

NORTH IDAHO COLLEGE LPN TO RN CURRICULUM GUIDELINE

FOR LPNs APPLYING TO ENTER ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING (RN) CLASS FOR FALL 2011

REACH FOR YOUR FUTURE



Admission of LPN to RN applicants is based on the same criteria as other applicants for admission to the nursing program with the exception that no CNA or medical terminology certification is required. **It is the student's responsibility to meet minimum admission requirements for the nursing program.** A student may keep informed of the program requirements by reading the current NIC catalog and Nursing (RN) website and contacting the Nursing Department LPN to RN Coordinator for any questions specific to the applicant.

The nursing program uses a selective admission process involving points for relevant course work completed at the time of application. Please be aware that because of the number of applicants, completion of all prerequisites and/or general education courses does not guarantee admission into the program. Upon acceptance into the nursing program, a criminal background check will be required for participation in clinical rotations. Violations which appear on the background check may result in denied access to clinical sites and, therefore, inability to complete the nursing program.

To be eligible for the program you must:

- Hold a current LPN/LVN license in good standing in any state of the USA.
- Have had a minimum total of 750 hours work experience as a practical nurse in an acute/sub-acute setting in the previous three years. These hours must be completed by March 31 of the year of acceptance. Other clinical settings will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Be IV certified or have completed an approved course of study in IV therapy within the 12 months prior to August 1st of the year of anticipated program entry.
- Have completed all prerequisite courses for Nursing Practice III (N290) with a final grade of C (2.0) or better in each course by August 1st of the year of anticipated program entry.

Upon selection into the program, completion of NUR 196 (Transition Course for LPNs) with a grade of C (2.0) or better will be required prior to program entry in the fall. This course has both an online and clinical component.

Upon successful completion of NUR 196, students will enter the second year of the Associate Degree Nursing Program in the fall semester, beginning with NUR 290. Upon successful completion of NUR 290, credit will be awarded for NUR 190 and NUR 195.

NORTH IDAHO COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM

LPN to RN

Regarding your course work, to have your application considered for NIC's Associate Degree Nursing program:

- You must have a grade of C (2.0) or better in each required course (a grade of C- is not acceptable).
- You must have a cumulative college GPA of *at least* a 2.50 in the general education courses required for the A.S. in Nursing from North Idaho College.
- The Anatomy and Physiology and Microbiology courses must be no more than 7 years old, otherwise they will need to be repeated. If the Anatomy & Physiology courses were completed with the required grade more than 7 years ago, you may elect to repeat the A & P courses or to take a Pathophysiology course approved by the NIC Nursing program.

COURSES THAT MUST BE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED BY AUGUST 1 OF THE YEAR YOU APPLY FOR ADMISSION:

_____ Biology 227 (Human Anatomy & Physiology I) Must be no more than 7 years old

_____ Biology 228 (Human Anatomy & Physiology II) Must be no more than 7 years old

_____ Biology 250 (General Microbiology) Must be no more than 7 years old

_____ one Math course from the Math list for the A.S. Degree (see NIC Catalog)

_____ English 101 (English Composition)

_____ English 102 (English Composition)

_____ Communications 101 (Public Speaking)

_____ Psychology 101 (Introduction to Psychology)

_____ Sociology 101 (Introduction to Sociology)

ADDITIONAL GENERAL COURSES: It is highly recommended that students complete as many of the following general education courses as possible before application for admission into the nursing program:

Courses to be completed by the end of the third semester of the nursing program:

_____ one course from the Arts & Humanities list for the A.S. Degree (see NIC Catalog)

_____ one additional course from the Social Science/Arts & Humanities list for the A.S. Degree

_____ one credit of Physical Education **activity** or Dance course

Courses to be completed by the end of the fourth semester of the nursing program:

_____ a second course from the Arts & Humanities list for the A.S. Degree (see NIC Catalog)

_____ one credit of Physical Education **activity** or Dance course