Associate in Applied Science - Nursing (RN)
Application for Admission
Fall 2024 Cohort

☐ First-Time or New Program Applicant   ☐ LPN to RN Advanced Standing

☐ Returning to LMC Nursing Program   ☐ Transfer from Other Nursing Program

First & Last Name _____

LMC Student ID _____ **E-mail Address** _____

The contact information on file with the College will be added to your Nursing program applicant record. You can verify your contact information is up to date by logging in to your LMC Student Profile. Some updates to this information must be made through the LMC Records & Registration Office.
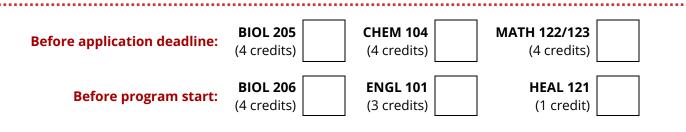
Admission to this program is competitive and based on points earned during application review. Nursing program admission is not guaranteed to any student, regardless of minimum grades, overall GPA, or prior work experience.

Application Criteria

✓ Complete a Lake Michigan College Admissions Application – www.lakemichigancollege.edu/admissions

✓ Have all non-LMC official transcripts sent to the LMC Records Office for evaluation of transfer credit

✓ Consult with an Academic Advisor before applying to review current program requirements

✓ Complete all required prerequisite courses by the posted application deadline(s)

✓ **ESL applicants**: *before* taking the HESI A2 exam, complete the TOEFL iBT test with a total score of 84+ and a speaking subscore of 26+ (LMC code: 1137)

✓ **ALL applicants:** Complete the HESI A2 with at least 75% in English and Math within two attempts

✓ Hold an overall College GPA of 2.50 minimum

✓ Submit program application and any documentation to the Health Sciences Office **by May 12, 2024**

Write the letter grade you earned for each course in the boxes below.
You may also use the following abbreviations: currently enrolled = CE; transfer credit = TR

Before application deadline:

BIOL 205 (4 credits)	CHEM 104 (4 credits)	MATH 122/123 (4 credits)

Before program start:

BIOL 206 (4 credits)	ENGL 101 (3 credits)	HEAL 121 (1 credit)

My signature verifies I have read and understand the requirements for application and admission to the LMC Nursing program; I understand the requirements of the AAS-Nursing degree. My Nursing applicant file is complete. Additionally, my signature confirms that I have consulted with an Academic Advisor before and/or while completing the program prerequisites for the current Nursing application cycle.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE May 12, 2024

Submit applications to:
Lake Michigan College
Health Sciences Office, C-103
2755 E Napier Avenue
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
healthsciences@lakemichigancollege.edu

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Program Accreditation

The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Nursing program at the Lake Michigan College Benton Harbor Campus is located in Benton Harbor, MI and accredited by the *Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.*

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)

3390 Peachtree Rd NE, Suite 1400

Atlanta, GA 30326

(404) 975-5000

www.acenursing.org

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) - Nursing program is Continuing Accreditation. View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program.

The Nursing Program at Lake Michigan College has been accredited since 1981.

College Accreditation

Lake Michigan College is accredited by the *Higher Learning Commission* (hlcommission.org), a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. More information on College and Program Accreditation is available on the LMC website at www.lakemichigancollege.edu/accreditation.

The Higher Learning Commission

230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500

Chicago, Illinois 60604-1411

(800) 621-7440 phone

www.hlcommission.org/

Upon successful completion of the Nursing program, you will receive the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Nursing-RN degree. Graduates will be eligible to take the NCLEX exam and obtain licensure in the State of Michigan. Satisfactory completion of the NCLEX exam allows a nurse to use the professional credentials RN (Registered Nurse).

This program prepares you to take the NCLEX exam and obtain licensure in the State of Michigan. Graduates who want to practice in other states should review the RN licensure requirements on individual state websites. Visit the State of Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) Bureau of Professional Licensing site for detailed RN licensure and pre-application requirements.

