YYYY) _________________________

Have you previously applied to Aria Health School of Nursing or Frankford Hospital School of Nursing?

    Date of Application: ____________________________

How did you hear about Aria Health School of Nursing? ________________________________________
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All College or University Enrollment Records MUST be included. Please include a copy of any licensure you have acquired, ie. LPN, CNA. Failure to include ALL prior educational transcripts will cause delay in your application.

Employment Information:
Please list all work experiences, including military service, beginning with the most recent. Please use additional paper, if necessary, to complete your employment information.

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Criminal Background Information:
Have you been convicted* of a crime, including felonies and misdemeanors (but excluding summary offenses such as speeding tickets), which has not been annulled, expunged, or sealed by a court? □ Yes □ No

Have you been convicted* of any crime associated with alcohol or drugs in any court? □ Yes □ No

*Convictions include a judgment, found guilty by a judge or jury, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere, received probation without verdict, disposition in lieu of trial, or ARD.

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Have you ever withdrawn an application for a professional license, had an application for a license denied or refused, or agreed not to reapply for a license in any state, territory, possession or country? □ Yes □ No

Have you ever had a professional license suspended or revoked or otherwise been the subject of disciplinary action by any licensing authority in any state, territory, possession or country? □ Yes □ No

If “Yes,” to any of the above please describe in full detail including date(s), location(s) and the nature of the offense(s): Please use additional paper, if necessary, to complete description.

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A conviction will not automatically result in your disqualification from admission. However, failure to disclose a conviction and/or mischaracterization of a conviction automatically will result in your ineligibility for admission (even if the conviction would not have barred your admission had it been properly disclosed). Any positive checks will be forwarded to Aria Health’s Legal Counsel.  

Be sure to have read ALL directions and understand admission requirements. All application requirements and documents are to be met by the deadline. Application is valid for one enrollment application. (i.e.: Jan/Sept or Sept/Jan) Admission requirements are subject to change – website contains current requirements.

Application Affidavit:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, this application contains no misrepresentation or falsification and information given by me is true and complete. Any misrepresentation of falsification will be grounds to deny admission or administrative dismissal from the school.

Applicant’s Full Signature Date

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