Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) Program

LPN to RN Transition Track

Admission Process
June 2022
PROGRAM INFORMATION

Graduates receiving an Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) from SLCC are eligible to apply for licensure through the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) as a Registered Nurse (RN). The RN is educated as a generalist who delivers health care to clients and family groups and has competencies related to the art and science of nursing. The RN may be employed in a variety of acute, long-term, and community-based health care settings. Registered Nurses function within the legal scope of practice and use professional standards of care when caring for clients and families across the life span. If desired, the degree provides the graduate with an educational foundation for articulation into the university setting for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN).

Upon completing the ASN degree, the graduate can apply to the LSBN for initial licensure and take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The examination tests the knowledge, skills, and abilities essential to safe and effective nursing practice at the entry-level. Upon successfully completing this examination, the graduate becomes licensed to practice as a Registered Nurse in Louisiana legally.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING (LSBN)

The LSBN requires all applicants accepted for Admission to complete an Application for Approval to Enroll in a Clinical Nursing Course Form and an authorization form for a criminal background check. Applicants who have been charged with or pled guilty, or nolo contendere to, been convicted of, or committed a criminal offense that involves a crime of violence or distribution of drugs may be denied the right to practice nursing as a student in Louisiana. LSBN can approve, deny, delay, or otherwise restrict the student's enrollment. If the LSBN does not grant approval, the student will not be admitted to the program.
ADMISSION

The LPN to RN Transition Track is designed for licensed practical nurses (LPN) to complete accelerated academic coursework in preparation for the NCLEX-RN, the national registered nursing (RN) licensure exam. The program includes three semesters of coursework combined with credit for prior learning. The number of students selected each year will depend upon various factors, including faculty availability.

To be eligible for Admission to the LPN to RN Transition Track, the applicant first must be admitted to South Louisiana Community College (SLCC) or be a current SLCC student. The application and all supporting documents must be received by the scheduled deadline. Applicants will not be considered for admission to the LPN to RN Transition Track until all required documents have been submitted and the applicant's file is complete. The applicant should retain a copy of the application and all supporting documents, as the Department of Nursing/Admissions Office will not return any submissions. All correspondence will be emailed to the applicant's email address listed on the application.
Step 1: SOUTH LOUISIANA COMMUNITY COLLEGE (SLCC) ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants to the RN program who are not currently attending SLCC should apply for admission to General Studies for Registered Nursing at www.solacc.edu/ApplyNow. Applicants should provide all general admission requirements and be fully admitted to the college. Admission to the college does not guarantee acceptance to the RN program. Students who are currently enrolled in classes at SLCC are not required to submit a new application, instead they should go to step 2. The admission process for the LPN to RN Transition Track is in the Fall semester of each year.

Step 2: ASN/RN PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the ASN/RN Program is competitive. It is important to note that simply meeting requirements for admission to the nursing program does not guarantee admission. All requirements must be completed before applying to the Nursing Department.

1. Applications are submitted by completing the online JotForm prepared by the admissions office.
2. Complete all required non-nursing/prerequisite coursework before the application with a grade of "C" or better. Microbiology (BIOL 2100) can be considered a co-requisite. Credit for nursing courses from other institutions will not be considered for transfer.
3. Students must earn a minimum GPA of 2.8 in the following 29 credit hours of courses. Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in each of the pre-requisite and co-requisite courses:

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<td>MATH 1105</td>
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<td>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology I Lecture</td>
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a. Anatomy & Physiology courses must be five years old or less. Biology courses greater than 5 years will be accepted if the student has a degree in biology.
b. General education courses must be less than ten years old. If you have a conferred degree, we will accept general education courses regardless of the years.
4. Take the TEAS nursing admission exam and earn a minimum composite score of 62 and a minimum score of 60 in Math and Science.
5. Submit a copy of college transcripts from all colleges and universities attended to the Admission's Office. Transcripts from out-of-state colleges can take up to one month to be evaluated.
6. Submit a copy of your current license or certification in a clinical allied healthcare provider profession.

Step 3: SELECTION PROCESS
The Admissions Office will verify the GPA, individual course grades, degree's earned, and TEAS scores. Applications with all required prerequisite information will be forwarded to the Nursing Department using a coding system that includes the program, start term, and a sequential number. After the application cycle closes, the Admissions Office will send the first set of applications "blind" using a coding system.