LPN to RN and Transfer Students: Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) that wish to apply for Advanced Standing and students who intend to transfer Nursing courses to LMC from another Nursing program must speak with their academic advisor before applying. Additional information, transcript evaluation, syllabus review, or pathway planning may be required.

For more information on program eligibility, admission, and program pathways, visit the Nursing program webpage at www.lakemichigancollege.edu/nursing or contact the LMC Health Sciences Office.

The Nursing program schedule may not always follow the LMC Academic Calendar or holiday schedule. Students could be assigned to clinical shifts in the morning, afternoon, or evening on any day of the week. Students will be notified of your schedule prior to the semester beginning. Schedules, requirements, and information in the Nursing Student Handbook are subject to change.

❖ **General Admission and Eligibility Criteria**

The following criteria establish the minimum requirements for eligibility. Meeting the criteria for eligibility does not guarantee program admission to any applicant. Additional detail about each of the program prerequisites and admission criteria are addressed in the following pages of this application document. It is important that you review this document carefully and consult with your Academic Advisor regularly during the preparation process. Changes to program requirements may occur from time to time.

1. Submit a Lake Michigan College Application for Admission at www.lakemichigancollege.edu/admissions

2. Be a high school graduate or successfully complete the GED test.

3. Be at least 18 years old before starting Nursing program classes.

4. Send ALL official transcripts from colleges previously attended (other than LMC) to the LMC Records & Registration Office for evaluation.

   ➤ It is **your responsibility** to confirm that your transcripts are on file with the Records Office. All transcripts **MUST** be received by the posted program application deadline.

   ➤ If you previously sent official transcripts for evaluation, but completed additional coursework at another institution afterwards, have an updated official transcript sent to LMC for evaluation as soon as it is available.

   ➤ Please allow 6 to 8 weeks for official transcripts to be evaluated. Failure to have all transcripts submitted on time will result in an incomplete program application.

5. Complete all Nursing prerequisite courses (BIOL 205, CHEM 104, MATH 122 or 123) and pre-program exams (HESI A2, TOEFL iBT) with minimum required grades and test scores by the posted application deadline.

   ➤ Prerequisite courses and exams **must** be completed with the minimum grade requirement (or higher) and on file by the Nursing application deadline. Failure to complete prerequisite courses and exams by the posted application deadline will result in an incomplete program application.

6. Complete any remaining Nursing pre-program courses (BIOL 206, ENGL 101, HEAL 121) with minimum required grades *OR* be enrolled in any remaining required pre-program courses during the semester before the program begins.

   ➤ Pre-program courses **must** be completed with the minimum grade requirement (or higher) before starting the program classes. Admission for accepted students is contingent on completing these requirements before Nursing program classes begin.

7. Meet the Health Science and Nursing program technical standards and functions.

8. Submit a complete Nursing program application by the posted application deadline:

   ➤ Submit page 1 of this application document, plus any supporting documents you wish to include.

   ➤ Applications and supporting documents may be submitted in person, by US Mail, or by e-mail.

   ➤ Clear cellphone pictures and PDF attachments sent by e-mail are accepted.

   ➤ Applications sent by US Mail (USPS, Fed Ex, UPS, etc.) must be postmarked before the application deadline.

❖ **Program Prerequisites**

Prerequisite classes for the Nursing program fall into two categories: pre-application and pre-program. Applicants must complete all prerequisite and pre-program coursework with final grades as indicated below.

If an applicant's math and/or science coursework is older than ten years from the current application deadline, the grade is no longer considered valid for application purposes. The applicant will need to repeat the course. The point deduction will not be applied to repeats of classes that are older than ten years. HEAL 121 must be less than three years old.

