

NURSING

The nursing programs at Northeast Community College are designed to allow the students maximum mobility for either the practical or associate degree nursing education. You'll learn the art and science of nursing through a combination of theory and clinical courses specific to each level of nursing. Clinical coursework is completed in local hospitals, long-term care facilities and community based settings. State-of-the-art simulations create learning experiences that supplement actual clinical time. Innovative, experienced nursing faculty are there to coach you every step of the way.

All students accepted into the program who successfully complete the first two semesters receive a diploma in practical nursing and may opt to take the NCLEX-PN exam for licensure. Based on grade point average, a student may be eligible to complete the last two semesters of the program to receive an associate degree in nursing and take the NCLEX-RN exam. Students must achieve a grade of 'B' or better in all Nursing (NURS) coursework.

The nursing program may be completed in one, two, or multiple years with full-time and part-time options. Nursing program admission is competitive. See nursing program admission requirements for detailed information. Students will be required to submit to a criminal background check and drug testing prior to acceptance into the program.



The Practical Nursing Program and the Associate Degree Nursing Programs are approved by the Nebraska State Board of Nursing.

The Associate Degree in Nursing Program is accredited by:
The Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400; Atlanta, GA 30326;
(404) 975-5000; www.acenursing.org

Required Program of Study for Practical and Associate Degree in Nursing (2 years)

FRESHMAN YEAR

Summer Session

Course	Credits
BIOS 2250 Intro to Human Anatomy & Physiology I* ...	4

First Semester

Course	Credits
BIOS 2260 Intro to Human Anatomy & Physiology II* ...	4
MATH 1025 Math for Health Care Professionals*	3
NURS 1010 Nursing Process and Critical Thinking I ...	3
NURS 1060 Pathophysiology Disease Processes I ...	1.5
NURS 1100 Nursing Science I	3
NURS 1110 Health Assessment/Health Promotion I ...	2
NURS 1120 Pharmacology and Nursing Practice I ...	1.5
NURS 1180 Nursing's Role I	1
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Second Semester

Course	Credits
BIOS 2460 Microbiology*	4
ENGL 1010 English Composition I*	3
NURS 1070 Pathophysiology Disease Processes II ...	1.5
NURS 1125 Pharmacology and Nursing Practice II ...	1.5
NURS 1130 Nursing Process and Critical Thinking II ...	3
NURS 1140 Nursing Science II	3
NURS 1150 Intravenous Therapy Practical Nursing	1
NURS 1185 Nursing's Role II	1
	<u>18</u>

Total Nursing Hours in Curriculum	23
Total General Education Hours	18

Total Hours in Practical Nursing Curriculum	41
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Upon successful completion, student may graduate and take NCLEX-PN Exam for licensure as a Practical Nurse.

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SOPHOMORE YEAR

First Semester

Course	Credits
NURS 2120 Pharmacology and Nursing Practice III	1
NURS 2150 Nursing Process and Critical Thinking III	4
NURS 2160 Nursing Science III	5
NURS 2165 Nursing's Role III	1
PSYC 1810 Introduction to Psychology*	3
SPCH 1010 Fundamentals of Communication*	3
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Second Semester

Course	Credits
NURS 2170 Nursing Process and Critical Thinking IV ...	4
NURS 2180 Nursing Science IV	4
NURS 2185 Nursing's Role IV	3
Elective*/**	3
	<u>14</u>

Total Nursing Hours in Curriculum	45
Total General Education Hours	27

Total Hours in ADN Curriculum	72
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Upon successful completion, student may graduate and take NCLEX-RN Exam for licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Note: General education courses are marked with an asterisk (*).

*These courses may be taken before admittance to the program or in conjunction with the nursing courses, post-admission.

**Electives: ENGL 1020 English Composition II, MATH 2170 Applied Statistics, PSYC 2200 Lifespan Psychology, SOCI 1010 Introduction to Sociology, CHEM 1090 General Chemistry I, HOEC 1050 Nutrition, LIBR 1310 College Research Skills and Strategies, NURS 2100 Health Care Ethics.

NURSING: LPN – ADN

The following program of study is designed for licensed practical nurses who are interested in returning to college after a period of years to become a registered nurse.

A Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) who feels he/she has established a good base of knowledge and nursing experience may wish to take the next step and become a Registered Nurse (RN). LPNs seeking higher salaries, more responsibility, and career advancement should think about a career as an RN. Choosing to become an RN can be a great career move and becoming a Registered Nurse through an LPN to Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program at Northeast Community College can have many benefits. The LPN to ADN program is designed for qualified Licensed Practical Nurses who wish to become Registered Nurses with a minimum amount of time and with little repeat of course content and credits.

The difference between a LPN and a RN may seem small at first glance, but differ greatly in the education required to achieve licensure, and the opportunities afforded to each down the road are what really makes the difference. Many more options become available to an RN as they gain more experience, ones that will not be offered to an LPN regardless of experience or base knowledge.



All coursework in the Nursing- Practical Diploma program will apply as full credit towards the Associate Degree Nursing, the Associate of Arts Degree, or the Associate of Science Degree.

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Required Program of Study for LPN to ADN

General Education Courses

Course	Credits
BIOS 2250 Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology I*	4
BIOS 2260 Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology II*	4
BIOS 2460 Microbiology*	4
ENGL 1010 English Composition I*	3
MATH 1025 Math for Health Care Professionals*	3
PSYC 1810 Introduction to Psychology*	3
SPCH 1010 Fundamentals of Communication*	3
Electives**	5-6
	<u>29-30</u>
Total General Education Hours	29-30

Upon successful completion, student may graduate and take NCLEX- RN Exam for licensure as a Registered Nurse.

**Electives: ENGL 1020 English Composition II, MATH 2170 Applied Statistics, PSYC 2200 Lifespan Psychology, SOCI 1010 Introduction to Sociology, CHEM 1090 General Chemistry I, HOEC 1050 Nutrition, LIBR 1310 College Research Skills and Strategies, NURS 2100 Health Care Ethics.

Nursing Courses

Summer	
Course	Credits
NURS 1120 Pharmacology and Nursing Practice I	1.5
NURS 1125 Pharmacology and Nursing Practice II	1.5
NURS 1150 Intravenous Therapy for Practical Nursing ...	1
	<u>4</u>
First Semester	
Course	Credits
NURS 1060 Pathophysiology of Disease Processes I ...	1.5
NURS 1110 Health Assessment and Health Promotion I	2
NURS 2120 Pharmacology and Nursing Practice III	1
NURS 2150 Nursing Process and Critical Thinking III ...	4
NURS 2160 Nursing Science III	5
NURS 2165 Nursing's Role III	1
	<u>14.5</u>
Second Semester	
Course	Credits
NURS 1070 Pathophysiology of Disease Processes II ...	1.5
NURS 2170 Nursing Process and Critical Thinking IV ...	4
NURS 2180 Nursing Science IV	4
NURS 2185 Nursing's Role IV	3
	<u>12.5</u>
Total Nursing Course Hours	31
Total Credit Hours	60-61