



Mount Wachusett Community College

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Application for Entrance
January 2010
September 2010

A.S. Nursing

LPN Bridge (January Entrance Only)

Application & Information Packet

Thank you for considering a program in nursing at Mount Wachusett Community College.

This information packet explains the admissions process, as well as the entrance requirements for the A.S. Nursing Degree. Please read this information carefully. Those who complete the A.S. Nursing Degree become eligible to take the NCLEX-RN Exam for licensure as a Registered Nurse. Concurrent applications to other healthcare programs are prohibited.

Admission to this program is competitive and seats are limited. Therefore, everyone who applies may not be admitted to the program. Files must be complete by application deadline in order to be eligible for review by the Admissions Committee.

INFORMATION SESSIONS
The Nursing Department offers monthly information sessions that will include program information, the admission process, and financial aid information.

Attendance at one information session is strongly suggested. Transcript reviews are not conducted at these sessions.

Please call (978) 630-9110 for more information.

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HOW TO APPLY:

Applicants must submit the following to the Admissions Office:

- A completed college application accompanied by the \$10.00 application fee.
- Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS):** Beginning with the 2009 academic year MWCC has made the TEAS test a requirement for admission to the Associate Degree in Nursing and Practical Nursing Certificate programs. MWCC strongly recommends that applicants complete program pre-and co-requisite courses especially English Composition I, Math and a four-credit lab science before taking the TEAS Test to enhance their knowledge base. The cost is \$45.00.
- REQUIRED BY ALL APPLICANTS:** Verification of completion of high school or equivalency (see the college catalog for acceptable documentation). Current high school students must submit a high school transcript. Education completed outside of the U.S. must be officially translated/evaluated for high school equivalency and these documents must be received from the evaluating firm which may be found at www.naces.org. Documentation in an official sealed envelope or actual diploma/certificate may be hand delivered to the admissions office.
- Official college transcripts (if applicable). Transfer credits for education completed outside of the U.S. must be evaluated for equivalency. Documents must be received directly from the college or evaluating firm or may be hand delivered in an official sealed envelope. Evaluating agencies can be found at www.naces.org.

NOTE: Transfer credits must be completed at an accredited college and official transcripts should be received 45 days prior to deadline for processing. Photocopies will not be reviewed or accepted. Transcripts that have not been processed for transfer credits will not be used in the ranking process. Please contact Glenn Roberts, Director of Enrollment Services, at (978) 630-9237 for further information.

- Complete the Nursing Application Packet
- Documentation demonstrating that all minimum requirements for consideration have been met (refer to page 2).
- Students whose native language is not English and those who have not completed Grades K - 12 in the U.S. must demonstrate English proficiency by having completed ENG101 with a grade of C+ or higher, or have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited U.S. college or university, or score 213 on the computerized version or 550 on the paper version of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
- LPN Bridge applicants must submit proof of current license and official PN transcript. Please note: Participation in this program is offered to a limited number of applicants on a space available basis.
- Letters of recommendation are not required.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

A.S. Nursing Degree (Fall Entrance)**January 15, 2010**

Advanced Standing Applicants

Transfer, Readmit: Jan. Entrance.....**November 1, 2010**

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION

A.S. NURSING DEGREE Day and Evening Program. Classes begin in September.

General Applicants:

Applicants must have completed the following at time of application:

1. One college math course completed at an accredited college equal to MAT126 or higher with a C+ or greater or placement of MAT128 or higher (placement score of 83 or greater in Algebra and/or 31 or greater in College Math)
2. One 4-credit Lab Science completed at an accredited college with a grade of C+ or greater. High school courses can be considered if completed within the past 5 years.
3. The ability to enter college-level coursework in English. English competency may be demonstrated through college coursework or placement of ENG101 (placement of 5 or greater on the Writing Sample and 69 or greater in Reading).
4. Students whose native language is not English and those who have not completed grades K - 12 in the U.S. must demonstrate English proficiency by having completed ENG101 with a grade of C+ or higher, or have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited US college or university, or score 213 on the computerized version or 550 on the paper version of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
5. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete all non-nursing pre and co-requisite coursework prior to applying to the program due to the competitive admission requirements of the program.