Pre-Application (complete by the application deadline)

Course Name	Minimum Grade	Credits Hours	Contact Hours
BIOL 205 Human Anatomy	C	4	5
CHEM 104 Fundamentals of General, Organic, and Biochemistry	C	4	6
MATH 122 Intermediate Algebra *or* MATH 123 Quantitative Reasoning	C	4	4

Pre-Program (complete before starting program classes)

Course Name	Minimum Grade	Credit Hours	Contact Hours
BIOL 206 Human Physiology	C	4	6
HEAL 121 Calculations for Healthcare Professionals	B	1	1
ENGL 101 English Composition I	C	3	3

Applicants may take the listed pre-program courses before applying; at the latest, these courses must be completed the semester before the program begins. Applicants who do not complete the classes with the minimum required grades cannot start the Nursing program and must reapply for admission to a future cohort.

LPN to RN and Transfer applicants may have additional requirements that require additional academic advising and planning. LPN to RN and Transfer applicants must first consult with an Academic Advisor to review current program requirements for the year of desired entry; meeting with the Director of Nursing may be necessary,

❖ **Grade Point Average (GPA)**

All applicants must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.50 or higher. By default, an applicant's LMC GPA will be used during application evaluation. If an applicant does not have an established LMC GPA, or if they did not complete any ranking prerequisites at LMC, the applicant's transfer GPA will be used. If an applicant has transfer credit from more than one school, we will use the GPA from the school where the applicant completed most of the prerequisites.

❖ **Entrance Exams**

Entrance exams must be successfully completed by the application deadline. Failure to meet the minimum score threshold in an entrance exam will require the applicant to retest (if applicable) and re-apply for admission in a future cohort. Contact the Health Sciences Office if you have questions.

Entrance Exam	Score Requirement
ESL APPLICANTS ONLY: TOEFL iBT Test ❖ *Must be completed BEFORE the HESI A2 exam*	**Minimum Overall Score:** 84 **Minimum Speaking Subscore:** 26
ALL APPLICANTS: HESI A2 Exam ❖ *English, Mathematics, and Critical Thinking*	**Minimum Math and English Score:** 75%

TOEFL iBT Test (ESL Applicants ONLY)
If an applicant is from a country where English is not an official language, or if they learned English as a second language, they must complete the TOEFL iBT test as part of the criteria for admission to the Nursing program.

Be advised that this requirement is different from the TOEFL requirement for admission to Lake Michigan College. Contact the LMC Admissions Office or the LMC International Student Specialist with questions or additional information regarding international student Admissions. Applicants who meet one of the following criteria are exempt from the TOEFL iBT for Nursing program admission:

1. Completed four years and graduated from a U.S. high school
2. Were awarded a degree from an accredited U.S. college or university
3. Are from a country where English is one of the official national languages

The minimum scores are based on recommendations from the National Council State Board of Nursing (NCSBN) and are consistent with the previous passing standard recommended for TOEFL, IELTS and the level of English proficiency needed to perform entry-level nursing safely and effectively.

HESI A2 Exam (ALL Applicants)
All Nursing program applicants must complete the HESI A2 exam and meet the minimum score required before applying. This exam covers three areas:

1. English: Grammar, Vocabulary, Reading Comprehension (75% minimum)
2. Mathematics (75% minimum)
3. Critical Thinking (no minimum score)

We do not accept HESI A2 scores from other institutions. Applicants must schedule the HESI A2 with LMC's Testing Services Office online and pay for the exam through Evolve before testing. The HESI A2 can be completed a maximum of two times per calendar year. Applicants must wait 60 days between test attempts. If an applicant does not meet the minimum score within two attempts, they must wait one full calendar year to re-test.

❖ **Graduation Requirements**

The general education courses below are required for graduation and completion of the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) – Nursing degree. General education courses may be completed before program admission *OR* concurrent with Nursing program courses. If taken concurrently, they **must** be completed by the semester specified in the Degree Sequence on page 10. Applicants should contact their Academic Advisor or the Health Sciences Office if they have questions.

