



DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
Associate of Applied Science
NURSING (ADN)

Northern New Mexico College's Department of Nursing offers two associate degrees in Nursing (ADN), a certificate in Practical Nursing (PN), and an RN to BSN (Completion Program) at the baccalaureate level.

Formal application and acceptance into the Nursing program is required before students enroll in any NURS-prefixed course listed in the program requirements with the exception of NURS 100 and NURS 100L. Support courses may be taken before entry into the program or during the course of nursing studies.

If you are interested in the Nursing program, please contact the Director of Nursing (505-747-2207) for information, advisement, and an application packet.

Associate Degree in Nursing Program
PROGRESSION OF NURSING STUDIES

1. Upon successful **completion of the first year of nursing studies (Level I)** students can progress directly into **Level II** nursing courses.
2. Successful **Level I** nursing students are offered the **option** of enrollment in additional coursework (NURS 119) required for **practical nurse (PN)** candidacy status.
3. Upon successful completion of the optional **PN** course work students are awarded a **Certificate of Practical Nursing** and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN).
4. Upon successful **completion of the two year course of nursing studies (Level II)**, graduates of the nursing program are awarded an **Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)** and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nursing (NCLEX- RN).
5. Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses (LPN/LVN) who are graduates of state approved programs of practical nursing may be **admitted directly into Level II of the Nursing program based on individual assessment of transcripts.**

PROGRAM POLICIES

Qualified nursing student candidates are accepted into the Nursing program on a **tentative basis** pending completion of the following requirements:

1. If accepted into the Nursing program, proof of **current immunization status** as outlined in the application packet as well as proof of current **CPR (American Heart Association, Basic Life Support)** must be provided to nursing administration on or before August 1st to ensure student placement. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in forfeiture of the student slot.
2. If the nursing student candidate is completing required course work during the summer semester it is the candidate's responsibility to **provide nursing administration with summer course work transcripts** (grades of a "C" or better are required along with a cumulative GPA of 2.5) as soon as possible. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in forfeiture of the student slot.
3. Upon acceptance into the Nursing Program nursing students are required to obtain a **criminal background check to include fingerprinting and drug screens.**

Students can have **no disqualifying criminal convictions** as determined by the New Mexico Department of Public Health *Caregivers Criminal History Screening Program*.

4. If the New Mexico Department of Public Health determines a student has a disqualifying criminal conviction the student will be notified of the decision by the NM Department of Public Health Review Board. The student then has the option of **petitioning** said board for **reconsideration**. During the reconsideration process, the review board must determine the student **forgiven of a past criminal record** for the student to be allowed to participate in the Nursing program course of studies. Failure to be forgiven will result in forfeiture of the student slot.
5. Nursing students must test **negative** on mandatory drug screening. Failure to test negative will result in a review of drug screening results by a private testing entity. **The student will be responsible for the expenses incurred in this additional screening process.** The private testing company will determine the final student drug screening status.

Once accepted into the program, students **must maintain a grade of “C” or better in each required course in order to remain in the program.** A grade of “D” or below is not acceptable in the Nursing program. The grading scale for the Nursing program is as follows:

A = 100 – 93 B = 92 – 85 C=84 – 77 D = 76 – 69 F = Lower than 68

Once accepted into the Nursing program, it is the professional responsibility of all nursing students to maintain a **current immunization and CPR status.**

Please refer to the Northern New Mexico College Nursing Education Program Student Handbook for additional policies and information.

The NM State Board of Nursing may deny, revoke, or suspend any license upon grounds that the licensee or applicant violates any of the following actions: is guilty of fraud or deceit in attempting to procure a license; is unfit or incompetent; has been convicted of a felony; is habitually intemperate, is addicted to habit-forming drugs, or is mentally incompetent. **Please consider this before applying to this program.**

Prerequisites for Admission Consideration

1. High School or GED diploma.
2. Cumulative GPA of **2.50** or higher
3. Completion of the following course work with a minimum grade of “C”.
 - ENG 111 English Composition I (3)
 - BIOL 210/L Microbiology with Lab (4)
 - BIOL 237/L Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab (4) (within the last 5 years)
 - BIOL 238/L Human Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab (4) (within the last 5 years)
 - HSCI 204 Nutrition (3)
 - PSY 105 General Psychology (3)
 - PSY 290 Developmental Psychology (3)
 - NURS 100/L Nurse Aide with Lab (5)

A state-recognized Nurses’ Assistant (Aide) Certificate will be accepted in lieu of NURS 100/L.

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 29

4. Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) taken within the last two years with a minimum score in the 50th national percentile.

