## **Advanced Standing – Nursing**

## **Challenge Examination Option**

Applicants who have been fully accepted for admission into the nursing program and who fall into the categories identified below are eligible to take the Foundations of Nursing Challenge Examination (For Fall 2021, all prerequisites, including taking ATI TEAS with a score of 60% or higher overall, and a reading & English ATI TEAS score of 58.6% or higher since 9/2019-present time, must be met-see catalog page)

- Licensed Practical Nurses
- Former diploma school nursing students with at least one year of clinical study completed
- Discharged Corpsmen

. After successfully passing 2 written and 1 practical examinations, and the Pharmacology Clinical Calculations Placement Test, they are admitted to the nursing program, receive 9 credits for Foundations of Nursing and subsequently enroll in Nursing Seminar (fall semester, classroom and brief clinical course). Following admission into the nursing program, students must take the New Jersey Basic Skills Test and complete all remedial course work prior to continued enrollment in a clinical nursing course if need be.

Applicants who achieve a satisfactory grade on each exam component are exempt from the first nursing course (Foundations of Nursing – 9 credits). The students who successfully pass all testing enter Nursing Seminar in the fall semester. Nursing Seminar is designed to assist students in reviewing content from Foundations of Nursing in order to prepare them to enter Nursing of Adults I in the spring semester.

<u>IF you qualify and are interested in Advanced Standing, all prerequisites must be completed by the end of the SUMMER I semester in June 2021.</u>—this is to allow time for challenge exam testing preparations and if admitted to the program for Fall 2021, time to complete health maintenance and program requirements for clinical clearance and Nursing Seminar I class registration.

Please email Nadine.larson@raritanval.edu if you are interested and 100% qualify in taking the Challenge Examination Option- NO LATER THAN July 1, 2021. Attach ATI TEAS results to this email and cut and paste your RVCC transcript into the email to verify you have met all prerequisites to test. A background check via adamsafeguard.com is mandatory for students applying to the nursing program before July 1, 2021. Students who have unfavorable findings on their background check will not be permitted to take the challenge examination, nor will be admitted to the nursing program.

Date of challenge exam- TBD for July 2021