Current High School Applicants:

Applicants must have completed the following at time of application:

1. Completion of two lab science courses. College-Prep courses must be completed with a grade of 87% or greater. Honors and Advanced Placement level courses will be considered with a grade of 77% or greater. If the course level is not clearly stated on your transcript, please submit a letter from your guidance counselor verifying course level.
2. Demonstrated competency in math, reading and English. You must schedule and complete college placement testing prior to the application deadline. Schedule your appointment at the testing center at 978-630-9244. Applicants must be able to demonstrate a competency of: 83 or greater in Algebra and/or 31 or greater in College Math; 69 or greater in Reading; 5 or greater on the Writing Sample.

Notice to ALL applicants: Science courses older than 5 years are not accepted toward ranking without an approved petition from the Director of Nursing.

Advanced Standing Categories:

LPN Bridge to A.S. Degree Applicants:

Entrance in Spring (day/evening) and Summer (day only)

Applicants must be currently licensed practical nurses and must meet all requirements of General Applicants (listed above) and submit all documentation required of new applicants listed on page 1-How to Apply.

1. Credit is awarded for NUR111 to currently licensed practical nurses when verification of license is received by admissions.
2. Applicants must have completed ENG101, PSY105 and BIO203.
3. Those accepted students who have not completed PSY110, BIO204 and BIO205, will be required to complete these courses before allowed to begin NUR 220/230.

Each applicant must submit all required information listed on page 1 of this application. Courses in progress at time of application deadline will not be considered as meeting these requirements.

Readmission or Transfer Applicants:

Applicants must meet all requirements of General Applicants (listed above) and submit all documentation required of new applicants listed on page 1- How to Apply.

1. Must have completed nursing coursework with grade of C+ or greater. If not completed, applicants must apply as a general applicants.
2. Readmit applicants will be accepted for readmission once.
3. Transfer applicants must submit official transcripts and course descriptions for nursing coursework completed. Courses must have been completed at an accredited college and transcripts must be received 45 days prior to application deadline.

Your request will be reviewed and you will be notified by mail of the decision approximately 30 days following the application deadline.

Special Program Requirements

Please note that the following information must be received before courses begin:

1. Health examination conducted within the past two years by a licensed health care provider.
2. Proof of current immunizations (DPT, MMR, Varicella, Hepatitis B series with follow-up TITRE and TB screening) must be provided to the Health Office. Contact the health office, ext. 136 for more information.
3. Liability Insurance of \$1,000,000/\$3,000,000 coverage is required. Students will be covered under the college's liability insurance policy, which will be billed through student fees.
4. All nursing students must participate in the Massachusetts Community College Health Insurance or provide accurate information regarding comparable coverage.
5. Completion of CORI/SORI form
6. CPR Certification (**Professional Rescuer, Health Care Provider**) is required. CPR certification will be offered prior to the start of classes for a fee. This is good for 2 years and at the proper level of certification. A certificate of completion must be presented to the Health Sciences Department prior to entry into nursing courses.
7. Students are required to travel off-campus to reach clinical sites. No special consideration is given for clinical placements. All students are required to complete clinical rotations in Worcester and Groton with no exceptions.
8. **Please note that the above information must be received before registering for nursing classes.**

Technical Standards

Students entering these programs must be able to demonstrate the ability to:

1. Comprehend textbook material at the 11th grade level.
2. Communicate and assimilate information either in spoken, printed, signed, or computer voice format.
3. Gather, analyze, and draw conclusions from data.
4. Stand for a minimum of two hours.
5. Walk for a minimum of six hours, not necessarily consecutively.
6. Stoop, bend, and twist for a minimum of 30 minutes at a time and be able to repeat this activity at frequent intervals.
7. Lift a 40-pound person or assist with a larger person and transfer the person from one location to another.
8. Determine by touch: hotness/coldness, wetness/dryness, hardness/softness.
9. Use the small muscle dexterity necessary to do such tasks as gloving, gowning, and operating controls on machinery.
10. Respond to spoken words, monitor signals, call bells, and vital sign assessment equipment.
11. Identify behaviors that would endanger a person's life or safety and intervene quickly in a crisis situation with an appropriate solution.
12. Remain calm, rational, decisive, and in control at all times, especially during emergency situations.
13. Exhibit social skills appropriate to professional interactions.
14. Maintain cleanliness and personal grooming consistent with close personal contact.
15. Function without causing harm to self or others if under the influence of prescription or over-the-counter medications.