General Education Course	Minimum Grade	Credits Hours	Contact Hours
BIOL 110 (or a comparable BIOL 205 prerequisite)	C	4	5
ENGL 102 English Composition II	C	3	3
Humanities or Fine Arts elective	C	3	3
PSYC 201	C	3	3

Applicants must complete all degree and program requirements, *including the minimum number of credit hours*, to earn the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing. In some cases (e.g., specific transfer situations), course substitutions or completion of additional credits may be necessary to satisfy graduation requirements. Course substitutions are subject to approval by the Director of Nursing. If you are seeking a course substitution (for example, if you previously completed MATH 128 in place of MATH 122), please consult with your Academic Advisor first.

❖ **Application Evaluation**

Applications must be turned into the Health Sciences Office no later than 5:00pm on the day of the application deadline. Late applications are not accepted. Additional documentation submitted after the deadline will not be accepted for bonus points. The Health Sciences Office will log received applications and send an e-mail to the applicant confirming their application is on file.

When the application review period begins, the Health Sciences Office will compile information from the applicant's academic record, including (but not limited to) final grades for courses completed at LMC, copies of any official transcripts and evaluations, prior degrees, and test scores. This information will be recorded and used towards the evaluation of points.

During application review and evaluation, the Health Sciences Office will contact the applicant if additional information or clarification is needed. All communication regarding applications will be sent to the applicant by e-mail, except in cases where the applicant cannot be reached.

Awarding Points

Applications are evaluated using a numerical point system. Points are awarded based on grades earned in ranking prerequisite courses, overall GPA, and HESI A2 attempts.

A table describing the points available during the application review is available on page 9 of this application.

Bonus Points

Additional points may be awarded for direct patient care work experience, professional credentials in a healthcare field, a prior degree (bachelor's degree or higher), or participation in a high school health program (e.g., professional health careers academy). Specific documentation is needed to verify work experience or credentials.

Additional information regarding the types of documentation or healthcare work experience accepted for bonus points may be found on page 10 of this application.

A range of points will be awarded based on the score earned for the critical thinking portion of the HESI A2 exam.

Incomplete Applications

If the Health Sciences Office is unable to locate or verify information about a program prerequisite during the review of an application (e.g., completion of HEAL 121 with a "B" or higher, or completion of the HESI A2 exam), the application is incomplete. The applicant will be notified and provided with instructions to apply in the future.

❖ **Application Decision**

Admission to the Nursing program is not guaranteed to any applicant. The Nursing program can admit up to 48 students on one cohort. The applicants with the highest total number of points earned during the application evaluation process will be selected for admission. If two applicants are tied in points, overall GPA will be used to determine placement. If a student is not admitted due to seat limitations, they must re-apply to the next cohort.

All applicants will receive an e-mail with the outcome of their application by the notification date(s) below:

Cohort	App Due Date	Notification of Outcome
Spring (January start)	September 12	October 15
Fall (September start)	May 12	June 15

Program admission is contingent on the successful completion of any outstanding pre-program requirements, including coursework, orientation attendance, and clinical compliance.

❖ **Program Acceptance and Admission**

If an eligible applicant is admitted to the program, they must formally accept their seat in writing. Admitted students will be provided with an acceptance letter and a new student packet. This packet includes a seat acceptance form, a new student checklist, and additional information to help them prepare for the program.

Admitted students who decide to decline their seat must do so in writing. Admitted students who accept their seat but later withdraw their decision must do so in writing. The decision to decline a seat cannot be repealed.

If an applicant does not accept their seat by the provided deadline and cannot be reached by the Health Sciences Office, the applicant will forego placement and must reapply to a future cohort.

If an applicant is not selected for admission to the program, they must reapply to a future cohort. Applications and all supporting documentation must be submitted by the posted application deadlines. Applications do not automatically roll over. Applicants who are not admitted are encouraged to contact their Academic Advisor to review their application readiness and prepare for the next application period.

❖ **Clinical Compliance**

Clinical compliance broadly refers to all of the processes and requirements needed for clinical readiness: pre-clinical background check and drug screenings, immunizations and physical exams, CPR training, and other specific trainings (e.g., pre-clinical modules in WorkDay for Corewell Health). The minimum requirements for clinical compliance are established by the healthcare organizations that provide student access to the clinical setting.

