

Nursing (Registered)

Associate in Applied Science Degree Program Code 210

Pre-Nursing Advisors: Student Services Academic Advising at (269) 927-8128
Transfer students and re-admission students should call TBD at (269) 927-8762 for information.
Appointments are made by the Health Science secretary by calling (269) 927-8768.

Admission Requirements

The Nursing programs have special admission procedures and limited enrollment. Please see the specific admission requirements for health science students on page 16. Contact the Admissions Office for complete details. An advisor will help you determine your eligibility and, if necessary, recommend Lake Michigan College courses designed to prepare you for training in the desired program.

Prerequisite Courses

Credit Hours

Reading 110, Medical Terminology Vocabulary (or equivalent).....	1
Biology 101, Biological Science, or Biology 108, Basic Humn A-P	4
Biology 205, Human Anatomy	4
Computer Information Systems 102, Basic Computer Literacy	1
(or substitute)	
Chemistry 104, Fundamentals of General, Organic, and Biochemistry, or CHEM 105 Fundamentals of Inorganic Chemistry	4

College Requirements

English 101, English Composition.....	3
English 102, English Composition (not ENGL 103).....	3
Political Science 101, National Government, or Political Science 102, State Governments, or History 201, American History 1865, or History 202, American History 1865 to Present	3
Physical Education 200, Healthful Living, or Physical Education 212, Health and Fitness, or Physical Education 214, Personal Health	1 or 3

Support Courses

Biology 206, Human Physiology.....	4
Psychology 201, Introduction to Psychology	3
Psychology 203, Human Development	3
Sociology 101, Principles of Sociology.....	3
Hospitality Management 113, Nutrition & Diet Therapy	3

Major

Nursing 180, Nursing Fundamentals	6
Nursing 130, Pharmacology I	2
Nursing 185, Women's Health	4
Nursing 186, Medical-Surgical Nursing I.....	3
Nursing 187, Medical-Surgical Nursing II.....	3
Nursing 135, Pharmacology II	2
Nursing 280, Community Mental Health	4
Nursing 281, Medical-Surgical Nursing III	3
Nursing 282, Medical-Surgical Nursing IV.....	3
Nursing 285, Children's Health	4
Nursing 286, Medical-Surgical Nursing V	3
Nursing 287, Medical-Surgical Nursing VI.....	3
Nursing 288, Current Issues in Nursing.....	1

Note: Students must have at least a "C" grade in all science and all nursing classes. There is also a ten-year time limit on science courses accepted for program entrance.

Note: BIOL 206 has prerequisites, including CHEM 101 (Prior to fall 2006), or CHEM 104 and BIOL 205, that must be taken prior to admission into the Nursing program. CIS 102 is a basic computer class with hands-on experience on a PC. Recommended alternate equivalent courses for CIS 102 are CIS 100 and CIS 122.

Entrance into each semester of Nursing classes requires completion of all courses, including

Sample Course Sequence

The following course sequences are recommended if you want to complete the entire ADN RN in two years. It is a rigorous schedule and many students prefer to ease the load by completing some or all of the general education requirements prior to beginning nursing classes. An advisor will help you make necessary changes to this sample schedule.

Associate's Degree Program

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3
BIOL 206	PSYC 203	ENGL 102
ENGL 101	NURS 185	HOSP 113
PSYC 201	NURS 186	PHED 200
NURS 180	NURS 187	
NURS 130	NURS 135	

Semester 4

SOC 101
NURS 280
NURS 281
NURS 282

Semester 5

POSC 101 or
POSC 102 or
HIST 201 or
HIST 202
NURS 285
NURS 286
NURS 287
NURS 288

Program Accreditation

The associate's degree Nursing program is approved by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc., (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road NE Suite 850 Atlanta, GA 30326, Phone: 404-975-5000. www.nlnac.org
This agency is a resource for information about length of programs and required tuition and fees. **There is a 71-credit degree requirement needed for graduation.**

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General Education courses, from the previous semester. General Education classes may be taken earlier, but not later, than listed.

About the Area of Study

The Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program qualifies graduates to take the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN) leading to state licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN).

Students enrolled in the two-year associate's degree program (RN) or the one-year Practical Nursing program (PN) share the same first two semesters. The differences in the programs are College graduation and support course requirements. This arrangement makes it possible for LMC's Practical Nursing graduates and other Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) who meet Advanced Standing requirements (see nursing student handbook or program advisor) to enter the second year of the nursing program after completing the support courses from the first year of the program and qualifying for admission to the associate's degree program.

Nursing program applicants should be aware that the Department of Community Health, Bureau of Health Professions, in its Practice Act, states that it can deny a license to an applicant if any of the following are true:

1. Has been convicted of a criminal offense in a court of law.
2. Is habitually intemperate in the use of alcoholic beverages.
3. Is addicted to, or has improperly obtained, possessed, used or distributed habit-forming drugs or narcotics.
4. Is guilty of dishonesty or unethical conduct.
5. Has violated or aided or abetted others in violation of any provision of this act.

This is not an inclusive list. If there are questions about a situation, please call the Department of Community Health, Bureau of Health Professions, (517) 335-0918, and/or check in the Nursing lab for a copy of the Public Health Code.

Clinical Assignments

In addition to classroom work, you will participate in clinical assignments. The eight-hour or 12-hour shifts are scheduled during days, evenings, and weekends at facilities throughout the region and attendance is required. Because clinical schedules are not flexible, you will need to work your schedule around these times, have dependable child care, and have access to dependable transportation in order to travel to the assignments. You should also plan for additional time outside of the printed schedule for practice, clinical preparation, and study.

Nursing Program Handbook

In addition to the rules stated in this catalog, Lake Michigan College Nursing students are required to abide by rules stated in the Nursing Student Handbook. You can get a copy of the Nursing Student Handbook from the Health Science advisor or review it in the William Hessel library.

As a student in the Nursing program, you should expect costs greater than the average LMC student. These additional costs will include a greater number of textbooks, school-approved uniforms, a pre-program physical exam, immunization for specified communicable diseases, name tags, testing and background checks.

Transfer Options

LMC's Nursing program is designed to transfer to Andrews University, Ferris State University, Grand Valley State University, or Western Michigan University which operate degree completion programs for a bachelor's degree in Nursing, or to other four-year institutions depending on their policies. Talk to the LMC Nursing program advisor for more information about transferring credit. LMC has formal articulation agreements with Ferris State University and Western Michigan University.