Students are expected to meet the technical standards for enrollment in college programs. In some cases, assessment and developmental courses may help students meet these standards. Technical standards must be met with or without accommodations. The college complies with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Therefore, the College will make a reasonable accommodation for an applicant with a disability who is otherwise qualified.

Program Competencies

Upon graduation from this program students shall have demonstrated the ability to:

1. Provide nursing care through independent and collaborative application of the nursing process.
2. Utilize caring interventions when providing nursing care to a diverse population across the lifespan.
3. Manage the delivery of nursing care to groups of clients.
4. Communicate accurately and effectively by oral, written, and/or electronic means.
5. Utilize therapeutic skill in all aspects of nursing practice.
6. Implement a teaching plan based on the learning needs of the client and/or significant others
7. Advocate for the rights of clients
8. Function within the ethical and legal framework of Associate Degree Nursing.

Accreditation

The A.S. Nursing Degree (RN) and Practical Nursing Certificate (PN) Programs are approved by the Massachusetts Board of Nursing. The A.S. Nursing Degree (RN) Program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC), 61 Broadway, New York, NY, 10006, Phone (212) 363-5555, Ext. 153. Upon completion of the A.S. Nursing Degree (RN) program, graduates take the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN).

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974

As in any healthcare environment, students in the Nursing Program may have risks of exposure to infectious diseases. The Nursing Program adheres to all state and federal regulations to reduce the risk of health care associated infections.

Individuals who disclose the presence of bloodborne infectious diseases will be shown the same consideration as non-infected individuals and will be offered reasonable accommodation. Information regarding health status of an individual is considered confidential, and protected by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

Questions & Answers

How do I make an appointment to complete my placement testing?

Once you have submitted a college application with your \$10.00 application fee, you may contact the College Success Center to schedule a time to complete your placement testing by calling (978) 630-9244. Placement testing is available both day and evening. If you have completed placement testing in the past two years, these scores can be used if they meet the program requirements. An additional fee of \$10.00 will be charged for those individuals who request to retest.

If I do not meet both the math and science requirements by deadline, will my file be reviewed?

No, unfortunately your file will not go to committee. Only those applications displaying both the math and science requirements at time of deadline will be reviewed (see minimum requirements for consideration).

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS (continued)

I haven't completed the coursework needed to apply to the nursing program yet. Can I still come to MWCC?

YES! Students are encouraged to enter the college as a "General Studies-Allied Health Student (GSAH)" student. With this major, you will be identified as a potential nursing applicant and will be assigned an advisor that will assist you in establishing an educational plan. As a GSN student, you may complete any of your non-nursing courses (i.e. English, mathematics, sciences, psychology, etc.) then apply to the program when you have met the requirements for consideration.

Can I speak with an advisor about the Nursing Program?

Yes, you may attend a nursing information session and meet with a representative from the Nursing and Admissions departments.

Please call (978) 630-9110 and reserve a seat!

How is my file evaluated?

Our nursing class is selected from a pool of applicants who have displayed the minimum academic requirements for admission to the program. Space is limited and not all applicants are accepted. Applications will be reviewed and candidates will be notified of the admissions decision by mail approximately 45 days after the deadline. The process is competitive and your file will be ranked using the following criteria:

All students must have completed a HS Diploma or GED. Students, who have completed secondary school outside the US, must have their records evaluated by a recognized credential agency. Please refer to www.cedevaluations.com for more information.

TEAS results.

Math: Students must demonstrate the minimum of an Topics Math (126) course or achieved an 31 or higher on the college level math Placement Test (CPT).

English: Students must demonstrate the minimum ability to enter an English Composition I course or score 5 or better on Write Placer and 68 or better on Sentence Skills College Placement Tests.

An applicants' academic standing (overall GPA, grades in specific courses) is the main determinant for evaluation:

An applicant must have completed one four credit Science Course within the last 5 years or within the last 10 years with a successful petition for Science Coursework. Due to the competitive nature of selection, some applicants will complete the following Science Courses prior to program entrance: Anatomy & Physiology 1 & 2 (BIO 203 & 204) and Microbiology (BIO 205)

Due to the competitive nature of selection, some applicants will complete the following General Education Courses prior to program entrance: English Composition 1 & 2 (ENG 101 & 102), Intro to Psychology (PSY 105), Human Growth & Development (PSY 110), and Introduction to Sociology (SOC 103)

An applicant's prior degrees and/or certificates are taken in to consideration.