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GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (27)	COMPLETED	Planned Timeline (By Semester)
<u>Communications (6)</u>		
ENG 111 English Composition I (3) <i>Pre-requisite: ENG 109 or adequate score on the Course Placement Evaluation</i>	_____	_____
<u>Choose one of the following courses:</u>		
ENG 112 English Composition II (3) <i>Pre-requisite: ENG 111</i>	_____	_____
ENG 116 Technical Writing (3) <i>Pre-requisite: ENG 111</i>	_____	_____
SPCH 130 Public Speaking (3) <i>Pre-requisite: ENG 109 or adequate score on the Course Placement Evaluation</i>	_____	_____
SPAN 230 Span. for Health Professions	_____	_____

Math/Computers/Lab Sciences (12)

BIOL 210/L Microbiology with Lab (4) _____

Pre-requisite: CHEM 110/L

BIOL 237/L Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (4) _____

Pre-requisite: CHEM 110/L

BIOL 238/L Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab (4) _____

Pre-requisite: BIOL 237/L

Social/Behavioral Sciences (6)

PSY 105 General Psychology (3) _____

Pre-requisite: ENG 109 or adequate score on the Course Placement Evaluation

PSY 290 Developmental Psychology (3) _____

Pre-requisite: ENG 109 or adequate score on the Course Placement Evaluation

Humanities and Fine Arts (3)

Choose from the following discipline areas: Art (theory only), History, Humanities, Literature, Music (theory only) Philosophy, or Theatre (theory only)

Elective (3) _____

Pre-requisite: ENG 109 or adequate score on the Course Placement Evaluation

HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION & RECREATION (1)

Elective (1) _____

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (44)

HSCI 204 Nutrition (3) _____

Pre-requisite: BIOL 110/L or CHEM 110/L

NURS 104 Dosage Calculations (2) (Fall) _____

Pre-requisite: MATH 100; Co-requisite: NURS 105

NURS 106 Pharmacology I (2) _____

Pre-requisites: BIOL 238/L and 210/L; Co-requisites: NURS 113/L and NURS 104

NURS 107 Pharmacology II (2) _____

Pre-requisite: NURS 106

NURS 113 Nursing Fundamentals (4) _____

Pre-requisites: BIOL 237/L, BIOL 238/L; Co-requisite: NURS 113L

NURS 113L Nursing Fundamentals Clinical (2) _____

Co-requisite: NURS 113

NURS 114L Introduction to Health Assessment (1) _____

Pre-requisites: NURS 104, NURS 106, NURS 113/L, NURS 114L

NURS 116 Introduction to Maternal-Child Nursing (2) _____

Pre-requisites: NURS 105, NURS 113/L, and HSCI 204;

NURS 125 Medical/Surgical Nursing I (4) _____

Pre-requisites: NURS 113/L, BIOL 210/L; Co-requisites: NURS 125L

NURS 125L Medical/Surgical Nursing I Clinical (2) _____

Co-requisite: NURS 125

NURS 217 Maternal/Newborn Nursing (1) _____

Pre-requisites: All Level-I courses; Co-requisite: NURS 217L

NURS 217L Maternal/Newborn Nursing Clinical (1) _____

Co-requisite: NURS 217

NURS 218 Pediatric Nursing (1) _____

Pre-requisites: All Level-I courses; co-requisite: NURS 218L

NURS 218L Pediatric Clinical (1) _____

Co-requisite: NURS 218

NURS 225 Medical/Surgical Nursing II (4) _____

Pre-requisites: NURS 125, NURS 107, NURS 116; Co-requisite: NURS 225L

NURS 225L Medical/Surgical II Clinical _____

Co-requisite: NURS 225

NURS 235 Medical/Surgical Nursing III (4) _____

Pr-requisites: NURS 225, NURS 217, NURS 218, Co-requisite: NURS 235L

NURS 235L Medical/Surgical III Clinical (2) _____

Co-requisite: NURS 235

NURS 214 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing (2) _____

Pre-requisites: All Level-I courses; Co-requisite: NURS 214L

NURS 214L Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing Clinical (1) _____

Co-requisite: NURS 214

NURS 240 Role Transition/Registered Nurse (!) _____

**Sequence of Courses
Year I, Level I**

Fall Semester

NURS 104
NURS 106
NURS 113
NURS 113L
NURS 114L

Spring Semester

NURS 107
NURS 116
NURS 125
NURS 125L

Summer

NURS 119 (May be offered in Spring or Summer Semester)

Year II, Level II

Fall (10)

NURS 225 (4)
NURS 225L (2)
NURS 217 (1)
NURS 217L (1)
NURS 218 (1)
NURS 218L (1)

Spring (13)

NURS 235(4)
NURS 235L (2)
NURS 214 (2)
NURS 214L (1)
NURS 240 (1)
Humanities elective (3)

Educational Planning Form (Semester)

Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer
Total Units	Total Units	Total Units
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