

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing

Has Awarded
Accreditation
to

Arkansas Tech University

Master's Nursing Program

For Achievement of Quality and Excellence in Nursing Education

Fall 2024 to Fall 2032



Diane Evans-Prior, DNP, RN
Chair, ACEN



Kathy Chappell PhD, RN, FNAP, FAAN
Chief Executive Officer, ACEN

April 30, 2026

Russell Jones, PhD
President
Arkansas Tech University

Shelly Daily, DNP, APRN
Department Head
Arkansas Tech University
402 West "O" Street
Russellville, AR 72801-2222

Re: NEU219

Dear Dr. Jones and Dr. Daily:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in April 2026. The Board of Commissioners granted Continuing Accreditation with Removal of Conditions to the master's program, including all program options reviewed, and affirmed the next evaluation visit for Fall 2032. Please see *ACEN Policy #9 Disclosure of Information About an Accredited Program* for the required disclosure statement regarding this decision that must be made to all current and prospective students within seven business days of this letter.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! We look forward to continued successes for your nursing program. In addition to this official letter, your nursing program will receive an ACEN certificate authenticating the Board of Commissioners' decision.

If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Kathy Chappell, PhD, RN, FNAP, FAAN
Chief Executive Officer



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Chief Accreditation Officer

ACEN Board of Commissioners Meeting Outcome

Arkansas Tech University

Master's Program

Date of Decision: April 2, 2026

Accreditation Decision: Continuing Accreditation with Removal of Conditions

Next Site Visit Cycle: Fall 2032

Findings: NONE

Final decisions were made based on the 2023 Standards and Criteria.