An applicant's work experience is taken into consideration; more specifically, applicants who have worked or are working in Indirect or Direct Healthcare positions.

If I am not accepted this year, will I automatically be accepted next year?

No, you are not guaranteed acceptance. All applicants must reapply.

Is there a pre-admission entrance examination?

Yes. Mount Wachusett Community College requires students to complete the TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills). For more information or to schedule testing, please contact the College Testing Services office at (978) 630-9244.

Can I work and attend classes full-time?

Nursing and science coursework is complex and requires a personal commitment. Part-time employment may be appropriate, but will need to be flexible in order to accommodate school requirements. Students are encouraged to balance their employment and school responsibilities.

Where do I attend a clinical setting or placement, and how do I get there?

Nursing students are responsible for their own transportation to clinical sites which include health care agencies in such areas as Worcester, Leominster, Fitchburg, Ayer, Baldwinville, Athol, Gardner, and Groton.

I am already an L.P.N. Is there a special program for me?

Licensed Practical Nurses are encouraged to apply to the LPN Bridge to A.S. Degree program. Credit is given for NUR111. When appropriate semester coursework is complete, a currently licensed LPN may advance into Nursing 113 and 114. LPN's have the option to complete or challenge Nursing 113 and 114 on a **space-available basis whenever the course is offered.**

If I am not accepted into the A.S. Nursing Degree program, will my application automatically be considered for the Practical Nursing Certificate program?

No. If you would like your application considered for the Practical Nursing Certificate program, you must complete the program application for that major.

Can I transfer to a four-year school and earn a Bachelor's Degree?

Yes. Mount Wachusett Community College has articulation agreements for transfer of credits with a number of accredited colleges and universities. You may schedule an appointment with the transfer advisor, Nancy Greenlaw at (978) 630-9321

Can I apply for Financial Aid?

Yes. Inquire at the Financial Aid Office, (978) 630-9169. We encourage all applicants to apply for Financial Aid.

Additionally, what must I know?

- It is up to the applicant to read the Technical Standards. It is the applicants responsibility to discuss any accommodation that he/she may need by contacting the Counselor for Students with Disabilities at 978-630-9120.
- The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the application file is complete and that all items are received by the deadlines. Late submissions will be accepted, but the student's file will be evaluated only if space becomes available in the program.
- The applicant must read the statement on the inside cover of the nursing application packet regarding the CORI/SORI Policies. Nursing students are required to complete this form. A positive finding may prevent an applicant from successfully completing the nursing program and may prohibit them from taking the NCLEX-RN.

In compliance with the Clery Act (20 U.S.C. 1092(a) and (f)), all prospective students are entitled to review the MWCC Annual Security Report. This report may be accessed online at www.mwcc.mass.edu or by request through the Office of Admissions.

Mount Wachusett Community College seeks to provide equal educational and employment opportunities and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religious creed, age, physical or mental disability, sex, national origin or ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information or veteran status.



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Office use only:
Date Received _____

A.S. Nursing Program Admission Form

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Current Email Address: _____

MWCC Student ID Number: _____

Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial Previous Last Name

Mailing Address: _____
Street & Apt. # City State Country Postal/Zip Code

Telephone Numbers: Home () _____ Work () _____

Program to which you are applying: A.S. Nursing Degree Advanced Standing Applicant - A.S. Nursing Degree (Jan. Entrance Only)
 DAY NO PREFERENCE MWCC Readmit Transfer Student
 EVENING LPN Bridge to A.S. Nursing Degree

Gender (optional): Male Female

Ethnicity/Race: _____ (optional) Date of Birth (optional): ____/____/____

Citizenship (REQUIRED):

- I am a U.S. Citizen.
 - I am a Non-Citizen. Country of Birth _____ Country of Citizenship _____
- (check all that apply)
- Resident Alien (presentation of card required)
 - In the country with a (presentation of current visa required) visitor visa student visa other _____
 - I wish to obtain a student visa (must submit International Student Application with additional documentation)

Residency Information: (Required by all applicants)

- I have lived in Massachusetts continuously since, ____/____/____. If less than (6) months, previous state of residence _____.
- I am over the age of 60 and have lived in Massachusetts continuously for (1) year.
- I do not reside in Massachusetts, but have a natural parent who provides financial support and who is a legal Massachusetts resident. Therefore, I qualify for in-state residency. (Documentation is required and applies only to students 24 years of age or younger.)

