

LVN TO RN CAREER LADDER ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

The Registered Nursing LVN-to-RN Program is an 18-month course of study consisting of both classroom and clinical training. Graduates of the program work as integral members of the healthcare team, providing care and educating clients across the lifespan. Graduates earn the Associate of Science degree and are eligible to sit for the State licensure exam (NCLEX-RN). Prospective students must first complete required prerequisites and general education requirements before entry to the program. Admission to the program is competitive. Initial screening is based on the CA Chancellor's Office Formula for Nursing Student Success which takes into account the applicant's overall college GPA, English prerequisite GPA, and prerequisite sciences GPA. Applicants who achieve the minimum cut score using this formula are then chosen by a random computerized selection process (lottery). For further details on admission criteria, see the Mendocino College Nursing Department webpages.

Required Courses - Prerequisites

(must be completed by end of semester in which application submitted) **Units**

BIO 230	Human Anatomy	5
BIO 231	Human Physiology	5
BIO 259	Microbiology	5
ENG 200	College Composition	3

Plus 1 of the following Required Prerequisite Health Courses: **Units**

HLH 114	Foods and Nutrition	3
HLH 115	Therapeutic Nutrition	3

Plus 1 of the following Required Prerequisite Psychology Courses: **Units**

PSY 205	Introductory Psychology	3
PSY 210	Life Span Developmental Psychology	3
PSY 215	Psychology of Personal Growth	3
CDV 200	Psychology of Development: Infancy through Adolescence	3

Plus 1 of the following Required Prerequisite Anthropology/Sociology Courses: **Units**

ANT 201	Cultural Anthropology	3
SOC 200	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 201	Social Problems	3
SOC 202	Racial and Ethnic Relations	3

Plus 1 of the following Required Prerequisite Speech Courses: **Units**

COM 203	Introductory to Public Speaking	3
COM 210	Interpersonal Communication	3

Required Courses - Major: **Units**

NUR 50	LVN-RN Transition	1
NUR 52C	Nursing Technical Lab III	1
NUR 52D	Nursing Technical Lab IV	1
NUR 52T	Nursing LVN-RN Transition Lab	1
NUR 121	Leadership and Management I	1
NUR 122	Complex Medical/Surgical Nursing I	8
NUR 125	Pharmacology III	1
NUR 126	Nursing Seminar I	2
NUR 131	Leadership & Management II	1
NUR 132	Complex Medical/Surgical Nursing II	8
NUR 135	Pharmacology IV	1
NUR 136	Nursing Seminar II	2

Total Major Units **28**

Total Degree Units **60**

Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Successfully passes ATI in pediatrics, OB, Fundamentals, Nutrition and Comprehensive Predictor with minimum of 65 and/or at Level II.
2. Successfully completes minimum of 132 hours of individual clinical preceptorship as assigned in final semester as outlined in Mendocino College RN preceptor Handbook.

3. Practices within legal, ethical, and regulatory guidelines while adhering to standards of professional practice and accepting accountability for personal actions.
4. Becomes eligible and succeeds on the state board examination (NCLEX-RN) leading to licensure.
5. Meets qualifications and obtains an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing: LVN to RN.