

LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CURRICULUM GUIDE

Nursing, RN Option
Associate in Applied Science Degree

Curriculum Code: 0222 (Effective Fall 2015 – Fall 2017)

The Nursing Program at Lansing Community College is nationally accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc., 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, Georgia 30326, and is approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing. It utilizes the career ladder concept. The registered nurse program is offered in a 1-year Advanced Standing, 2-year, or 2nd Degree Accelerated track. 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 a national examination for Practical Nurse (PN) NCLEX–PN. A student successfully completing Level III and Level IV will receive an associate degree in applied science and is eligible to take the national examination for Registered Nurse (RN) NCLEX–RN. A current PN, licensed paramedic, or respiratory therapist may gain entry into Level III of the associate degree RN program as an advanced standing student through the Advanced Standing track. A 2nd Degree Accelerated track is available for students with a bachelor's degree.

The Registered Nurse (RN) Program prepares the individual to care for clients of all ages in a variety of health care settings. As an essential member of the health care team, the RN is responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating a plan of care for clients. The RN is required to assist clients in achieving their health goals through effective communication, decision making, problem-solving, management and technological skills. Registered nurses work in hospitals, clinics, offices, nursing homes, and home health care settings, in addition to schools, research facilities, and community agencies. The education and scope of practice of the RN is determined by state law. The student must successfully complete this program and the National Council Licensing Examination–Registered Nurse (NCLEX–RN) to practice as a registered 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.

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. Students successfully completing prerequisites for admission to the Nursing Program will have a Reading Level 5, a Writing Level 8, and a Math Level 5.

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 2015/2016 academic year.** For the most recent and complete information, interested students should contact the Nursing Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number (517) 483-1410 (Website: www.lcc.edu/hhs/programs/nursing/).

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

For current information about admission requirements, students must contact the Nursing Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number (517) 483-1410.

REQUIREMENTS (See Notes 1 and 9)		TOTAL: 43 CREDITS
CODE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
BIOL 201	Human Anatomy	4
BIOL 202	Human Physiology	4
BIOL 203	Microbiology (See Note 2)	3
NURS 200	Pharmacology - Nursing (See Note 3)	3
NURS 260	Mental Hlth/Leadership Nursing	5
NURS 265	Pediatric Nursing Care	5
NURS 280	Advanced Chronic Nursing Care	5
NURS 285	Advanced Acute Nursing Care	5
PFWW 163	Healthy Lifestyles	2
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4
PSYC 205	Human Growth and Development	3

LIMITED CHOICE REQUIREMENTS

TOTAL: 30-32 CREDITS

Complete the indicated number of credits from **EACH CHOICE** listed below.

CHOICE 1: [General Education Core Areas](#)

10-12 Credits

(Click the link above for information on how to fulfill these requirements. Core area proficiency exams, where appropriate, are available for each core area.)

Communication Core Area	3-4
Global Perspectives and Diversity Core Area	3-4
Mathematics Core Area (See Note 4)	0
Science Core Area (See Note 5)	0
Writing Core Area (See Note 6)	4

CHOICE 2: **Nursing Program Tracks** (Choose one Subchoice)

20 Credits

Nursing students will select either Subchoice 2A, 2C, or 2D to satisfy Level I and Level II requirements of the Nursing, RN Option Associate in Applied Science Degree.

Subchoice 2A: 2-year Track

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

Subchoice 2B: 3-year Track – Inactive**Subchoice 2C: Advanced Standing to RN Track (See Note 7)**

	LPN, Paramedic, or Respiratory Therapist License or Certification	14
NURS 210	Transition to RN Program	6

Subchoice 2D: 2nd Degree Accelerated Track (See Note 8)

NURS 150	Fundamentals in Nursing Care I & II	9
NURS 160	Acute Nursing Care	6
NURS 165	Maternity Nursing Care	4
NURS 166	Long-Term Care Nursing	1

MINIMUM TOTAL **73**

NOTES:

1. Current Basic Cardiac 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. Although not required for the associate degree, BIOL 204 is strongly recommended to be taken concurrently with BIOL 203. It will be required for nurses who continue on to a Bachelors of Nursing degree program.
3. NURS 200 may be taken up to two years prior to admission into the program. It may also be taken concurrently with NURS 150 for students in the 2-year Track.
4. Students meeting admission requirements for the Nursing Program have met the Math Core requirement for this curriculum.
5. Students completing "REQUIREMENTS" have fulfilled the requirements for the Science Core area.
6. Students must select one of the following: WRIT 121, WRIT 122, WRIT 131, WRIT 132, ENGL 122, or ENGL 132.
7. PNs, licensed EMT-Paramedics, or Registered Respiratory Therapists may qualify for this Subchoice. Students should contact the Nursing Program at (517) 483-1410 for information.
8. Students holding a bachelor's degree may qualify for this Subchoice.
9. All NURS courses in this curriculum must be completed with a grade of 3.0 or better to graduate.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

Subchoice 2A: 2-year Track

Courses listed as 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 NURS courses listed in the previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 3.0. Some courses may be completed before the designated semester, typically non-nursing courses. NURS200 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
Writing Core

Program Requirements

I–Fall or Spring	II–Spring or Fall	III–Fall or Spring	IV–Spring or Fall
BIOL 202	NURS 160	BIOL 203	NURS 280
NURS 150	NURS 165	NURS 260	NURS 285
NURS 200	NURS 166	NURS 265	Lim.Ch.1–Comm Core
	PSYC 205		Lim.Ch.1–GP&D Core

Subchoice 2C: Advanced Standing to RN Track

Courses listed as 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 the summer semester. A student may not begin a new semester until she or he has successfully completed all of the NURS courses listed in the previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 3.0. All prerequisite courses must be completed before Semester I.

Prerequisite Requirements

BIOL 201	NURS 200	Lim.Ch.1–Comm Core
BIOL 202	PFHW 163	Lim.Ch.1–GP&D Core
BIOL 203	PSYC 200	Lim.Ch.1–Writing Core
MATH 112 or proficiency	PSYC 205	

Program Requirements

I-Summer	II-Fall	III-Spring
NURS 210	NURS 260 NURS 265	NURS 280 NURS 285

Subchoice 2D: 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 NURS courses be taken over a period of 14 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 NURS courses listed in the previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 3.0.

Prerequisite Requirements

BIOL 201	NURS 200	Lim.Ch.1-Comm Core
BIOL 202	PFHW 163	Lim.Ch.1-GP&D Core
BIOL 203	PSYC 200	Lim.Ch.1-Writing Core
MATH 112 or proficiency	PSYC 205	

Program Requirements

I-Fall	II-Spring	III-Summer	IV-Fall
NURS 150	NURS 160 NURS 165 NURS 166 NURS 265	NURS 260	NURS 280 NURS 285