

Nursing – LPN to AAS – Associate in Applied Science (TNUR.AAS)

The Associate in Applied Science, Nursing – LPN to AAS program consists of integrated lectures, labs and clinicals conducted in approved clinical education affiliate settings. The program is designed to educate students to provide competent nursing care in a variety of health care settings and for employment in the field of registered nursing. Candidates who successfully complete the LPN to AAS programs are eligible to apply for the licensing examination (NCLEX-RN) required for licensure as a registered professional nurse (RN).

There are special admission requirements to the LPN to AAS nursing program and it is the student's responsibility to understand the requirements and adhere to them. Students must apply for the program within published time frames.

Candidates entering the LPN to AAS program will need to meet the competency based educational (CBE) requirements by having a valid Michigan unencumbered LPN license, have obtained 1,000 cumulative practice hours by start of the program and must pass the following competency exams: National League for Nursing (NLN) Foundations of Nursing Standardized Admission, NLN Pharmacology and Health Assessment skills practicum examinations. Most clinical sites are subject to Act 303 of the Public Acts of 2002, amended April 1, 2006, of the State of Michigan, which restricts persons with certain criminal convictions from having access to vulnerable populations. Therefore, the agreements that Jackson College has with these organizations require that as a condition of admission, all students will be subject to a fingerprint-based criminal background check, including an FBI check. Exclusions for convictions can range from one year to permanent exclusion. Questions should be directed to the security department.

In addition, all students must pass a drug screen to enter any nursing program, as well as complete immunizations (as required for health care providers), meet technical standards, and complete a physical form. Following graduation, applicants for licensure as a nurse are also asked about criminal convictions and substance abuse, and this can impact the individual's ability to become licensed.

Minimum credits: 64

Minimum cumulative GPA: 2.0

Minimum grades in all courses: 2.0

Minimum grade in BIO 253 and BIO 254: 2.5

Minimum Jackson College credits: 28

It is highly recommended that chemistry be taken prior to Human Anatomy & Physiology (BIO 253 and 254). All sciences must be taken within the last eight years. Nursing courses MUST be taken in sequence. Students are required to take the NCLEX review course as part of the curriculum in order to graduate. An academic advisor must be consulted to apply to the program. The nursing program

requirements are highly demanding and time consuming. Following admission, full-time employment is not recommended.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (22 CREDITS)

GEO 1: Write clearly, concisely and intelligibly (3 credits)

Choose one of the following:

ENG 131 Writing Experience I

GEO 2: Recognize the importance of effective communication in a dynamic and changing society (3 credits)

Program courses meet this requirement

GEO 3: Demonstrate computational skills and mathematical reasoning (4 credits)

Take the following:

MAT 133 Introduction to Probability & Statistics (or higher)

*Note: MAT 133 is preferred for maximum application points.

GEO 4: Demonstrate scientific reasoning (8 credits)

Take the following:

BIO 253 Human Anatomy and Physiology I

BIO 254 Human Anatomy and Physiology II

GEO 5: Understand human behavior and social systems, and the principles which govern them (4 credits)

Take the following:

PSY 130 General Psychology

GEO 6: Identify artistic, linguistic, and theoretical perspectives across the human experience (3 credits)

Choose one of the following:

HUM 131 Cultural Connections

ENG 249 African-American Literature

NURSING (LPN TO AAS) RELATED REQUIREMENTS (4 CREDITS)

Take the following:

CEM 131 Fundamentals of Chemistry

NURSING (LPN TO AAS) CORE REQUIREMENTS (28 CREDITS)

Take the following:

NRS 210 Medical-Surgical Nursing 1

NRS 211 Women and Neonate Concepts

NRS 212 Behavioral Health

NRS 213 Pediatrics

NRS 214 Medical Surgical 2*

NRS 215 Pathophysiology

NRS 230 Medical Surgical 3*

NRS 240 Nursing Capstone*

**These courses also have lab and/or clinical components that must be registered for as corequisites.*

NOTE: Nursing courses are assigned various labs and clinicals. Be sure to follow directions each semester you register. The schedule is subject to change on short notice. Specific clinical sites and times cannot be guaranteed. The nursing department reserves the right to change the curriculum and program requirements.