

ADVANCED PLACEMENT LPN TO RN

THE COLLEGE

Mineral Area College offers an educationally-centered, college-controlled program in Associate Degree Nursing. The new Advanced Placement (LPN to RN) provides the opportunity for PN students and LPN's desiring to become an RN to further their education without repetition of many successfully completed courses and allows educational completion to occur in a timely manner. This option also has a financial advantage since credit will be awarded for previous successfully completed courses. Applicants must be a graduate of an approved program in Practical Nursing, have completed all required prerequisite courses, obtain a score at or above the National Average Percentile on the LPN-GAP (an upward mobility test developed to be administered to LPN's applying for advanced placement) and successfully complete all entrance requirements to be a candidate for acceptance into the ADN Program. There are two separate entrance requirements: (1) The MAC Practical Nursing graduate from 1991 to present and (2) The MAC Practical Nursing graduate prior to 1991 or Practical Nursing graduates of another school. MAC graduates from 1991 to present are candidates for entering the sophomore year of the ADN Program to complete the Associate Degree Nursing Program in two semesters (26 credit hours). MAC graduates prior to 1991 or graduates of another school are candidates to enter the Associate Degree Nursing Program in the summer semester and complete the ADN Program in three semesters (39 credit hours). Faculty has the option, based on the student's grades and clinical skills, to require the student to complete all of Medical-Surgical Nursing I and Medical-Surgical Nursing II. Graduates of the Associate Degree Nursing Program are prepared to perform nursing services as a beginning practitioner inclusive of assessing the health status of individuals with more complex health problems, develop, modify, and set goals for client care, delegate nursing responsibilities as team leaders, and evaluate and write revisions in the plan of care for clients with preventative health problems and commonly occurring actual or potential health problems in hospitals and other health care agencies.

Upon successful completion of the program, the student is eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). Satisfactory achievement on the examination will qualify graduates for licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN) (refer to Missouri Nursing Practice Act Chapter 335). Successful completion of the program does not guarantee eligibility to take the licensure examination.

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Commission on Institutions of Higher Education
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PROGRAM CURRICULUM

For LPN graduates of MAC since 1991

(Grade of "C" or above required on all prerequisites)

Elementary Algebra	3 cr. hrs.
Introductory Chemistry	5 cr. hrs.
English Composition II	3 cr. hrs.
General Psychology	3 cr. hrs.
Human Growth and Development	3 cr. hrs.
Human Anatomy	5 cr. hrs.
Human Physiology	<u>5 cr. hrs.</u>
	27 cr. hrs.

PN or LPN Graduates of MAC from 1991-1996

Fall Semester-Fourth

ADN 1490 Medical-Surgical Nursing (5 cr. hrs. articulate from PN Program)*	5 cr. hrs.
BIO 2700 Microbiology	4 cr. hrs.
ADN 1510 Clinical Pharmacology	<u>1 cr. hr.</u>
	10 cr. hrs.

Spring Semester-Fifth

ADN 1610 Nursing of Children	5 cr. hrs.
ADN 1500 Medical-Surgical Nursing II (2 hrs. articulate from PN Program)*	4 cr. hrs.
ADN 1480 Contemporary Nursing	1 cr. hr.
POS 1180 American Political Systems	3 cr. hrs.
SOC 1130 General Sociology	<u>3 cr. hrs.</u>
	16 cr. hrs.

*Based on grades & clinical skills – See Policy

LPN Graduates of MAC Prior to 1991 or from

another school

Elementary Algebra	3 cr. hrs.
Introductory Chemistry	5 cr. hrs.
English Composition I	3 cr. hrs.
General Psychology	3 cr. hrs.
Human Growth and Development	3 cr. hrs.
Human Anatomy	5 cr. hrs.
Human Physiology	<u>5 cr. hrs.</u>
	27 cr. hrs.

Summer Semester – Third

Eng1340 English Composition II	3 cr. hrs.
ADN 1420 Bridge Course	<u>3 cr. hrs.</u>
	6 cr. hrs.

Fall Semester – Fourth

ADN 1490 Medical-Surgical Nursing I	10 cr. hrs.
BIO 2700 Microbiology	4 cr. hrs.
ADN 1510 Clinical Pharmacology	<u>1 cr. hr.</u>
	15 cr. hrs.

