

LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CURRICULUM GUIDE

Nursing, PN Option
Certificate of Achievement

Curriculum Code: 0235 (Effective Fall 2014 – Fall 2015)

The Practical Nurse Program at Lansing Community College is approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing and utilizes the career ladder concept. The practical nurse program is offered in a 2-year, 3-year, or 2nd Degree Accelerated sequence. There are specific prerequisites required for entry into the program. Building on these prerequisites, a student completing Level I and Level II receives a Certificate of Achievement and is eligible to take the national examination for Practical Nurse (PN) which is the National Council Licensing Examination–Practical Nurse (NCLEX–PN).

The Practical Nurse (PN) Program prepares an individual to, with supervision from the Registered Nurse, implement a plan of care for clients in a variety of healthcare settings often working in long-term care. The education and scope of practice of the PN is determined by state law. The student must successfully complete this certificate of achievement and the National Council Licensing Examination–Practical Nurse (NCLEX–PN) to practice as a practical nurse.

This is a selective admission program. In order to be considered as a candidate for this program, students must meet basic admission requirements beyond those required for admission to the college. Many of the courses for this program are open only to students officially admitted to the Nursing Program. This curriculum is Level I and Level II of the registered nurse program.

PREREQUISITES

Students should see [Course Descriptions](#) for course prerequisite information. See [Academic Assessment and Placement Testing for Student Success](#) for skills assessment and advising information.

INFORMATION

The admission and/or graduation requirements for this program may change each academic year. **The program requirements below apply only to those students who have been admitted to the program for the 2014/2015 academic year.** For the most recent and complete information, interested students should contact the Admissions Office, Room 203, Gannon Building, telephone number (517) 483–1254 or the Nursing Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number (517) 483–1410 (Website: www.lcc.edu/nursing/).

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO THE NURSING PROGRAM, PN AND RN OPTIONS

For current information about admission requirements, students must contact the Admissions Office, Room 203, Gannon Building, telephone number (517) 483-1254.

REQUIREMENTS (See Note 1)		TOTAL: 44 CREDITS
CODE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
BIOL 201	Human Anatomy	4
BIOL 202	Human Physiology	4
NURS 150	Fundamentals of Nursing Care	9
NURS 160	Acute Nursing Care	6
NURS 165	Maternity Nursing Care	4
NURS 166	Long-Term Care Nursing	1
NURS 200	Pharmacology - Nursing (See Note 2)	3
PFHW 163	Healthy Lifestyles	2
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4
PSYC 205	Human Growth and Development	3
WRIT 121	Composition I (See Note 3)	4
MINIMUM TOTAL		44

NOTES:

1. Current Basic Life Support Certification (BLS) is required throughout the program (NCHE 102 or NCHE 103 or American Heart Association/Health Care Provider or American Red Cross/Professional Rescuer).
2. NURS 200 may be taken up to two years prior to admission to the Nursing Program or concurrently with NURS 150.
3. WRIT 121 may be replaced by WRIT 122, WRIT 131, WRIT 132, ENGL 122, or ENGL 132.
4. All courses in this curriculum must be completed with a minimum grade of 2.5 or better to earn the Certificate of Achievement.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

Subchoice 1A: 2-year Track

Courses listed in Prerequisite Requirements below must be completed prior to admission to the Nursing Program. MATH 112 – Intermediate Algebra is required for admission and may be waived by successfully passing a proficiency exam. Although students are accepted to the program in late spring, they will be assigned to begin Semester I in either fall or spring semester. A student may not begin a new semester until she or he has successfully completed all of the courses listed in a previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 2.5. Some courses may be completed before the designated semester, typically non-nursing courses. NURS 200 is the only NURS-prefix course in the 2-year Track that is offered summer semester.

Prerequisite Requirements

BIOL 201
MATH 112 or proficiency
PFHW 163
PSYC 200
WRIT 121

Program Requirements

I-Fall or Spring	II-Spring or Fall
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BIOL 202	NURS 160
NURS 150	NURS 165
NURS 200	NURS 166
	PSYC 205

Subchoice 1B: 3-year Track

Courses listed in Prerequisite Requirements below must be completed prior to admission to the Nursing Program. MATH 112 – Intermediate Algebra is required for admission and may be waived by successfully passing a proficiency exam. Students are accepted to the program in late spring and will begin Semester I in fall semester. A student may not begin a new semester until she or he has successfully completed all of the courses listed in a previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 2.5. Some courses may be completed before the designated semester, typically non-nursing courses. The 3-year Track requires that NURS courses be taken in fall, spring, and summer semesters.

Prerequisite Requirements

BIOL 201
MATH 112 or proficiency
PFHW 163
PSYC 200
WRIT 121

Program Requirements

I-Fall	II-Spring	III-Summer	IV-Fall
BIOL 202	NURS 150 continued	NURS 165	NURS 160
NURS 150		PSYC 205	NURS 166
NURS 200			

Subchoice 1C: 2nd Degree Accelerated Track

Students holding a bachelor's degree must have met or completed the prerequisite requirements listed below prior to the first semester of the Nursing Program. The 2nd Degree Accelerated Track requires that PN NURS courses be taken over a period of 6 months and includes online methodology and face-to-face instruction. A student may not begin a new semester until she or he has successfully completed all of the courses listed in the previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 2.5.

Prerequisite Requirements

BIOL 201	MATH 112 or proficiency	PFHW 163	PSYC 205
BIOL 202	NURS 200	PSYC 200	WRIT 121

Program Requirements

I-Fall	II-Spring
NURS 150	NURS 160
	NURS 165
	NURS 166