Student Responsibility

The College does not provide or pay for criminal background checks, drug screens, health physicals, and/or any required vaccinations. Students are responsible for obtaining and paying for all screening and healthcare related costs. Admitted students are required to maintain health insurance throughout the duration of the program.

Complio by American DataBank

Admitted students will create an account in LMC's clinical compliance portal, Complio by American DataBank. Students will purchase a background check, drug screen, and program tracker access. The cost is of this initial package is $101. Students will utilize the Complio portal to upload and maintain their health records and clinical forms to maintain compliance with healthcare organization requirements for clinical participation.

Background Check & Drug Screening

All admitted students must successfully complete a background check and drug screening. Both are required to be completed and on file before the scheduled program Orientation session. Flagged reports are subject to additional review and may result in program exit.

Returning students who previously completed a background check and drug screen are required to repeat these screenings. Admitted students who were previously enrolled in another health science program will be required to complete new screenings and will be required to change their program in Complio.

Health Records

All admitted students must upload the following health records as a part of clinical compliance. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the Health Sciences Office with questions in advance. Documents must be on file before starting clinicals. Failure to provide documentation will prevent a student from participating in clinicals.

1. Documentation of the following vaccinations:
   - COVID-19
   - Hepatitis B
   - Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
   - Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (Tdap)
   - Varicella (chicken pox)
   - Seasonal influenza

     Titer test results indicating immunity for Hep B, MMR, and Varicella are accepted.

2. Documentation of a negative tuberculosis (TB) test through ONE of the following options:
   - Two PPD TB skin tests completed consecutively within a 21-day period
   - One TB blood test (QuantiFERON gold or TSPOT)
   - Documentation of clear chest x-rays from within the last three years

   TB test results must be from within the last year. TB testing must be completed annually during the duration of the program.

3. The program health certification (physical exam) form signed by a healthcare provider

4. Completion of Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider CPR training through the American Heart Association or Red Cross. BLS Provider certification must remain valid through the duration of the entire program. Other levels of CPR training, such as Heartsaver, CPR/AED, or fully-online certification, are not acceptable.

Immunization Exemptions
Applicants who wish to request an immunization exemption must notify the Health Sciences Office *after* they have been formally admitted to the program. Exemption requests will not be processed before admission. This will allow LMC to better plan for the timing of the applicant's assigned clinical group or rotation(s). After submitting a request for an immunization exemption, admitted students will meet with the Director of Nursing and review the process for requesting an exemption or accommodation from their expected clinical location(s). Some clinical sites may have different requirements or accommodation processes.

Per the Health Sciences Immunization Request procedure: Lake Michigan College does not require immunizations or health screenings. However, some healthcare certificate or degree programs (including the Nursing program) require immunization and health screenings as a part of clinical education and presence at the onsite clinical environment. Therefore, you should be prepared to meet these requirements or seek an exemption by following the healthcare organization's accommodation process.

The decision to grant an exemption request is made by the healthcare organization, not Lake Michigan College. If a student is unable to secure a clinical education placement because they do not meet the relevant healthcare organization's immunization or health screening requirement, they will be unable to participate in the required clinical education component of their program and therefore unable to complete their program. Our goal is for every student to complete their clinical education. If you seek exemption of an immunization or screening requirement, we will work with you, within our capacity, and the healthcare organization to assist with the process, but ultimately Lake Michigan College does not control the outcome.

Physical Exam & Technical Standards
All admitted students will be required to provide a signed health certification form (physical exam). This form is provided by LMC and includes the program's technical standards and functions for admission, and a list of the health records and screenings required for clinical compliance. The form must be reviewed and signed by a healthcare provider. Health certification forms must be submitted to Complio before starting clinicals. A copy of the program's technical standards and functions may be found on the LMC Nursing webpage or obtained from the Health Sciences Office.

