The University of Southern Mississippi
Licensure Exam Pass Rates - Nursing and Health Profession Programs, Undergraduate and Graduate, 2016-2020

Program	Exam	Year	# of Program Graduates	# Passed	% Passed	Floor	Floor Rationale	Goal	Goal Rationale	Required for Practice
Nursing BSN	National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN)	2020	145	135	93%	80%	Based on standards set by state and national-level accrediting bodies of nursing programs.	95%	Faculty, in consultation with the SSLC, determined based on historical data and program's aspirational goal.	Required
		2019	154	152	99%	80%		95%		
		2018	184	182	99%	80%		95%		
		2017	162	154	95%	80%		95%		
		2016	162	156	96%	80%		95%		

NOTE : The data above is reported in compliance with the accreditation guidelines of the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning Nursing Education. The number of program graduates is representative of Nursing BSN students that graduated in the spring and fall semesters of each calendar year from both USM's Hattiesburg and Gulf Park campuses that took and passed the exam. The last graduating class from USM's Gulf Park campus will be in the spring of 2021.

Program	Exam	Year	# of Test Takers	# Passed	% Passed	Floor	Floor Rationale	Goal	Goal Rationale	Required for Practice
Nursing (Nurse Anesthesia) DNP	National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists (NBCRNA) National Certification Exam (NCE)	2020	26	21	81%	80%	Set by accrediting body, NBCRNA	90%	Faculty, in consultation with the SSLC, determined based on historical data and program's aspirational goal.	Required
		2019	20	20	100%	80%		90%		
		2018	19	18	95%	80%		90%		
		2017	21	21	100%	80%		90%		
		2016	30	29	97%	80%		90%		

NOTE : The data above is reported in compliance with the accreditation guidelines of the National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists. Students in the Nursing (Nurse Anesthesia) DNP program graduate in December of each year. The # of test takers includes program graduates from the year they graduated and graduates from the previous year that re-tested and passed. In 2016, ten (10) graduates from 2015 were re-tested and passed, and in 2017, one (1) graduate from 2016 was re-tested and passed.

Speech and Hearing Sciences (Speech-Language Pathology) MS	PRAXIS II (Speech-Language Pathology)	2020	24	24	100%	95%	Faculty, in consultation with the SSLC, set minimum threshold based on historical data.	100%	Faculty, in consultation with the SSLC, determined based on historical data and program's aspirational goal.	Required
		2019	23	23	100%	95%		100%		
		2018	24	24	100%	95%		100%		
		2017	23	23	100%	95%		100%		
		2016	21	21	100%	95%		100%		

NOTE : The data above is reported on a calendar year cycle. For the Speech and Hearing Sciences (Speech-Language Pathology) MS degree program, the number of test takers is representative of program graduates in the spring and fall semesters of each calendar year (i.e., 2019 is spring 2019 and fall 2019). Starting in 2021, Speech and Hearing Sciences (Speech-Language Pathology) MS program students will graduate in the spring semester only.

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Program	Exam	Year	# of Test Takers	# Passed	% Passed	Floor	Floor Rationale	Goal	Goal Rationale	Required for Practice
Audiology AuD	PRAXIS II (Audiology)	2020	5	5	100%	95%	Faculty, in consultation with the SSLC, set minimum threshold based on historical data.	100%	Faculty, in consultation with the SSLC, determined based on historical data and program's aspirational goal.	Required
		2019	7	7	100%	95%		100%		
		2018	4	4	100%	95%		100%		
		2017	9	9	100%	95%		100%		
		2016	3	3	100%	95%		100%		

NOTE : Graduates of the Audiology AuD program graduate in the spring semester of each year. The data above is reported/updated annually.