Spring Semester-Fifth

ADN 1610 Nursing of Children	5 cr. hrs.
ADN 1500 Medical-Surgical Nursing II	6 cr. hrs.
ADN 1480 Contemporary Nursing	1 cr. hrs.
POS 1180 American Political Systems	3 cr. hrs.
SOC 1130 General Sociology	<u>3 cr. hrs.</u>
	18 cr. hrs.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Associate Degree Nursing Program has approval of the State Department of Education and is fully approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

1. Be a graduate of an approved high school or the equivalent as determined by appropriate accrediting agencies.
2. Provide proof of graduation from a state approved program of Practical Nursing.
3. If requested, provide copies of final record, performance evaluations, and course outlines from program in Practical Nursing from which the student graduated.
4. Provide references from PN Program director, one instructor, employer, and personal references.
5. **Entrance Requirements** Must be completed by the end of the Spring Semester with a grade of “C” or above:
 - a. Elementary Algebra (3 cr. hr.)
 - b. Introductory Chemistry (5 cr. hr.)
 - c. English Composition II (3 cr. hr.)
 - d. General Psychology (3 cr. hr.)
 - e. Human Growth and Development (3 cr. hr.)
 - f. Human Anatomy (5 cr. hr.)
 - g. Human Physiology (5 cr. hr.)

27 cr. hr.

Equivalent high school courses in Chemistry and Algebra I and II may be substituted if completed in the past 5 years with a “C” or above.

6. **American College Test (ACT) or COMPASS Test**

- a. ACT- Applicants must have taken the ACT or be scheduled to take the test on or before the December test date, and have the following minimum scores:
 1. English – 20
 2. Math- 19 and a grade of C or above in Elementary Algebra
 3. Composite- 20
- b. COMPASS – Applicants must have taken the COMPASS test and have the following minimum scores:
 1. Writing – 81
 2. Algebra – 36

The deadline for taking the COMPASS test is December 15th and can be scheduled in the Student Services Office or by calling (573)518-2202.

7. Have a **Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5** or above.
8. **LPN-GAP:** A score at or above the National Average Percentile is required to be considered for placement in the ADN Program. MAC revised PN curriculum for 1997 graduates forward, exempt from GAP requirements.
9. A high school computer course with approved course substitutions for a college computer course.
10. Acceptance will be based on space availability and selection by the Associated Degree Selection Committee.
11. Faculty has the option, based on the student’s grades and clinical skills, to require the student to complete all of Medical-Surgical Nursing I (10 cr. hrs.) and Medical-Surgical Nursing II (6 cr. hrs.)
 - a. Students articulating from the PN Nursing Program must have a grade of “B” or above in the Practical Nursing Program Medical Surgical Nursing (NUR-138) course or attend the entire theory component of Medical-Surgical Nursing I (10 cr. hrs.) and Medical-Surgical Nursing II (6 cr. hrs.) at the regular advanced placement adjusted fee rate. Advanced placement students must take all exams in Medical-Surgical Nursing I and Medical-Surgical Nursing II.
 - b. The nursing faculty, utilizing their professional judgment, will determine if the student’s clinical skills meet the requirements for the Advanced Placement option. Students not meeting the clinical skills requirements must complete all of Medical-Surgical Nursing I and Medical-Surgical Nursing II (16 credit hours) at the regular fee rate.
12. Applications will be accepted from **Feb. 1st until Dec. 15th of each school year**. Application deadline may be extended. Please submit applications early so reference letters can be returned before selection.
13. The following credentials must be on file in the Allied Health Department prior to Selection. It is the student’s responsibility to assure these documents are on file. There is a \$20 application fee.
 - a. Application form.
 - b. High school transcript or GED scores.
 - c. ACT (American College Test) or ACT COMPASS scores.
 - d. College/University and Vocational school transcripts.
 - e. List complete names and addresses for references on application. A college form letter will be sent to those listed.
 - f. Handwritten autobiography (3 to 5 pages)
14. All applicants accepted into the program are considered on conditional status pending completion of the physical examinations by a qualified physician, stating they are free of emotional, physical, infectious and/or contagious disease, passing the drug screen, passing the background check, and successfully completing all prerequisite courses.
15. No classes may be added after the first three days of Fall and Spring classes without the permission of the Dean.
16. Graduates of the Mineral Area College Program in Practical Nursing are required to pass the NCLEX-PN to continue as an Advanced Placement student. If the student is not successful in passing the NCLEX-PN, the student is required to complete all components of Medical-Surgical Nursing I (10 cr. hrs.) and Medical-Surgical Nursing II (6 cr. hrs.).
17. A personal interview may be requested.

HOUSING

College Park at Mineral Area College offers on-campus housing. Please contact (573) 518-1330 for information.

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIP

Financial aid and scholarship information is available through the Financial Aid Office.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

The application forms may be obtained from Feb. 1st thru Dec. 15th by contacting:

Mineral Area College
Allied Health Department
P.O. Box 1000
Park Hills, MO 63601
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