Clinical Site Availability
The clinical site is a third-party entity (healthcare organization, hospital, clinic, etc.) where students are placed for off-campus clinical experience. LMC cannot guarantee that a clinical site will always be available. Arrangement for such a site depends upon the College's ability to enter into formal agreement with the site. Students should not rely upon the availability of a clinical site in a particular geographical location. While the College makes every effort to arrange clinical sites in advance, LMC is not liable for changes in clinical site availability.

Required Academic Criteria

Ranking Prerequisites

Grades earned in BIOL 205, CHEM 104, and MATH 122/123 are averaged together for a "ranking GPA".

Points are deducted for course repeats. Repeats include **any** attempt at a course, including withdrawals, but do not include repeats or attempts older than ten years.

Ranking GPA	0 repeats	1 repeat	2 or more
4.0	20 pts	18 pts	16 pts
3.67	18 pts	16 pts	14 pts
3.33	16 pts	14 pts	12 pts
3.0	14 pts	12 pts	10 pts
2.67	12 pts	10 pts	8 pts

Overall GPA

Applicants must have a **minimum** overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.50 to be eligible for admission.

LMC GPA will be used by default if **any** ranking prerequisite courses are completed at LMC.

GPA	Points
3.75 – 4.0	20
3.5 – 3.74	18
3.25 – 3.49	16
3.0 – 3.24	14
2.75 – 2.99	12
2.5 – 2.74	10

HESI A2

Minimum score: 75%
Reminder: ESL students must complete the TOEFL iBT test BEFORE taking the HESI A2.

HESI A2 scores are valid for 5 years. Points are awarded for the Math and English portions of the exam separately. Points are awarded based on ATTEMPTS, not the score earned.

Test	75% on 1st attempt	75% on 2nd attempt
English (Grammar, Reading, and Vocabulary)	5 points	4 points
Mathematics	5 points	4 points

Bonus Points

HESI A2 Critical Thinking

The Critical Thinking portion of the HESI A2 exam is required, but the points awarded vary depending on the score earned.

Score	Points
900+	8
850-899	6
800-849	4
<800	2

Patient Care Experience, Professional Credentials, or PHCA/Allied Health Program Participation

Documentation must be on file by the application deadline. *See page 9 for details.*

3 points

Prior Degree

Prior degrees must be a bachelor's, master's, or doctorate and officially awarded/conferred by the application deadline.

2 points

This page is intended to provide transparency about how points are calculated and awarded during application review and evaluation. For all minimum grade and pre-program course requirements, please see page 3 of this application.

❖ **Accepted Forms of Documentation**

Applicants must submit documentation verifying current or past direct patient care work experience and/or professional credentials in a healthcare field. The list below details the types of documentation that will be accepted for this purpose. Resumes, recommendation letters, and paystubs are not acceptable forms of documentation. An employment verification letter is not the same as a letter of recommendation. Documentation must be submitted to the Health Sciences Office by the posted application deadline(s). If any documentation provided is unclear or more information is needed, the Health Sciences Office will contact applicants for clarification during the application evaluation period.

Letter of Employment Verification: a letter or email from an employer, supervisor, or manager confirming employment, job title, and a brief explanation of duties. Verification can be emailed directly to HealthSciences@lakemichigancollege.edu or submitted with an application.

License or Certification: a photo or copy of an official license or certification document, letter, or card which demonstrates the applicant holds a formal credential for a healthcare (does not include CPR training).

Employee Portal or Dashboard information: a screenshot or printed copy from an employee portal or dashboard (e.g., Corewell WorkDay) confirming active or past employment, including full name, job title, and place of employment.

❖ **Experience Eligible for Bonus Points**

The following table includes examples of patient care roles and professions. This list IS NOT all-inclusive. Contact the LMC Health Sciences Office if you are unsure about the type of experience or credential you wish to submit.

✓ If the position requires **hands-on patient care and is considered employment,** the applicant **is eligible** for bonus points during the application review.

✓ If the applicant holds **a credential in a healthcare profession**, such as a national or state license or certification, the applicant **is eligible** for bonus points.

✓ If the applicant completed **a high school Allied Health program, such as Professional Health Careers Academy** (PHCA), the applicant **is eligible** for bonus points.

