

## Riverland Community College Nursing Program

### LPN to RN Track

**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING 4 COURSES, WITH A GRADE OF "C" OR HIGHER, BEFORE APPLYING TO THE NURSING PROGRAM.**

*All prerequisite courses must have a combined GPA of 2.75, or higher, to apply to the program.*

\*ENGL 1101 Composition I (3 credits)

\*CHEM 1121 General, Organic & Biochemistry (3 credits)

\*BIOL 2021 Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credits) -- (CHEM 1121 must be completed before taking this course)

\*BIOL 2022 Anatomy and Physiology II (4 credits) -- (BIOL 2021 must be completed before taking this course)

\*Must hold an unencumbered Practical Nursing license throughout program. \*Must be CPR certified before beginning the program.

<b>Semester 1: Nursing Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NURS 1200 Nursing Orientation- 16 hours</li> <li>• Advanced Standing for PN Education (awarded 6.5 nursing credits)</li> <li>• NURS 1430 Nursing Transition Course</li> <li>• BIOL 2040 Microbiology</li> </ul>	<b>Credits</b> 0  3.5N 4	<b>Semester 2: Nursing Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NURS 1440 &amp; NURS144C Med Surg I (3 cr lecture; 2 cr clinical)</li> <li>• NURS 1460 Health Assessment</li> <li>• BIOL 2050 Pathophysiology</li> <li>• SPCH 1200 Interpersonal Communication or SPCH 1310 Intercultural Communication</li> </ul>	<b>Credits</b> 5N 1N 3 3
<b>Semester 3: Nursing Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NURS 2400 &amp; NURS240C Med Surg II (3 cr lecture; 2.5 cr clinical)</li> <li>• NURS 2410 Family Nursing</li> <li>• BIOL 1070 Human Nutrition</li> <li>• PSYC 1240 Developmental Psychology</li> </ul>	<b>Credits</b> 5.5N 3N 3 3	<b>Semester 4: Nursing Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NURS 2420 &amp; NURS242C Acute Care/Leadership (3 cr lecture; 2.5 cr clinical)</li> <li>• NURS Elective: Choose one elective course                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ NURS 2430 Preceptorship</li> <li>○ NURS 2440 Transcultural Nursing - Travel abroad experience</li> <li>○ NURS 2450 Complementary Therapies</li> </ul> </li> <li>• PHIL 1130 Ethics or PHIL 1140 Healthcare Ethics</li> </ul>	<b>Credits</b> 5.5N  1N  3

- **General Education Courses listed in black font in semesters 1-4 can be taken earlier, but no later than the identified semester.**
- **RN program application:** Complete the nursing program application. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C," or higher, and have a combined minimum GPA of 2.75, or higher. Complete the HSRT Exam (Health Science Reasoning Test) with a cut score of 75% or above. *HSRT online version is not accepted.* Submit a copy of the HSRT score report and proof of an unencumbered Practical Nursing licensure with application.
- **RN program admission** is based strictly on total points. To calculate, add your HSRT Test Score, divided by 10, to the prerequisite course GPA (GPA must be 2.75 or higher). *Point Sample:* HSRT Test Score of 77% divided by 10 = 7.70 + 3.75 GPA = 11.45 total points earned. **Review prerequisite course GPA via the Academic Records tab in your E-Services account. View the Pre-Nursing/Liberal Arts AS Degree Audit Report.**
- **Admitted students** are required to register for, attend, and pass NURS1200 to begin the nursing program. This 16-hour orientation takes place in August for the Fall semester start and December for the Spring semester start. Admitted students must successfully complete all courses in the indicated semester to progress to the next semester.
- Clinical requirements will require a background check, CPR certification, health insurance, immunizations (includes being current on COVID-19 vaccines and an annual flu shot).