Nursing - RN Option A.A.S.

Career Community: Health and Human Service Careers
Curriculum Code: 0222
Effective Dates: Fall 2023 –Fall 2026

Description

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, 404-975-5000, and is approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing. It utilizes the career ladder concept. There are specific prerequisites required for entry into the registered nurse program. The program is offered in a 2-year Traditional, 2nd Degree, or Advanced Standing track. The 2nd Degree track is available for students with a bachelor's degree. A practical nurse, paramedic, or respiratory therapist with a current license may gain entry into the Advanced Standing track.

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.

Students admitted in the 2-Year and 2nd Degree tracks will complete Practical Nurse (PN) coursework during the first two semesters of the program. The Practical Nurse (PN) certificate 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 the Certificate of Achievement and the National Council Licensing Examination-Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN) to practice as a practical nurse.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of NURS 201 with a 3.0 or higher, and BIOL 201 and BIOL 202 with a 2.5 or higher, is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Additional Information

This is a selective admission program. In order to be considered as a candidate for this program, students must meet admission requirements beyond those required for admission to the college. All courses listed below for Semesters I and II must be completed by the deadlines posted on the Nursing Program website. Students must achieve a minimum grade of 2.5 in each of the courses required for admission to the Nursing Program with the exception of NURS 201, which requires a minimum grade of 3.0. Once admitted, a student may not begin a new semester in the Nursing Program until they have successfully completed all of the NURS courses listed in the previous sequenced semester with a minimum grade of 3.0.

Contact 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 2023/2024 academic year. For further information, including career options, admission information, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Nursing Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410, selective admissions email, or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

General Education – Applied Degrees, Recommended Courses

(For the full list of options, see General Education)

- English Composition or Applied English
  Program of Study Required Course for Admissions – English Composition will meet this requirement.

- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication
  Program of Study Required Course for Admissions – English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication will meet this requirement.

- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences – *Select one. This requirement can be waived with proof of an earned associate degree (or higher) from an accredited college or university.*
  ANTH 271, Medical Anthropology, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
  COMM 280, Intercultural Communication, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
  MGMT 234, Diversity in the Workplace, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
  SOCL 120, Introduction to Sociology, 4 credits / 4 billing hours

- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
  Program of Study Required Course for Admission - Mathematics will meet this requirement.

- Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Science and Technology Lab
  Program of Study Required Courses for Admission will meet this requirement.

Program of Study Required Courses for Admission - *BIOL 201 and BIOL 202 will also satisfy the General Education - Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Science and Technology Lab requirement.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
BIOL 201	Human Anatomy	4 / 6
BIOL 202	Human Physiology	4 / 5
BIOL 203	Microbiology	3 / 3
NURS 201	Patient-Centered Care	3 / 3
PFHW 163	Healthy Lifestyles	2 / 3

Program of Study Required Course for Admission, Limited Choice – English Composition – *Select one. This course will also satisfy the General Education - English Composition requirement. This requirement can be waived with proof of an earned associate degree (or higher) from an accredited college or university.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 121	Composition I	4 / 4
ENGL 122	Composition II	4 / 4
ENGL 131	Honors Composition I	4 / 4
ENGL 132	Honors Composition II	4 / 4

Program of Study Required Course for Admission, Limited Choice – English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication – *Select one. This course will also satisfy the General Education - English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication requirement. This requirement can be waived with proof of an earned associate degree (or higher) from an accredited college or university.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
COMM 110	Communication in the Workplace	3 / 3
COMM 120	Dynamics of Communication	3 / 3
COMM 130	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3 / 3
COMM 240	Interpersonal Communication	3 / 3

Program of Study Required Course for Admission, Limited Choice - Mathematics – *Select one. This course will satisfy the General Education - Mathematics or Applied Mathematics requirement. (Any course from the General Education Mathematics College Algebra category may also be selected.)*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
MATH 119	Math - Applications for Living	4 / 4
STAT 170	Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4
STAT 215	Intro to Probability and Stats	4 / 4

Recommended Course for Admission

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
BIOL 204	Microbiology Laboratory	1 / 3

Minimum Total Admission Credit Hours

30 credits / 34 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence for Admission

(Sequence may be determined based on prerequisites for the courses. To obtain current prerequisite information, search for the course in the Course Description & Required Prerequisites (Course Catalog) link in Banner.)

Semester I
Gen Ed - Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences
BIOL 201 – Milestone course
ENGL 121, 122, 131, or 132
MATH 119, STAT 170, or 215 (or any Gen Ed Mathematics College Algebra course)
PFHW 163

Semester II
BIOL 202 – Milestone course
BIOL 203
BIOL 204 (Recommended)
COMM 110, 120, 130, or 240
NURS 201 – Milestone course

2-Year Track and 2nd Degree Track Pathway

Program of Study Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
NURS 211	Intro to Nursing Practice	8 / 13.25
NURS 212	Concepts of Pharmacology	3 / 3.5
NURS 221	Nursing Practice I	6 / 10.75
NURS 222	Childbearing Families	4 / 5.5
NURS 231	Nursing Practice II	6 / 10
NURS 232	Children and Their Families	4 / 5.5
NURS 241	Nursing Practice III	6 / 11.75
NURS 242	Professional Practice	2 / 2

Minimum Total Credit Hours

69 credits / 96.25 billing hours (includes Admission requirement credits)

Required Course Sequence for 2-Year Track and 2nd Degree Track
(Sequence may be determined based on prerequisites for the courses. To obtain current prerequisite information, search for the course in the Course Description & Required Prerequisites (Course Catalog) link in Banner.)

Semester III
NURS 211
NURS 212

Semester IV
NURS 221
NURS 222

Semester V
NURS 231
NURS 232

Semester VI
NURS 241
NURS 242

Advanced Standing Track Pathway
Credits granted for Practical Nurse, Paramedic, or Respiratory Therapist License: 12

Program of Study Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
NURS 210	Transition to Prof Nursing	6 / 10.5
NURS 212	Concepts of Pharmacology	3 / 3.5
NURS 231	Nursing Practice II	6 / 10
NURS 232	Children and Their Families	4 / 5.5
NURS 241	Nursing Practice III	6 / 11.75
NURS 242	Professional Practice	2 / 2

Minimum Total Credit Hours
69 credits / 77.25 billing hours (includes Admission requirement and licensure credits)

Required Course Sequence for Advanced Standing Track
(Sequence may be determined based on prerequisites for the courses. To obtain current prerequisite information, search for the course in the Course Description and Required Prerequisites (Course Catalog) link in Banner.)

Semester III
NURS 210
NURS 212

Semester IV
NURS 231
NURS 232

Semester V
NURS 241
NURS 242

LCC makes every effort to limit revisions to the pathways during their effective timeframe. However, the College reserves the right to update certificate and degree title changes, and make course changes as needed, without prior notice.