

# LPN TO RN TRANSITION PROGRAM

## Director:

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The LPN-RN program is approved by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN), 5207 Essen Lane., Suite 6, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, (225) 763-3570, and is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC), 61 Broadway, New York, NY 10006, (212) 363-5555 ext. 153

## Purpose

The purpose of the LPN-RN Transition Program is to allow Licensed Practical Nurses with previously acquired nursing knowledge and skill the opportunity to achieve an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing and to write the NCLEX-RN.

## Admission Criteria

Applicants to the LPN-RN Transition Program should meet the following criteria for admission:

1. Current LPN licensure at the time of application and admission
2. Be accepted for full admission status to OLOL College
3. Be in good academic standing at OLOL College
4. Have completed 6 credit hours at OLOL College (these 6 hours may not include NURS 100)
5. Have earned a grade point average of 2.75 or higher on arts and sciences in the nursing curriculum
6. Successful completion of the following required arts and sciences courses with a grade of C or better:
  - Academic Seminar (ACSM 100)
  - English Composition I (ENGL 101)
  - College Algebra (MATH 112)
  - Human Anatomy and Physiology I (BIOL 210)
  - Human Anatomy and Physiology II (BIOL 211)
  - Fundamentals of Human Nutrition (BIOL 235)
  - Fundamentals of Microbiology (BIOL 280)
  - Introduction to Chemistry (CHEM 100)
  - Introductory Psychology (PSYC 100)
  - Psychology Across the Life Span (PSYC 230)
7. Successful completion of NURS 100 (Pharmacology in Nursing). This course can only be taken with permission of the LPN-RN program director. LPN students may opt to take a Pharmacology Challenge Exam in lieu of NURS 100. Permission to take this examination must be obtained from the LPN-RN program director. Students who enroll in NURS 100 and are not successful (a grade of "C" or better) cannot take the Pharmacology Challenge Exam.

## Admission Decisions

Once an invitation for admission to the LPN-RN program is extended to an applicant, the applicant will be required to submit an Application for Approval to Enroll in a Clinical Nursing Course form, submit to a criminal background check, and comply with the Health and Safety requirements of the College. These requirements are the same as those discussed in the section of the catalog for admissions decisions related to the ASN program.

Once admitted into the LPN-RN Transition Program, the student will enroll in NURS 112: LPN-RN Role Transition, a seven credit course. Once the transition student successfully completes the transition course with a grade of "C" or better, the student will move into the second year of the ASN Program. Credit is granted for the following 100 level courses in nursing at the time of graduation: Nursing 130: Adult Health Nursing I (5 credit hours) and Nursing 140: Mental Health Nursing (4 credit hours). If the student does not pass NURS 112 with a grade of "C" or better he/she cannot repeat the course, but can apply for admission to the Associate of Science in Nursing Degree Program.

To obtain specific information regarding the application process and the program requirements, students should schedule, an appointment with the LPN-RN Program Director.

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Step 1 Completion of required Arts and Sciences Courses	ACSM 100, ENGL 101, MATH 112, BIOL 210, BIOL 211, BIOL 235, BIOL 280, PSYC 100, PSYC 230 and CHEM 100 or 101	
Step 2 Completion of the Pharmacology requirement	Pharmacology Challenge Exam or Pharmacology Course (NURS 100)	
Step 3 Apply to the LPN RN Program		
Semester I		
Course	Course Description	Credit Hours
NURS 112	Role Transition	7
Second Year of ASN Program		
Semester II		
NURS 210	Adult Health II	5
NURS 220	Care of Children and Family	4
SOCI 100	Introductory Sociology	3
Elective	Philosophy, Anthropology, or Religious Studies	<u>3</u>
		<u>15</u>
Semester III		
NURS 230	Care of Women and Neonates	4
NURS 240	Adult Health Nursing III	<u>6</u>
		<u>10</u>
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