- a. Only core courses required for the associate degree nursing program will be used to calculate the grade point average. Grades achieved in **each attempt** will be used in the calculation of this grade point average.
- b. Students must have a grade of "C" or better in all nursing core courses.
- c. Grade of "D", "F", and /or "WF" in core courses applicable to the nursing program older than ten years may not be calculated in the admission GPA.
- 4. When faculty/student ratio limits the acceptance of all qualified students, <u>preference may be given to students with the highest GPA</u>, <u>nursing pre-admission test scores and to students who have completed all required core classes</u>. In addition, other factors may contribute to acceptance/denial in situations where the admission criteria are highly competitive (such as previous nursing attempts, etc.).
- 5. Applicants formerly enrolling in a nursing program may apply; however, they must submit a letter for the dean/director of their former program verifying the student left his/her program in good standing. Applicants who earn less than a "C" in two or more nursing courses, while enrolled in a previous nursing program, must wait a period of three calendar years before they will be considered for admission into the Darton State College Nursing program. If accepted, no transfer credit will be given for prior nursing courses.
- Science courses taken more than five years prior to enrolling in the nursing program will be evaluated by the Nursing Department Chair.
  - a. BIOL 2115K will not have to be repeated.
  - b. All Biology 2111K and 2112K will need to be repeated if greater than five years if person is not an active healthcare professional (LPN, Paramedic.) Active healthcare professionals may elect to take BIOL 2112K as a refresher to meet the science requirements.
  - c. Students in active healthcare practice do not have to re-take the sciences unless it has been eight years or more since the courses were completed.
- 7. ASN students who have completed an LPN Nursing Program or the Advanced Naval Corpsman Hospitalman Course (NER-HN-001) and have one year of active practice within the past two years, may challenge NURS 1101 and NURS 1111 for credit. Appointments to challenge these courses will be made after the application, a copy of PNE transcript and a copy of current Georgia license have been submitted.
- ASN students wishing to repeat NURS 1101/1301 must submit a new application for admission to the nursing program. Readmission will be on a space-available basis.
- LPNs and paramedics who have been practicing as an LPN or a paramedic for at least one
  year may be eligible for the Healthcare Professional to RN bridge program provided all other
  admission criteria have been met.
- 10. Students who begin one track (traditional, Professional Bridge, etc.) must remain in this track until graduation. Exceptions may be made only in cases where students need to be moved from an accelerated program to one of a traditional program.

## Additional Nursing Program Requirements

- All ASN students must be admitted to the Nursing Program before enrolling in NURS 1101/1301 and NURS 1105. NURS 1101/1301 must be taken immediately preceding or within one semester of NURS 1111/1311.
- It is recommended that ASN students applying for the Evening or Hybrid Program have completed all core courses required for nursing prior to enrolling in NURS 1101.
- 3. Students will be required to submit a completed health form which documents satisfactory health status prior to clinical practicum including:
  - A. health history and physical examination;
  - B. immunization requirements including measles, mumps, rubella, and hepatitis B;
  - C. tuberculosis screening;
  - D. current American Heart Association CPR for Health Care Providers' certification; The forms will be available after enrollment in NURS 1101/1301.