

## 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 ATI TEAS Test (in-person) within 3 years of the application period, with a cut score of 58.7%, or above. *ATI TEAS by ATI Testing online version is no longer accepted.* Submit a copy of the TEAS score report and proof of an unencumbered Practical Nursing licensure with application. **Important Notice: Beginning with Fall 2025 nursing program cohorts, Riverland will be requiring the HSRT test (in-person only, online test will not be accepted) and moving away from use of the TEAS test. More information will follow.**
- **RN program admission** is based strictly on total points. To calculate, add your ATI TEAS Test Score, divided by 10, to the prerequisite course GPA (GPA must be 2.75 or higher). *Point Sample:* TEAS Test Score of 82.5% divided by 10 = 8.25 + 3.75 GPA = 12 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 1-2 weeks prior to semester start. 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).