

Nursing – LPN to RN

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE (AAS)

REQUIRED CREDITS: 72

LIMITED ENTRY

DEGREE CODE: NURRN-AAS

This is a limited-entry program. Some of these courses are program prerequisites and MUST be completed before a student is considered eligible for entry into the Program. Students MUST attend a Health Programs orientation and meet with a Health Programs advisor for additional advisement.

DESCRIPTION

This program is designed for practicing License Practical Nurses who wish to prepare to licensure as a registered nurse. The program awards credits for Practical Nursing program courses and Nevada LPN licensure.

Graduates of this program are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) exam for state licensure. Courses in this two-year degree can be applied towards the requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at a four year institution. The program has full approval status by the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 4200 South Maryland Parkway, La Plaza Business Center, Building B, Suite 300, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119, 702-486-5800; and is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc., 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326, (404) 975-5000.

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STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Incorporate physiological, psychological, social-cultural, and spiritual concepts to provide safe and competent nursing care for patients at various stages in their life span.
- Combine the nursing process with clinical reasoning to assist patients with adaptive behaviors that enhance, maintain, and promote optimal health, quality of life, and/or death with dignity.
- Demonstrate caring behaviors with patients to attain optimal health, quality life, or death with dignity.
- Apply principles of verbal and written communication with professionals and patients.
- Employ the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses Initiatives while incorporating standards of professional practice while working within nursing's legal, ethical, and regulatory framework while providing care to patients.
- Integrate teaching/learning principles to promote healthy behavior for patients.
- Optimize collaboration with interdisciplinary teams and community resources when managing nursing care of patients.

PLEASE NOTE - The courses listed below may require a prerequisite or corequisite. Read course descriptions before registering for classes. All MATH and ENG courses numbered 01-99 must be completed before reaching 30 total college-level credits. No course under 100-level counts toward degree completion.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (23 CREDITS)**MATHEMATICS (3 credits)**

MATH 120 or above (except MATH 122, 123)

ENGLISH COMPOSITION (3-5 credits)

ENG 100 or 101 or 113

COMMUNICATIONS (3 credits)

COM 101 or 215

HUMAN RELATIONS (3 credits)

Required: PSY 101 General Psychology

NATURAL SCIENCE (4 credits)

Required: BIOL 189 Fundamentals of Life Science

FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES/SOCIAL SCIENCES (3 credits)

Required: SOC 101 Principles of Sociology

U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS (4-6 credits)

Recommended: PSC 101 Introduction to American Politics

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (49 CREDITS)

Practical Nursing Diploma and Nevada LPN License	8
BIOL 223 Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIOL 224 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIOL 251 General Microbiology	4
NURS 125 Pharmacology for Nursing Practice	2
NURS 205 Introduction to Associate Degree Nursing	4.5
NURS 208 Professional Topics: Management Concepts and Transition into Professional Practice	2
NURS 211 Medical-Surgical Nursing II	4.5
NURS 243 Mental Health Nursing	4.5
NURS 247 Maternal-Newborn Nursing	4.5
NURS 248 Pediatric Nursing	4.5
NURS 296 Nursing Management and Preceptorship	2.5

See Degree Plan on next page.

- NOTE**
- Course numbers with the “B” suffix may be non-transferable for a NSHE baccalaureate degree.
 - Course numbers with the “H” suffix are designated Honors-level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements. For more information visit www.csn.edu/honors.
 - In no case, may one course be used to meet more than one requirement except for the Values and Diversity general education requirement (only AA, AS, and AB degrees) which may be used to fulfill the corresponding general education or emphasis requirement.
 - Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.



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PREREQUISITE	Credits
Practical Nursing Diploma and Nevada LPN License	8
TOTAL CREDITS	8

FIRST SEMESTER	Credits
Complete Mathematics (see courses previous page)	3
Complete English Composition (see courses previous page)	3-5
PSY 101 General Psychology	3
BIOL 189 Fundamentals of Life Science	4
<i>Attend a Limited Entry Program Orientation. Maintain Nevada LPN License through program.</i>	
TOTAL CREDITS	13-15

SECOND SEMESTER	Credits
<i>Take TEAS test – demonstrate English proficiency</i>	
Complete Communications (see courses previous page)	3
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	3
PSC 101 Introduction to American Politics	4
BIOL 223 Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
TOTAL CREDITS	14

THIRD SEMESTER	Credits
<i>Submit application to the Nursing Program by the first day of June for Fall admission or the first day of November for Spring admission</i>	
BIOL 224 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIOL 251 General Microbiology	4
NURS 125B Pharmacology for Nursing Practice ¹	2
TOTAL CREDITS	10

FOURTH SEMESTER	Credits
NURS 205 Introduction to Associate Degree Nursing	4.5
NURS 243 Mental Health Nursing	4.5
TOTAL CREDITS	9

FIFTH SEMESTER	Credits
NURS 247 Maternal-New Born Nursing	4.5
NURS 248 Pediatric Nursing	4.5
TOTAL CREDITS	9

SIXTH SEMESTER	Credits
NURS 208 Professional Topics: Management Concepts and Transition into Professional Practice	2
NURS 211 Medical-Surgical Nursing II	4.5
NURS 296 Nursing Management and Preceptorship	2.5
TOTAL CREDITS	9

DEGREE PLAN TOTAL CREDITS..... **72-74**¹NURS 125B is required if not taken during the LPN Program. This course requires permission of the ADN program director.