✗ If a job role is **patient-facing but does not involve patient care** (e.g., front desk staff that checks-in patients prior to appointments), the applicant **is not eligible** for bonus points.

✗ If the experience was **completed as an unpaid volunteer or as part of student clinical requirements** during a previous health science academic program, the applicant **is not eligible** for bonus points.

Examples	Eligible?
Dental Assistant, Dental Hygienist	Yes
EMS, EMT, Paramedic, ER Technician, Patient Transporter	Yes
Imaging Technologist, or assistant to a technologist (MRI, Ultrasound, X-Ray, etc.)	Yes
Medical Assistant, Phlebotomist	Yes
Nurse Aide, Nurse Assistant, Home Health Aide, Licensed Practical Nurse	Yes
Patient Care Assistant or Technician	Yes
Pharmacy Technician	Yes
Physical Therapist Assistant, Respiratory Therapist Assistant	Yes
Resident Care Associate or Assistant	Yes
Aesthetician	NO*
Athletic Trainer	NO*
Medical Billing/Coding	NO
Medical Scribe	NO*
Patient Access Coordinator, Patient Registrar, or other non-clinical role	NO

* If the applicant's role demonstrates direct, hands-on patient care, some of the examples above may be eligible for points following additional review of submitted documentation and/or credentials.

Associate in Applied Science - Nursing
Degree Sequence and Graduation Requirements

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The listed general education classes (marked with *) required for graduation must be completed while in the Nursing program no later than where they are indicated in the sequence. They may also be completed before admission.

Prerequisite Courses (before you apply)	Credit Hours	Contact Hours
**BIOL 110 Human Anatomy & Physiology (or other prerequisite for BIOL 205)	4	5
BIOL 205 Human Anatomy	4	5
CHEM 104 Fundamentals of General, Organic, & Biochemistry	4	6
MATH 122 Intermediate Algebra OR MATH 123 or Quantitative Reasoning	4	4

Pre-Program Courses (before you start the program)		
BIOL 206 Human Physiology	4	6
HEAL 121 Calculations for Healthcare Professionals	1	1
ENGL 101 English Composition I	3	3
Prerequisite and Pre-Program Course Total	**24**	**30**

Level 1 (Program Semester 1)		
NURS 131 Pharmacology I	2	2
NURS 180 Nursing Fundamentals	6	10
PSYC 201 Introduction to Psychology	3	3
Semester Total	**11**	**15**

Level 2 (Program Semester 2)		
NURS 181 Medical-Surgical Nursing 1 (7 weeks)	5	10
NURS 182 Community Mental Health Nursing (7 weeks)	3	6
NURS 136 Pharmacology II	2	2
ENGL 102 English Composition II	3	3
Semester Total	**13**	**21**

Level 3 (Program Semester 3)		
NURS 290 Advanced Health Assessment	1	1
NURS 291 Medical-Surgical Nursing 2 (7 weeks)	4	8
NURS 292 Maternal & Child Nursing (7 weeks)	5	9
***Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	3
Semester Total	**13**	**21**

Level 4 (Program Semester 4)		
NURS 293 Medical-Surgical Nursing 3 (7 weeks)	4	8
NURS 294 Medical-Surgical Nursing 4 (7 weeks)	5	10
NURS 288 Current Issues in Nursing	1	1
Semester Total	**10**	**19**
Major Course Total	**47**	**76**
AAS Nursing Degree Total	**71**	**106**

BIOL 110: In some cases (e.g., specific transfer situations), course substitutions or completion of additional credits may be necessary to satisfy this graduation requirement. Speak to your Advisor for more information. Substitutions are subject to approval by the Director of Nursing.

***Humanities/Fine Arts Course**: Any 100-level course or higher in one of the following disciplines: Art, Communications, Foreign Language (or Honors 122, 195, 196), Humanities, Music, Philosophy (or Honors 171, 175), Drama, Any 200-level English course (or Honors 204, 208, 256, 258).