

Associate in Science Degree: Nursing – Career Ladder LVN to RN

Nursing science is an art and science incorporating knowledge from the behavioral, biological, and physical sciences. It has a holistic concept of health in which the physical, emotional, psychological, intellectual, social, and spiritual aspects of human functioning are interrelated, interdependent, and of equal importance. This program is for students already possessing a license as a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) and experience as an LVN, which provides them advance standing due to credit for their experience. Offered as an Associate Degree in Nursing with a program of clinical components in which the student cares for patients in the acute-care, sub-acute, and ambulatory care setting. The program prepares the students to take the national licensure exam and for an entry-level Registered Nurse (RN) position in the health care setting.

Degree Student Learning Outcome:

Students will be able to

-Integrate the perspectives of the provider of care, manager of care, and member of the nursing profession into patient care situations.

-Function in the roles of provider of care, manager of care, and member of the nursing profession.

		Units:
Units Required: 44		
NURSNG-109	Transition Into Nursing	4.0
NURSNG-126	Psychiatric Nursing	3.75
NURSNG-234	Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing	4.75
NURSNG-240	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing and Leadership	8.50

Plus eight units from the following options:

BIOSCI-201	Introduction to Human Anatomy	4.0
AND		
BIOSCI-202	Introduction to Human Physiology	4.0

OR

BIOSCI-204	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4.0
AND		
BIOSCI-205	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4.0

Plus twelve units from the following options:

BIOSCI-221	Introduction to Microbiology	5.0
ENGL-C1000	Academic Reading and Writing	4.0

OR

ENGL-C1000H	Academic Reading and Writing – Honors	4.0
PSYC-C1000	Introduction to Psychology	3.0

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PSYC-C1000H	Introduction to Psychology - Honors	3.0
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Plus three units from the following:

COMM-C1000	Introduction to Public Speaking	3.0
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COMM-C1000H Introduction to Public Speaking – Honors	3.0
COMM-120 Small Group Communication	3.0

In order to receive an associate degree, LVN to RN students must complete all nursing program requirements with a grade of “C” or better. The physical education and diversity requirements have been waived for the RN students. Students must complete ALL requirements for the associate degree before the student will be allowed to apply for licensure. Consult with a counselor to determine the exact courses needed to complete the degree.