The Selection Process includes a series of steps below:

1. Two staff members will review each online application submission.
2. The applications are reviewed, and the questions or concerns are addressed. The Director of Admissions will notify the dean of any questions or concerns during the online application reviews.
3. Each application is reviewed a second time by a different member of the admission's committee. If there are any questions or concerns regarding an application, the applicant should contact the Dean of Nursing and Allied Health.
4. Once step 3 is complete, an administrative assistant input the applicant's scores along with the rubric score in the initial Excel spreadsheet.
5. The Excel spreadsheet is shared with the Dean of Nursing and Allied Health and the Associate Dean of Nursing/Chief Nursing Officer for review.
6. The Dean of Nursing and Allied Health and the Chief Nursing Officer conduct random reviews of the applicants to check for accuracy.
7. In the ASN LPN to RN Transition Track, the top twenty applicants are selected for admission based on the highest scores earned ranging from 0, the lowest score, to 100, the highest score.

Step 4 : SELECTION NOTIFICATIONS

1. Once the selection is made, then the Admissions Office will notify all applicants of admission status (admitted or denied) via email in the Spring Semester.
2. Students who are denied Admission into the program will receive information from the Admission Office to schedule an advising session with staff within the Division of Nursing and Allied Health concerning other pathway options.
3. Students admitted to the nursing program will receive an acceptance letter and additional information regarding the following requirements for the nursing department.
   a) Health History, Physical Examination, TB Skin Test and Immunizations and Titers
   b) CPR for Healthcare Providers (American Heart Association or Red Cross Approved)
   c) Criminal Background Check and Fingerprint Cards as required by LSBN.
   d) Malpractice Insurance for Nursing Students.
4. Students who accept the offer for admission must attend a mandatory Nursing Advising and Orientation Session. The location and date of the nursing advising and orientation will be announced when selections are made.
5. Upon admission into the program, students agree to abide by all published college, division, and program policies regarding student conduct and academic standing.
6. Students who accept the offer for admission must submit a printed copy of their LSBN clinical application approval or student clinic license number, pay for the criminal background check and drug screen, and order compliance tracker by the due dates. Keep in mind that all offers of admission are conditional upon your continued academic success, completion of the final requirements for admission, and approval of the LSBN clinical application.
7. It is the students’ responsibility to notify the LSBN and the ASN program if the status of the clinical application or student clinic license changes.
ACCEPTABLE COURSES

(Refer to the most recent Course Catalog for acceptable Humanities and Arts)

HUMANITIES

COMMUNICATION
- CMCN 1013 Fundamentals of Human Communication 3 Credits
- CMCN 2213 Interpersonal Communication 3 Credits
- CMCN 2050 Introduction to Mass Communication and Media 3 Credits

LITERATURE
- ENGL 2010 British Literature - Medieval to 18th Century 3 Credits
- ENGL 2020 British Literature - Romantic to Contemporary 3 Credits
- ENGL 2025 Major British Writers 3 Credits
- ENGL 2030 American Literature Pre-Colonial to Civil War 3 Credits
- ENGL 2035 Major American Writers 3 Credits
- ENGL 2040 American Literature Reconstruction to Present 3 Credits
- ENGL 2055 Introduction to Fiction 3 Credits
- ENGL 2060 Introduction to Literature 3 Credits
- ENGL 2065 Introduction to Poetry/Drama 3 Credits
- ENGL 2090 Film As Literature 3 Credits
- ENGL 2170 World Literature I 3 Credits
- ENGL 2175 Major World Writers 3 Credits
- ENGL 2180 World Literature II 3 Credits
- ENGL 2210 Introduction to Women's Literature 3 Credits
- ENGL 2220 Southern Literature 3 Credits
- ENGL 2230 Introduction to African American Literature 3 Credits
- ENGL 2240 Introduction to Mythology/Folklore 3 Credits

FINE ARTS

ARTS
- ARTS 1010 Design I 3 Credits
- ARTS 1100 Survey of the Arts I 3 Credits
- ARTS 1200 Survey of Arts II 3 Credits
- ARTS 1210 Basic Drawing 3 Credits
- ARTS 2250 Introduction to Painting 3 Credits
MUSIC

- MUSC 1010 Music Appreciation 3 Credits
- MUSC 1012 Fundamentals of Music 3 Credits
- MUSC 1020 History of Rock 3 Credits
- MUSC 2300 History of Jazz 3 Credits
- MUSC 2310 Acadian Music and Culture 3 Credits

THEATER AND DRAMATIC ARTS

- THEA 1010 Introduction to Theatre and Performing Arts 3 Credits
- THEA 2010 Introduction to Acting 3 Credits
- THEA 2070 Introduction to Film Performance 3 Credits

Note: The course year limit below:

1. MATH, ENGLISH, ARTS, HUMANITIES- < 10 YEARS
2. SCIENCES <5 YEARS
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(for applicant's records)

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☐ Earn a minimum composite score of 62 and a minimum score of 60 on Math & Science TEAS sections, and have results posted on your LOLA account.
☐ Upload copy of current, unrestricted Louisiana LPN license.

Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. If the application is determined to be incomplete, the applicant will be disqualified from the selection process. Providing false information or exclusion of information is cause for disqualification from the selection process.