

ARAPAHOE COMMUNITY COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM AAS NURSING PN-RN PROGRAM

The AAS Nursing, PN to RN nursing program option at Arapahoe Community College is a three semester advanced placement program allowing currently Licensed Practical Nurses career mobility to obtain an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing. Upon successful completion of the PN to RN Bridge program, students are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN exam to become a Registered Nurse (RN). There are additional options to obtain your Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) concurrently or immediately following the ADN program.

See Attached Admission Criteria: effective for ALL applications FALL 2022. Anticipated class start date: October 12, 2022.

Please contact the ACC Nursing Department at 303.797.5939 or by email nursing@arapahoe.edu for questions.

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PN – RN Program Admissions Process

Effective for Fall 2022 Admissions

Nursing applications for Fall 2022 program admission will be accepted from July 15-July 30, 2022. Up to 12 students will be conditionally accepted to begin the PN-RN. If more than 12 students qualify for admission, a lottery will be used to determine which students are selected. Students who are accepted must successfully complete NUR1089 Transition from LPN-ADN which is offered at ACC during the Fall session from October 12-December 13. A **mandatory** orientation session will be held in early September.

Admission is also dependent upon passing a background check and urine drug test. See [Disqualifying Criminal Offenses](#) Please be aware that although possession of marijuana is not a criminal offense in Colorado, it remains a federal offense. As it is not acceptable to our clinical partners, testing positive for marijuana or its metabolites will disqualify you from admission to the nursing program.

Visit the [ACC AAS Nursing Department Website](#) for general AAS Nursing information, a list of [Disqualifying Criminal Offenses](#), and the [Nursing Student Handbook](#)

Important to Know:

- Admission into the ACC Nursing Program is an application process. See attached criteria.
- If it has been longer than three years since graduation from your PN program, 1000 hours of work experience as an LPN is required prior to application.
- Applications will be accepted once a year for the following fall and spring admission.
- Any student who has failed two nursing courses within the last two years or is otherwise ineligible to return to any ACC or CCCS nursing program is ineligible to apply.
- Incomplete applications will not be processed nor will the ACC Nursing Department accept any additional materials after the posted deadline.
- Applicants must meet minimum admission requirements detailed below and apply during the specified application period.
 - Complete the following courses with minimum grade of C and Minimum GPA of 2.5 on the 9 Pre-Requisite Nursing Courses
 - BIO2101 A&P I *
 - BIO2101 A&P II *
 - BIO2104 Microbiology with a Lab *
 - BIO2116 Pathophysiology *
 - ENG 1021 English Composition I or ENG1022, or ENG1031
 - PSY 2440 Human Growth and Development
 - HPR1010 Dietary Nutrition or HWE 1050 Human Nutrition
 - MAT1120 Math for Clinical Calculations or higher MAT course recommend MAT11260 Statistics
 - Approved GT elective from Social/Behavioral Sciences OR Arts & Humanities

*Science courses must have been completed within 10 years of entry into the second year of the nursing program to be eligible for transfer approval.

- You must have a current, unencumbered Colorado LPN license.

- If you graduated more than three years previous to application, you must document 1,000 hours of LPN work experience in the 3 years just before you apply.
- A maternal/child/pediatrics exam will be administered to assess PN knowledge to guide transition course content. This exam will be administered after admission to the program.
- Clinical compliance requirements include the following. All requirements must be current through the semester:
 - Current American Heart Association BLS for HC Provider
 - Current Health Insurance Coverage
 - Negative PPD TB (Tuberculosis) Skin test - expires 1 year from date of test
 - OR if previous positive PPD or BCG Vaccine, chest Xray – expires 5 years from date of xray
 - MMR 2 doses required or titer
 - Hepatitis B 3 doses required or titer
 - Varicella (chickenpox) 2 doses required or titer, History of disease is NOT accepted
 - TDAP Expires 10 years from date of immunization
 - Flu immunization Fall semester – due by **Oct. 1st**
 - Covid-19 Follow current CDC recommendations: 2 doses and boosters as recommended. History of disease is NOT accepted. No exemptions are allowed.
- You may be eligible for Dual Enrollment in the ACC RN-BSN Completion Program after successfully completing NUR2006, NUR212, and NUR2011.

Additional Notes

Any course that has a prefix of **NUR** cannot be taken until you enter the nursing program.

You must [Apply to ACC](#) before you complete the online Nursing application. Select “undeclared” as your major. You must have your transcripts evaluated by Records and Enrollment Service Office once you are conditionally accepted to the program. You will be notified by the nursing department to submit transcripts for evaluation of credit if you have taken any of your prerequisite or general education courses at another college or university. You must have an official transcript sent to the Records and Enrollment Services Office directly from each college or university per the instructions on the [ACC Transfer Services](#) web page. Please do not submit transcripts to the Records and Enrollment Services Office until notified to do so by the Nursing Department.

Nursing Prerequisites and General Education Requirements

Pre-requisites: All must be completed before application to the AAS PN-RN Option

The following **9** courses must be successfully completed with a grade of “C” or better, and you must have a **cumulative GPA of 2.5** in these **9** courses **before** you can apply to the ACC Nursing Program:

BIO 2101 Prerequisite: none required. Previous experience in Biology highly recommended. Consult an academic advisor.	Anatomy & Physiology I	4 credits
BIO 2102 Prerequisite: grade of C or better in BIO 2101 in the last 7 years	Anatomy & Physiology II	4 credits
HPR 1010 (minimum requirement) or HWE 1050	Dietary Nutrition or Human Nutrition	1 credit or 3 credits
BIO 2104* Prerequisite: none required. Previous experience in Biology highly recommended. Consult an academic advisor.	Microbiology	4 credits
BIO 2116* Prerequisite: grade of C or better in BIO 201 and BIO 202	Pathophysiology	4 credits
MAT 1120 or higher level MAT course Recommend MAT1260 (Statistics) Prerequisite see MAT req below	Clinical Calculations Ex: College Algebra, Statistics, Calculus	3 credits
ENG 1021 OR ENG1022 or ENG1031	English Composition I or English Composition II or Technical Writing	3 credits
PSY 2440	Human Growth & Development	3 credits
GT elective course	GT Arts & Humanities or GT Social & Behavioral Sciences	3 credits

IMPORTANT: Science courses cannot be more than 10 years old upon entry into the nursing program. If they are more than 10 years old, you will be required to take them again before entry.

