

AREA: Nursing

DEGREE: Associate of Applied Science Degree:
LPN Transition

LENGTH: Two semesters following completion of all prerequisite courses

PURPOSE: The LPN to ADN Transition is designed to prepare LPNs, with a current unrestricted license in the Commonwealth of Virginia, the opportunity to pursue a curriculum which will provide them with an Associate of Applied Science Degree and eligibility to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN).

The LPN to ADN Transition is an academically challenging program. The program is open to men and women who provide evidence of interest, motivation and aptitude in the area of health care. Students shall be selected on the basis of established criteria and without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, veteran status, political affiliation or disability. Students with disabilities, who meet admission requirements, pass the physical/mental exam, submit the physical examination and are able to perform as student nurses in the clinical setting are eligible for admission. It is the responsibility of the student to meet the physical/mental requirements for state licensure. Satisfactory background search, drug screen and fingerprinting are also required.

OCCUPATIONAL OBJECTIVES: Employment opportunities for the graduate nurse include, but are not limited to hospitals, long-term facilities, clinics, home health, health departments, physicians' offices, day care centers, civil service, military service, industry, private duty and community health services.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Requirements for admissions to the LPN to ADN Transition are specific and admission is selective and competitive. All admission requirements must be completed in order to be considered in the selection process. In all cases, the recommendation of the selection committee is the final determinant for admission to the nursing program.

1. Application to Lord Fairfax Community College
2. High school diploma or GED – Official transcripts must be forwarded to the Office of Health Professions
3. Completion of LFCC placement tests in mathematics, reading and writing skills (if required) and any recommended developmental course work
4. Completion of:
 - High school algebra, MTH 03 or MTH 126 with a minimum grade of C
 - High School chemistry or CHM 110 or CHM 101

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- High school biology or BIO 101 with a minimum grade of C

5. Completion of application for admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program
6. Official transcripts documenting graduation from an approved practical nursing program and evidence of a current unrestricted license in the Commonwealth of Virginia
7. Completion of all prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better by the end of the spring semester preceding NUR 221
8. Evident of computer competency exam, completion of ITE 115 or IC³ test and must be passed with a minimum of a C grade.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

Course#	Title	Credits
*SDV 101	College Success Skills for Health Professions	1
ENG 111	College Composition	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3
PSY 230	Developmental Psychology	3
SOC 200	Principles of Sociology	3
**PHI 220	Ethics	3
BIO 141	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 142	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO 150	Microbiology	4
NUR 115	LPN to ADN Transition	2
NUR 226	Health Assessment	3

*Students must enroll in NUR 115 (LPN Transition) and NUR 226 (Health Assessment) during the summer semester prior to enrolling into the transition nursing program. NUR 115 may be substituted for SDV 101.

**Students transferring credits from another college may substitute the following courses for PHI 220 requirement: ART 101, 102; ENG 242, 243, 244, 251, 252; HUM 100, 201, 202; MUS 121, 122; PHI 101, 225, 226, 227; REL 231, 232; CST 151, 152; Foreign Languages, including American Sign Language.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

Failure to meet requirements will be cause for administrative withdrawal of the student from the nursing program.

1. Physical history and examination – upon admission to the ADN Program. All applicants must be free of any physical and/or mental condition which might adversely affect their performance as nurses. All nursing students must complete a psychological screening.
2. Completion of all required immunizations

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3. CPR Certification as a Health Care Provider (to include adult, infant, and child)			
4. Professional nursing student liability insurance as an LPN and as an RN student			
5. Completion of criminal background search, fingerprinting and drug screen as required and to the satisfaction of affiliating clinical agencies			
6. Completion of all program requirements with a minimum grade of C in all general education and nursing courses including a required preceptorship during NUR 222			
7. Transportation to and from the College and agencies used for clinical experiences			
8. Student is responsible for all fees charged for required testing, uniforms, books and criminal background search and drug screen.			
9. Strict adherence to attendance and performance policies for classroom and clinical courses			
10. NUR 115 (2 credits) and NUR 226 (3 credits) are required of all Transition students the semester prior to entering the program.			
11. Sign an agreement which releases all clinical agencies and their employees, Lord Fairfax Community College, the Virginia Community College System and the Commonwealth of Virginia from any liability for any injury or death to the student or damage to her/his property arising out of agreement of use of facilities associated with a nursing program			

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	First Semester (Summer)		
	NUR 115	LPN Transition	2
	NUR 226	Health Assessment	3
		Total	5
	Second Semester (Fall)		
	NUR 221	Second Level Nursing Principles & Concepts I	9
	NUR 180	Essentials of Material/Newborn Nursing	3
		Total	12
	Third Semester (Spring)		
	NUR 222	Second Level Nursing Principles & Concepts II	9
	NUR 255	Nursing Organization & Management	2
		Total	11
		Program Total	28

FULL-TIME VERSUS PART-TIME: The LPN to ADN Transition Program may be taken on a part-time basis. Students who must work or manage other responsibilities are encouraged to consider this option. All students have a total of two years to complete the program, which begins from the date of curricular enrollment. All part-time students must be enrolled in one course per semester to remain part time.

ACCREDITATION STATUS: The Associate Degree Nursing Program is approved by the Virginia Community College System and the Virginia Board of Nursing.