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North Central State COLLEGE

ADMISSION PROCEDURE LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING TO ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING ARTICULATION

(LPN to RN Articulation)

Summer Semester, 2027

How do I apply to the LPN to RN Articulation program?

The Licensed Practical Nursing to Associate Degree Nursing Articulation program is for LPN's wishing to pursue a Registered Nursing license. This may also be referred to as simply the Articulation Program. The following items must be completed and be part of your records at North Central State College before acceptance to the program can be determined:

1. Application to the college.

The general application to North Central State College must be completed and submitted. The application can be completed in the Admissions Office located in the Fallerius Center, or online at https://ncstatecollege.edu/admissions/. Previous students of North Central State College who have not attended classes in at least one year will need to update their application to the college.

Students who desire acceptance to the nursing program will be first accepted as "pre-nursing students." This status neither implies nor guarantees eventual acceptance into the articulation program. Pre-nursing students may register for developmental, general, and basic courses only; this excludes the nursing courses with the RNUR prefix.

2. Official copy of nursing school transcripts.

An official copy of your practical nursing school transcript must be submitted to the Student Records Office in The Byron Kee Center for Student Success. This needs to be ordered by you directly from your school either in person or by using the North Central State Transcript Request form available at https://ncstatecollege.edu/student-services/student-records/.

3. Meeting with Academic Liaison

Once items 1 and 2 have been completed, an appointment with the Academic Liaison for Health Sciences programs should be scheduled to review the applicants completed coursework and complete the Health Science Re-entry form. Please reach out to Julie Ihrig jihrig@ncstatecollege.edu.

4. Online verification of Practical Nursing license.

You must have verification of your active, unencumbered Practical Nursing license from the Ohio Board of Nursing website at www.nursing.ohio.gov. The staff in the Admissions Office and the Nursing Programs Administrator will verify your license online at the Board of Nursing website at the time of the dosage calculation test.

5. Dosage Calculation Test.

Testing must be arranged through the Nursing Programs Administrator, Laura Gilmore, at lgilmore@ncstatecollege.edu. Applicants must achieve a minimum of 80% in the Dosage Calculation test. The student will have two (2) opportunities to demonstrate satisfactory competency on this exam. If unsuccessful after two attempts, the student must take RNUR 1030 Pharmacology Nursing and pass with a grade of C+ or better to meet this requirement.

Calculators may be used when taking the dosage calculation test. Please allow one hour to complete the testing process. Once successfully completed, the score for the Dosage Calculation Test will remain valid for two (2) years from the testing date.

Important Additional Requirements!

- ☞ You must have a 2.5 grade point average (GPA) to begin the first term in the articulation program.
- ☞ You will be required to maintain a current Healthcare Provider CPR certification (or American Red Cross, Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers) throughout the articulation program.
- ☞ An acceptable physical health exam, along with verification of required vaccinations, will be required while in the articulation program.
- ☞ An acceptable Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI&I) report/FBI background check and drug screening are required to enter the articulation program. The BCI&I check, FBI background check, and drug screening will be done at the college at the beginning of the program, and the cost is included in the lab fees of the first nursing course. Upon graduation from the program, you will be eligible to take the licensing examination administered by the Ohio Board of Nursing. The Board will not approve applications for persons who have been convicted of the following crimes: aggravated murder, murder, voluntary manslaughter, felonious assault, kidnapping, rape, sexual battery, gross sexual imposition, aggravated assault, aggravated robbery, and/or aggravated burglary.
- ☞ It is the students' responsibility to notify the Student Records Office of any address or phone number changes. Failure to keep contact information updated could prevent you from receiving important communication about acceptance to the program, which will result in your name being removed from the Associate Degree Nursing Articulation Application Pool.

These pre-requisites are reviewed on an annual basis and may be revised for the next academic year.

How are students accepted into the Practical Nursing to Associate Degree Nursing Articulation program?