The required math course for the nursing program is **MAT 1120** (3 credits) or a higher level MAT. MAT1260 is recommended as it will apply to the BSN. Placement testing or co-requisites may be required

GT Elective Course Guide

Arts & Humanities and Social & Behavioral Sciences

In **general**, the courses that **many** BSN programs require or will accept as an elective requirement toward the baccalaureate degree in nursing include ANT 1101, PSY 1001, and SOC 1001.

If you are contemplating continuing your education to obtain a BSN, you should contact the school that you plan to attend to ascertain which electives they will accept. **YOU MUST CHOOSE ONE COURSE FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST** of GT (guaranteed transfer) courses to fulfill the elective requirement for the nursing program at ACC. Others may apply.

Arts and Humanities

ART 1110, 1111, 1112, 1113
 FRE 2011, 2012
 GER 2011, 2012
 HUM 1003,1015, 1021, 1022, 1023
 ITA 2011, 2012
 JPN 2011, 2012
 LIT 1015, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2011, 2012,
 2021, 2022, 2025, 2046,2055,2059, 2068,
 MUS 1020, 1021, 1022, 1023, 1025
 PHI 1011, 1012, 1013, 1014,1015, 1016,
 2005, 2013,2014, 2018, 2020
 RUS 2011, 2012
 SPA 2011, 2012
 THE 1005, 1008, 2011, 2012,2015

Social and Behavioral Sciences

ANT 1001, 1003,1005, 1006, 107, 2001,
 2115, 2125, 2150, 2315
 COM 1250, 1300, 2220, 2300
 ECO 1001, 2001, 2002, 2011, 2012
 ETH 2000, 2015
 GEO 1005, 1006, 1011, 1012, 1060, 2009
 HIS 1110, 1120, 1210, 1220, 1310, 1320,
 202, 2005, 2105,2110,2015, 2120,2125
 2130, 2135, 2140, 2145, 2200, 2300,2510
 JOU 1005
 POS 1050, 1011, 1025, 2005, 215, 2020,
 2025
 PSY 1001, 1002,2105, 2221, 2333, 2440,
 2441, 2552
 SOC 1001, 1002, 2005,2007, 2015, 2016,
 2018, 2020, 2031,2033, 2037
 WST 2000, 2100, 2200, 2300, 240

GPA Calculator or use an [online GPA calculator](#)

Course	Credits	Enter Grade	Enter Grade Point	Column 3 equals Credits x Grade Pts
		Column 1 Grade	Column 2 Grade Points	
		A, B, C	A = 4, B = 3, C = 2	Column 1 x Column 2
BIO 2101	4			
BIO2102	4			
BIO2104	4			
BIO2116	4			
HPR1010	1			
OR				
HWE1050	3			
MAT103 or eq	3			
Elective	3			
ENG 1021	3			
PSY 2440	3			
29-31				

Total Column 1= Total Column 3 =

Divide Total of Column 3 by Total of Column 1 = Cumulative GPA

Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 to apply

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AAS Nursing PN-RN (Bridge Program) Curriculum

For LPNs currently licensed in Colorado F22 Admission

PREREQUISITES	COURSE CREDITS
ENG 1021 English Composition I (or ENG1022 or ENG1031)	3
PSY 2440 Human Growth & Dev	3
BIO 2101* Anatomy & Physiology I w/lab	4
BIO 2102* Anatomy & Physiology II w/lab	4
BIO 2104* Microbiology w/lab	4
BIO 2116* Pathophysiology	4
HPR 1010 Dietary Nutrition (or HWE1050 Human Nutrition) 3)	1 (or 3)
MAT1120 Clin Calculations or higher (MAT1260 Statistics rec)	3
GT Humanities or Social Behavioral Science	3
Total Prerequisites	29-31

Summer Semester	Course Credits	2nd Semester Bridge (3rd Semester NUR Courses)	Course Credits
NUR 1089 LPN-ADN Transition	4	NUR 2006 Advanced Concepts of Medical-Surgical Nursing	6.5
		NUR 2012 Pharmacology II	2
		NUR 2011 Psychiatric Mental Health Nsg	4
Total	4	Total	12.5

BLOCK TRANSFER	Course Credits	3rd Semester Bridge (4th Semester NUR Courses)	Course Credits
After successful completion of 3 rd NUR Semester Courses			
1 st year Nursing Course Credit posted to transcript as credit for prior learning for LPN License	21	NUR 2106 Advanced Concepts of Medical-Surgical Nursing II	5
NUR1009 (6) Fundamentals		NUR 2030 Transition to Professional Nursing	4
NUR1012 (2) Basic Pharm			
NUR1006 (7) Med Surg Concepts			
NUR1050 (6) Mat/Child Health			
Total	21	Total	9
Prerequisites			29
Required NUR Courses			25.5
Block transfer for LPN (1st year NUR courses)			21
Total Credits Required for AAS (including LPN block transfer)			75.5

*Must be within 10 years of admission

**Elective: GT Arts & Humanities or Social & Behavioral Sciences (3 credits)