

## LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### CURRICULUM GUIDE

Nursing, PN Option  
Certificate of Achievement

Curriculum Code: 0235 (Effective Fall 2015 – Fall 2016)

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 or 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. 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/](http://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 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
PFWH 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
<b>MINIMUM TOTAL</b>		<b>44</b>

### 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 for students in the 2-year Track.
3. WRIT 121 may be replaced by WRIT 122, WRIT 131, WRIT 132, ENGL 122, or ENGL 132.
4. All NURS courses in this curriculum must be completed with a minimum grade of 3.0 and all other courses must be completed with a minimum grade of 2.5 or 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 NURS courses listed in a previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 3.0. 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**

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

### **Program Requirements**

<b>I–Fall or Spring</b>	<b>II–Spring or Fall</b>
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BIOL 202	NURS 160
NURS 150	NURS 165
NURS 200	NURS 166
	PSYC 205

### **Subchoice 1C: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 NURS courses listed in the previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 3.0.

### **Prerequisite Requirements**

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

### **Program Requirements**

<b>I–Fall</b>	<b>II–Spring</b>
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NURS 150	NURS 160
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	NURS 166