

Northwest Mississippi Community College

LPN-RN Transition

Thank you for your interest in the Northwest Mississippi Community College Division of Nursing.

The LPN-RN Transition course is an intensive eight week summer course designed to facilitate the transition of the licensed practical nurse to the role of a professional registered nurse. The course content is intended to augment knowledge learned in a practical nursing program and includes an overview of fundamental nursing concepts, essential nursing skills, and culturally competent nursing care of individuals, families and communities. Emphasis will be placed on the provision of quality, evidenced based, patient-centered nursing care while maintaining the highest standard of safety and efficacy. This course includes theory, lab and clinical hours.

As an LPN seeking advanced placement in the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program, you must meet the following requirements to be eligible for the LPN-RN Transition course:

- 1) Applicant **must** be 18 years of age.
- 2) Applicant **must** have passed NCLEX-PN as shown by submitting LPN License number on the NWCC Nursing Division application. This license will be verified with the MS Board of nursing and must be active, unrestricted, and include current IV certification.
- 3) Applicant **must** have completed applications to NWCC and NWCC Division of Nursing, including all transcripts submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records. The Division of Nursing application **must** be completed online and will be available from January 1-February 15 for the LPN Transition summer course.
- 4) Applicant **must** have qualifying score on the nursing admission entrance test prior to application to the Division of Nursing.
- 5) Applicant **must** have an enhanced ACT composite score of 18 or above.
- 6) Applicant **must** have a GPA of 2.5 or greater. Grade point average is based on Anatomy and Physiology 1 with lab, Anatomy and Physiology 2 with lab and College Algebra. If a course is taken more than once, all attempts in the past seven years will be used to compute the GPA.
- 7) Applicant **must** have completed A&P I/Lab and A&P II/ Lab with a “C” or better within the past seven years.
- 8) Applicant **must** have completed with a “C” or better all pre-requisite courses as outlined in the LPN-RN Transition plan of study.
- 9) Applicant **must** be deemed eligible for the LPN-RN Transition Course by the Division of Nursing LPN Advanced Placement Committee.

LPNs who meet the above criteria are eligible for admission on a competitive basis to NUR 1316, LPN-RN Transition course. After successfully passing NUR 1316 with a grade of “C” or better, the student is eligible to be enrolled in NUR 2128 Maternal Child Nursing, space permitting, and will complete the last two (2) semesters with the traditional ADN students.. If successful in passing the LPN-RN Transition Course, the

LPN must enter the Nursing Program within one calendar year or his/her eligibility to enroll directly into the sophomore level nursing course is forfeited.

The above requirements must be met no later than February 15th. All records must be on file in the NWCC Office of Admissions and Records at the time of application to the Division of Nursing. The Division of Nursing LPN Advanced Placement Committee will review all records and notify the applicant via email regarding eligibility to participate in the LPN-RN Transition Course. Upon acceptance, the applicant must attend pre-registration and meet with a LPN-RN nursing adviser during the spring semester or acceptance in the Transition course may be rescinded.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

***Students who are enrolled in but do NOT successfully complete the NUR 1316 LPN-RN Transition Course will be offered the option to begin the traditional ADN Program and will need to notify the ADN Admission Committee prior to the next admission period deadline. These students will not be eligible for readmission to NUR 1316 LPN-RN Transition Course, nor the LPN Challenge.

If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact Stacy Taylor, NUR 1316 course coordinator, at swtaylor@northwestms.edu

**NWCC
DIVISION OF NURSING
PLAN OF STUDY (LPN TRANSITION STUDENT)**

PRE-REQUISITES

BIO 2513, Anatomy and Physiology I	3 hours
BIO 2511, Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1 hour
BIO 2523, Anatomy and Physiology II	3 hours
BIO 2521, Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1 hour
MAT 1313, College Algebra	3 hours
EPY 2533, Human Growth & Development	3 hours
ENG 1113, English Composition I	3 hours
ENG 1123, English Composition II*	3 hours
CSC 1113, Computer Concepts*	<u>3 hours</u>
	23 hours

***These courses are interchangeable with SPT 1113 Public Speaking, PSY 1513 General Psychology and the Humanities Elective.**

Summer Term	Hours
NUR 1316, Nursing Transition	6

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
NUR 2128, Maternal Child Nursing	8	NUR 2318, Adult Health II	8
PSY 1513, General Psychology	3	NUR 2222, Nursing Seminar	2
BIO 2923, Microbiology **	3	SPT, 1113, Public Speaking	3
BIO 2921, Microbiology Lab **	<u>1</u>	Humanities/ Fine Arts Elective	<u>3</u>
	15		16

****Microbiology/Microbiology lab must be completed with a “C” or better before beginning NUR 2318.**