Natural Parent/Legal Resident Information

Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Address: _____

I am not a resident of Massachusetts, I am a resident of _____.

Have you completed courses at MWCC? Yes No
If Yes, approximately how many credits have you completed at MWCC? _____

Have you ever applied to MWCC's nursing program? Yes No

Have you ever been accepted to our nursing program? Yes No

Will you be asking the Committee to review college transcripts from college(s) other than MWCC? Yes No
If Yes, from which college(s)? _____

Have either of your parents attended college? Yes No Don't Know

Is English your native language? Yes No
If No, did you attend school from K-12 or a baccalaureate in the U.S.? Yes No

ARE YOU A PRACTICAL NURSE? Yes No
 Completed a college course equal or greater than MAT 126 with a grade of 'C+' or greater at _____
 Met with College Placement Testing _____ college name

How have you met the science requirement?
 Completed a 4-credit college science course with a grade of C+ or greater at _____.
 I would like my high school coursework considered. My coursework meets the requirements for consideration as outlined on page 2.

I have read the Technical Standards and understand that it is my responsibility to discuss any accommodation that I may need with the appropriate College representative. Yes No

Are you a Licensed Practical Nurse? Yes No
If yes, have you completed ENG101, MAT 126, PSY105 and BIO203? Yes No
How have you met the math requirement greater than MAT126? Yes No

I certify that the all information stated on this application form is accurate and complete. Concealment of facts or false statements may result in dismissal.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____ Parent or Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18) _____ Date _____



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Employment Form

Office use only:
 Date Received _____

MWCC Student ID Number: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Name of Applicant: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial Previous Last Name

HEALTHCARE OR RELATED FIELD EXPERIENCE

List employment with the most recent positions first. Attach additional sheets if necessary. (Resumes are acceptable.)

DOES NOT APPLY

Employer	Job Description	Dates From/To	Supervisor Name & Phone No. (Required)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

I certify that the all information stated on this application form is accurate and complete.
 Concealment of facts or false statements may result in dismissal.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

2010 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

A.S. Nursing Degree (NU) (selective - day and evening)

Registered nurses (RNs) work to promote health, prevent disease, and help clients cope with illness. They are advocates and health educators for clients, families, and communities. MWCC Nursing graduates have historically achieved a high passing rate on the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) and have been successful in obtaining employment. The program is approved by the Massachusetts Board of Nursing and accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission: NLNAC; Peachtree Lane, Atlanta, GA; (800) 669-1656, ext. 153; www.nlnac.org.

Helpful hints: Because of an extensive classroom/clinical commitment, students are encouraged to complete the general education requirements prior to beginning nursing courses.

Transfer options: Joint Admissions agreements exist with Framingham State College, UMASS Lowell, and Worcester State College; and transfer agreements exist with Franklin University and Drexel University. Anna Maria College, Emmanuel College, Fitchburg State College, Regis, St. Joseph's (ME), and UMASS Amherst. Students should obtain information on the program into which they wish to transfer to ensure that their MWCC courses will be accepted as transfer credit.

Application deadlines: The priority application deadline is **Jan. 15, 2010**. This selective Enrollment program requires additional Application components, the process is competitive, and space is limited.

Special requirements: Applicants must meet all requirements for consideration before entering the program. Students must meet technical standards and additional requirements including immunizations, CPR certification, liability insurance, and a Criminal/Sexual Offender Records Information (CORI/SORI) check. Additional tuition applies for the evening Nursing program. (see college catalog for more info)

Career options: RNs in hospitals, sub acute units, extended care facilities, medical offices, rehabilitation centers, and home care.

Earning potential:
\$31,000 - \$64,000 per year.