Prior to entering the articulation program in the summer term, each successful applicant must complete the following North Central State College courses with a grade of at least 77% or transfer credit for all courses taken Fall 2012 or later:

- BIOL 1101 – Nutrition
- BIOL 2751 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I
- BIOL 2752 – Human Anatomy and Physiology II
- College ready in Math - MATH 0084 Intro and Intermediate Algebra or STAT 0086 Algebra for Probability and Statistics
- PSYC 1010 – Introduction to Psychology
- PSYC 2010 – Human Growth and Development

Please be advised that Statistics requires a pre-requisite of MATH 0084 or STAT 0086, which must be met prior to summer term.

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Competitive Acceptance into the Program

Review of applications will start at the end of fall semester. Students in the Application Pool will be selected based on how many science courses they have completed with a grade of 77% or above, or transfer credit. Rankings will be made in the following manner:

- Tier 1 All science courses completed.
- Tier 2 All science not completed.

In the event of a tie, the date/time that the application was received will be used.

All updates to the Competitive List must be done by the end of fall semester 2026. This includes completion of a science course and evaluation of college transcripts for transfer credit. Transcripts from another college can take up to 30 days to be evaluated before transfer credit is awarded. Any updates after fall semester may not be considered in the selection of the class for 2027.

<u>The number of students accepted into the program each year may vary, and admittance is based on available seats.</u>

Acceptance Letters and Responses

Students initially accepted into the program will receive an official acceptance letter and must respond within the deadline noted in the letter. The student can indicate they either accept the position in the class or indicate they are no longer interested in the nursing program. If the student is no longer interested, but wishes to be considered for future classes, the student must complete a new application the following year.

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What else should I know about the Licensed Practical Nursing to Associate Degree Nursing Articulation program?

Uniforms

Nursing students are required to purchase uniforms. Purchasing information will be sent along with the physical exam materials.

Academic Year and Schedules

A new class begins every summer term of each year. Lecture is in-person and online and labs are in- person. Clinical experience is concurrent with the classes and is scheduled in different health care facilities during the year. Students must be able to provide their own transportation.

Academic Standards

A grade of 77% or above will be required in all courses taken Fall semester, 2015, or later, that are part of the Practical Nursing to Associate Degree Nursing Articulation curriculum, to progress in the nursing program and meet graduation requirements. If a student is unsuccessful and desires re-entry to the program later, either as an advanced standing student or starting the nursing program from the beginning, the student must meet the admission requirements and procedures that are current at that time.

Liability Insurance

Liability insurance will be in effect the entire time the student is enrolled. This cost of insurance is included in fees for each semester nursing course.

Contact Information

Contact for Additional Information

North Central State College Admissions – 419-755-4761

Student Success Center – 419-755-4764

Financial Aid Office – 419-755-4899

Health Sciences Office – 419-755-4805

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HEALTH SCIENCES RE-ENTRY FORM

Please Check One:

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_____Physical Therapy
_____Registered Nursing
_____Practical Nursing (Trad. Fall)
_____Radiological Sciences
_____Respiratory Care
_____Practical Nursing (Eve. Summer)

Date: _____ Student ID: _____ College E-mail:_____

Name:_____
(First) (M.I) (Last)

Street Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip: _____

Phone: (Hm)_____ (Cell):_____

Check one of the following:

☐ LPN Articulation ☐ Advanced Standing ☐ Re-Entry ☐ Transfer ☐ Re-Admit ☐ Proficiency

Semester you wish to enter: Year_____ ☐ FALL ☐ SUMMER ☐ SPRING

PROCEDURE

Complete this form at least ten (10) weeks before the beginning of the semester in which you wish to enroll. Academic records will be sent to the appropriate Health Sciences department for review and evaluation. You will be notified of the decision by the department concerning your entry into the program.

**If, after one year from the above date, you have not been re-admitted to the Health Sciences program checked above, you will have to complete a new *Health Sciences Re-Entry Form.*

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Signature

Completed forms can be emailed to Amy Burns (aburns@ncstatecollege.edu) or Ashley O'Brian (aobrian@ncstatecollege.edu). They can also be dropped off at the Health Sciences Center– Room 201.

FOR LPN ARTICULATION: Completed forms should be emailed to hsapps@ncstatecollege.edu. They can also be dropped off at the Health Sciences Center– Room 201.