

LPN to RN Track

Are you an LPN, ready to advance your career? The LPN-to-RN track (NURP) at Cincinnati State may be an option for you to earn an associate degree in nursing and become eligible to take NCLEX-RN. Prospective students must attend a ***Nursing Selective Admission Information Session*** or meet with a nursing advisor in the Health and Public Safety Division (HPS). Students must complete semester 1 (non-nursing courses) with a grade of C or higher prior to applying for admission to the LPN-to-RN technical track. This is a competitive admission program.

The LPN-to-RN program is a modified version of the traditional associate degree in nursing. The support courses (non-nursing requirements) are the same as in the traditional program. The nursing courses have been shortened to three rather than five semesters. The Nursing (department code NUR) sequence of courses begins with “bridge” and “transition” courses that focus on the role of the RN, review of basic nursing skills, and pediatric nursing.

Upon successful completion of semester 1 courses and the “bridge” and “transition” coursework, the LPN-to-RN student will apply for a block of “advanced standing” credits in Nursing (NUR 150), to cover the traditional NUR 101, 102, and 103 courses. The College charges a fee, equivalent to one credit hour, to apply any advanced standing credit.

The LPN-to-RN students will join traditional students for the last two semesters of the nursing program (courses NUR 201 and NUR 202). These courses include medical-surgical, obstetrical, and mental-health nursing as well as nursing leadership and management. Students are required to pass a national standardized exam for successful completion of NUR 202.

Nursing courses may include theory, college lab, and clinical lab experiences. Classes meet 3 or 4 times a week. For this reason, it is often difficult to maintain full-time employment concurrently with a full-time academic load. The general expectation for students in the LPN-to-RN track is that the majority of support courses (non-nursing) have already been completed. This lessens the student’s course load while completing the required NUR course sequence.

There is a **selective admission process** for the limited number of LPN-to-RN seats available. **This track is offered twice a year.** An LPN may choose to pursue the traditional program (five semesters of NUR courses), in order to ease into the NUR courses at a slower rate. This is the recommended route for those without much clinical experience or those needing to complete a lot of the required support (non-Nursing) courses concurrently.

Additional information is available on the College web site, from a Nursing advisor, or at the Information Sessions. The ***Nursing Selective Admission Information Sessions*** are held twice a week when school is in session. Call the Health and Public Safety Division office at (513) 569-1670 for times and locations of information meetings, or to schedule an appointment with a nursing advisor. The admission criteria and Applicant Ranking Worksheet is the same for both nursing tracks (traditional ADN and the LPN-to-RN).

Application deadlines are January for the Summer Semester and August for the Spring Semester.

For additional information, see a NUR advisor or go to the Nursing pages on the College website:
www.cincinnati.edu/academics/degrees-and-certificates/nursing or
<http://www.cincinnati.edu/academics/degrees-and-certificates/nursing-lpn-to-rn>

Nursing - LPN to RN Progression (NURP)

		Lec	Lab	Credits
Semester 1				
NUR 150	Nursing Advanced Standing - LPN to ADN	11	0	11
BIO 151	Anatomy and Physiology 1	3	2	4
MAT 105	Science Math/Quantitative Math	3	0	3
ENG 101	English Composition 1	3	0	3
FYE 100*	First Year Experience Elective <i>[Students may select FYE 100, 105, or 110]</i>	1	0	1
Semester 2				
ENG 102	English Composition 2: Contemporary Issues	3	0	3
NUR 105	Nursing LPN to ADN Transition	2	3	3
NUR 106	Nursing LPN/ADN Bridge	2	6	4
BIO 152	Anatomy and Physiology 2	3	2	4
BIO 220	Microbiology	2	3	3
Semester 3				
NUR 201	Nursing Concepts 4	7	12	11
PSY 110	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
Semester 4				
SOC 105	Introduction to Sociology	3	0	3
NUR 202	Nursing Concepts 5	6	9	9
Total Credits:		52	37	65
*First Year Experience Elective				
FYE 100	College Survival Skills			1
FYE 105	College Success Strategies			2
FYE 110	Community College Experience			3