Requirements for Consideration:

Applicants must have completed a math course equal to MAT126 or higher with a C+ or greater or placement of MAT128 or higher; and one 4-credit Lab Sciences with a grade of C+ or greater. High school science courses will be considered. Applicants must also demonstrate the ability to enter college-level coursework in English.

English competency may be demonstrated through college placement testing or college coursework. Students whose native language is not English and those who have not completed grades K - 12 in the U.S. must demonstrate English proficiency by having completed ENG101 with a grade of C+ or higher, or have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited US college or university, or score 213 on the computerized version or 550 on the paper version of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Courses in progress at time of application deadline will not be considered as meeting these requirements.

Semester I		
Number	Course Title	Cr.
BIO203*	Anatomy and Physiology I*	4
ENG101*	English Composition I*	3
NUR111	Foundations of Nursing	7
PSY105*	Introduction to Psychology*	3
Semester Credit Total:		17
Semester II		
BIO204*	Anatomy and Physiology II*	4
BIO205*	Microbiology*	4
NUR113	Nursing Care of Children and Family	4
NUR114	Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family	4
PSY110*	Human Growth and Development*	3
Semester Credit Total:		19
Semester III		
ENG102*	English Composition II*	3
NUR220	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part I	6
NUR230	Psychiatric Nursing	4
SOC103*	Introduction to Sociology*	3
Semester Credit Total:		16
Semester IV		
NUR204	Trends in Nursing	3
NUR222	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part II	10
PER126/130	Health, Fitness, and Wellness Elective**	2/3
	Humanities or Business Elective*	3
Semester Credit Total:		18/19
Total:		70/71

*These courses must be taken concurrently or prior to the nursing courses specified for that particular semester
**For students planning to transfer to a four-year institution, PER130 is recommended.

PLEASE NOTE: All BIO, MAT (prerequisite) and NUR courses require a grade of "C+" in order to be eligible for promotion to the next level. Also, BIO203, 204 and 205 credits must not be more than five years old. Applicants currently working in a health care field can petition to lengthen the time to ten years.

MAS102, Medical Transcription, counts as a business elective. See page 65 of the college catalog for elective courses by abbreviations.

2010 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

LPN Bridge to A.S. Nursing Degree (NU) (selective - day and evening)

MWCC offers current licensed LPNs a Bridge Program to complete requirements for the Associate Degree in Nursing. Credit is given for the first semester (NUR111) of the associate degree program allowing applicants to enter second semester nursing courses. Second semester nursing courses (NUR113/114) are available in the spring (day/evening if space allows) and in the summer (day only). Interested candidates must meet minimum requirements for consideration and apply by the deadline. The program is approved by the Massachusetts Board of Nursing and accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission: NLNAC; Peachtree Lane, Atlanta, GA; (800) 669-1656, ext. 153; www.nlnac.org.

Helpful hints: Because of an extensive classroom/clinical commitment, students are encouraged to complete general education requirements prior to beginning nursing courses.

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Application deadlines:

The application deadline for January admission is November 1. This selective enrollment program requires additional application components. The process is competitive, and space is limited. Candidates may enter the college as a General Studies- Pre Nursing student in order to complete required coursework. (see college catalog for more info)

Special requirements: Applicants must meet all requirements for consideration before entering the program. Students must meet technical standards and additional requirements including immunizations, CPR certification, liability insurance, and a Criminal/Sexual Offender Records Information (CORI/SORI) check. Additional tuition applies for the evening Nursing program. (see college catalog for more info)

Career options: RNs in hospitals, sub acute units, extended care facilities, medical offices, rehabilitation centers, and home care.

Earning potential:

\$31,000 -\$64,000 per year.

Requirements for consideration:

Applicants must be currently licensed LPNs and must meet all the same requirements as those of the A.S. Nursing Degree. In addition, applicants must have completed ENG101, PSY105 and BIO203. Those accepted students who have not completed PSY110, BIO204 and BIO205, will be required to complete these courses concurrently with NUR113/114. Courses in progress at time of application deadline will not be considered as meeting these requirements. Further details are outlined in the Program Application, which is available on our website or through the admissions office.

Semester I - Each semester 1 course must be completed prior to acceptance.

