



## **ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING—LPN TO RN BRIDGE (ASNB)**

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*(Offered in the State of Ohio Only)*

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The LPN to RN completion program is open to licensed practical nurses (LPNs) who have completed a practical nursing program approved by a state board of nursing. The program supports practical nurses desiring to advance their educational pursuits and increase career opportunities. The program prepares students to practice as an entry-level registered nurse in a variety of healthcare settings. Graduates are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination and apply for licensure as a registered nurse in the states where offered.

### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

Upon completion of their program, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate professional nursing behaviors and ongoing professional development related to legal, ethical, and scope of practice issues as defined by the state regulatory board.
2. Utilize the nursing process to provide quality nursing care addressing self-care deficits for a diverse population of clients in a variety of health care settings.
3. Demonstrate critical thinking in the utilization of current nursing evidence to plan and implement care for a diverse population of clients across the health continuum.
4. Develop, implement, and evaluate individualized teaching plans designed to address wellness, illness, and self-care deficits for diverse clients or groups.
5. Communicate accurately, effectively and in a timely manner with clients, significant others and members of the healthcare team.
6. Utilize and have a working knowledge of nursing and medical-related technological equipment.
7. Collaborate with the health care team to provide optimum care to individuals, families, and groups within a diverse community.
8. Provide continuity of care across various health care systems by managing care for a diverse group of clients through effective use of delegation, technology, and resources.
9. Practice effective management and leadership strategies as they relate to client advocacy and change agent behaviors.
10. Think critically, both conceptually and by using mathematical analysis; write and speak effectively; use basic computer applications; and understand human behavior in the context of the greater society.

### **SPECIAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

This nursing program is a selective admissions program which means not everyone who applies is accepted. The selection is based on multiple factors including high school or college grade point average and the score on the applicable nursing admissions test (normally the national Test of Essential Academic Skills—TEAS). The best-qualified applicants are offered admission into the program.

### **GENERAL EDUCATION PREREQUISITES**

The following general education prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of C+ (76%) or better for a student to be continued in the nursing program.

- ◆ Anatomy and Physiology With Lab (or Body Structure and Function With Lab)
- ◆ Microbiology
- ◆ College Math

All other general education courses must be passed with a grade of D (60%) or better to be continued in the nursing program.

A student who is dropped from the nursing program for failing to achieve the minimum grade specified in the general education courses but who otherwise meets the academic standards of the University may transfer to another Herzing degree program and, or may reapply to the nursing program in a future cycle.

### **POTENTIAL JOB POSITION TITLES**

Graduates are prepared for entry-level positions as a Registered Nurse.

## PROGRAM LENGTH

The average length of time for a student taking a full course load is 5 semesters (20 months).

## PROGRAM CONTENT

In the State of Ohio, a minimum of 72 semester credit hours is required for graduation.

In all other states, a minimum of 75 semester credit hours is required for graduation.

## TRANSFER CREDITS FOR LPN DIPLOMA

Students who have completed a Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program approved by the state board of nursing in the state in which the program was completed and who hold a current LPN license from any state will be awarded 15 semester credit hours toward this degree.

## REQUIRED COURSES IN NURSING

All courses, 24 semester credit hours, are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Clock Hours	Credit Hours
NS 170	LPN Transition to RN Practice With Lab	SC 165, SC 165L, SC 245 and SC 245L	120	6.0
NS 200	Pharmacology II	NS 120 or NS 170	15	1.0
NS 210	Medical Surgical Nursing III With Clinical	NS 160 or NS 170	75	3.0
NS 220	Medical Surgical Nursing IV With Clinical	NS 210	75	3.0
NS 230	Mental Health Nursing With Clinical	NS 110 and PS 101	75	3.0
NS 240	Obstetric Nursing With Clinical	NS 160 and NS 170	75	3.0
NS 250	Pediatric Nursing With Clinical	NS 160 and NS 170	75	3.0
NS 260	Nursing Leadership	NS 220	30	2.0

## REQUIRED NURSING PRACTICUM

Students in Ohio must complete 2 semester credit hours (90 clock hours) of nursing practicum. Students in all other states must complete 5 semester (225 clock hours) credit hours of nursing practicum.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Clock Hours	Credit Hours
NS 270	Clinical Practicum—Option A OR	Completion of all core nursing courses	225	5.0
NS 271	Clinical Practicum—Option B (Ohio only)	Completion of all core nursing courses	90	2.0

## REQUIRED COURSES IN GENERAL EDUCATION

Students enrolled in this associate degree must complete a minimum of 29 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for Herzing University courses that would satisfy these requirements.

- 8 Semester Credit Hours in Anatomy & Physiology
- 3 Semester Credit Hours Microbiology
- 1 Semester Credit Hour in Information Literacy
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in English Composition
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in Speech
- 4 Semester Credit Hours in Computer Applications
- 4 Semester Credit Hours in Mathematics (College Algebra or Above)
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in Social or Behavioral Science

## PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

A minimum of 2 semester credit hours is required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Clock Hours	Credit Hours
PD 100	Student Success Skills	None	15	1.0
PD 120	Personal Financial Management	None	15	1.0

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Clock Hours	Credit Hours
PD 155	Customer Services	None	15	1.0
PD 200	Career Development Seminar	None	15	1.0

Distribution of Contact Hours by Course					
Course #	Lecture	Lab	Clinical	Total Hours	Credits
NS 170	60	60	0	120	6.0
NS 200	15	0	0	15	1.0
NS 210	30	0	45	75	3.0
NS 220	30	0	45	75	3.0
NS 230	30	0	45	75	3.0
NS 240	30	0	45	75	3.0
NS 250	30	0	45	75	3.0
NS 260	30	0	0	30	2.0
NS 270	0	0	225	225	5.0
NS 271	0	0	90	90	2.0