Number	Course Title	Cr.
BIO203*	Anatomy and Physiology I*	4
ENG101*	English Composition I*	3
NUR111	Foundations of Nursing (credit awarded)	7
PSY105*	Introduction to Psychology*	3
Semester Credit Total:		17

Semester II - LPN Bridge

BIO204**	Anatomy and Physiology II**	4
BIO205**	Microbiology**	4
NUR113	Nursing Care of Children and Family	4
NUR114	Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family	4
PSY110*	Human Growth and Development**	3
Semester Credit Total:		19

Semester III

ENG102**	English Composition II**	3
NUR220	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part I	6
NUR230	Psychiatric Nursing	4
SOC103**	Introduction to Sociology**	3
Semester Credit Total:		16

Semester IV

NUR204	Trends in Nursing	3
NUR222	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part II	10
PER126/130	Health, Fitness and Wellness Elective***	2/3
	Humanities or Business Elective**	3
Semester Credit Total:		18/19
Total:		70/71

* These courses must be completed prior to entrance into the LPN Bridge. Credit is given for NUR111.

**These courses must be taken concurrently or prior to the nursing courses specified for that particular semester.

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PLEASE NOTE: All BIO, MAT, and NUR courses require a grade of "C+" in order to be eligible for promotion to the next level. Also, BIO203, 204 and 205 credits should not be more than five years old.



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Outlined below are estimated expenses and classroom/clinical schedule requirements associated with the nursing program. **This estimate is based upon Fall 2009 Massachusetts resident tuition and fee day rates of \$165/credit.** Additional per semester fees have been added that include a registration fee, technology access fee, student activity (if applicable), and LEM/Laboratory, equipment and materials fee (if applicable). Additional tuition/fees apply to the evening nursing courses and to the summer LPN Bridge to A.S. Degree program. The fall 2009 rates for evening nursing and the summer LPN Bridge to A.S. Degree is \$254/credit. The fall 2009 rates for day Nursing is \$215/credit. These increased tuition/fees apply only to NUR courses.

Tuition and fees are subject to change and tuition/fee rates may vary based on course selection.

Semester I			
Number	Course Title	Cr.	Tuition/Fees
BIO203	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	660
ENG101	English Composition I	3	495
NUR111	Foundations of Nursing	7	1505
PSY105	Introduction to Psychology	3	495
	Per Semester Fees		75
	Approximate Tuition/Fee Cost:		\$3230
Semester II			
BIO204	Anatomy and Physiology II	4	660
BIO205	Microbiology	4	660
NUR113	Nursing Care of Children and Family	4	860
NUR114	Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family	4	860
PSY110	Human Growth and Development	3	495
	Per Semester Fees		75
	Approximate Tuition/Fee Cost:		\$3610
Semester III			
ENG102	English Composition II	3	495
NUR220	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part I	6	1290
NUR230	Psychiatric Nursing	4	860
SOC103	Introduction to Sociology	3	495
	Per Semester Fees		75
	Approximate Tuition/Fee Cost:		\$3215
Semester IV			
NUR204	Trends in Nursing	3	645
NUR222	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part II	10	2150
PER126/130	Health, Fitness, and Wellness Elective	2/3	320/480
	Humanities or Business Elective	3	495
	Per Semester Fees		75
	Approximate Tuition/Fee Cost:		\$3685/\$3845
	Approximate Total Tuition/Fee Cost:		\$13,740/\$13,900

Approximate classroom/clinical schedule for NUR courses only:

Year 1 - Day School
2 mornings per week (8 am-11:30 am)
1 clinical day per week (7 am-3:30 pm)

Year 1 - Evening School
2 evenings per week (5 pm-8:30 pm)
1 clinical evening per week (2:30 pm-11:00pm)

Year 2 - Day School
2 mornings per week (8 am-11:30 am)
2 clinical days per week (7 am-3:30 pm)

Year 2 - Evening School
2 evenings per week (5 pm-8:30 pm)
2 clinical evenings per week (2:30 pm-11:00pm)

College Health Insurance Plan **\$823/yr**
note: If you already have health insurance,
you will not need to purchase college insurance.

Miscellaneous Program Expenses: **\$2773**
Uniforms, Professional Equipment,
Liability Insurance, CPR, Textbooks
and Miscellaneous Materials

APPROXIMATE TOTAL PROGRAM COST **\$17,336/\$17,496**