NURSING, A.A.S.

The **Associate of Applied Science in Nursing** prepares students for professional nursing practice while providing a knowledge base for career mobility and further academic study. Completion of the program of study provides eligibility to apply for licensure as a registered nurse. **Program options**: LPN to RN Pathway and Primary Pre-licensure Pathway.

Capstone Course

This course includes 45 hours of preceptorship and a review for the NCLEX. Attendance at review is mandatory.

NCLEX Application

As you prepare for your last semester, it is important that you begin the application process for authorization to sit for NCLEX, by the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses (WVBERPN). Fingerprinting and background check should be completed at the beginning of the 4th semester.

Students should average 15 credit hours per semester, or 30 per year, to graduate on time.

Total Degree Credits: 66

Preparation for Admission

- High School graduate or equivalent (USA GED)
- Meet requirements for general admission to college and be admitted to college
- Meet technical standards for admission with or without reasonable accommodations
- No history of felony convictions

Admission to Program

- Submit completed Nursing and Health Sciences application.
- Provide official copy of HS and prior college transcripts
- 2.0 GPA from HS and/or college.
- Complete HESI admission exam with a composite score of 75 or higher.
- For LPN Option: an active unencumbered LPN License.
- Interview at the discretion of the division.

Completion of the application process does not imply the applicant will be admitted to the Nursing program. Due to space limitations, qualified applicants are ranked according to GPA and submission of application.

Acceptance to Program

- Return contract and pay acceptance fee
- Comply with Clinical Practice Requirements:
    - Background Check
    - Physical Exam
    - Immunizations
    - CPR

NCLEX Preparation

All Courses

- Practice Questions and Adaptive Quizzing
- HESI Final Exam

4th Semester

- Complete fingerprinting and Federal and State background checks at the beginning of 4th semester
- Complete application to the Board of Nursing
- Submit final transcript to Board of Nursing
- Attend NCLEX live review
- Schedule date for NCLEX

Graduation Requirements

- Completion of 66 credit hours as outlined in the program of study.
- Maintain minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA.
- A grade of "C" or better in each course in the program of study.
- Attendance at NCLEX live review.

Admission to and graduation from the nursing program does not guarantee a Board of Nursing will endorse this graduate as a candidate to sit for the NCLEX-RN. Testing may be denied to any applicant proven guilty of certain infractions such as, but not limited to, fraud, felony, or moral misconduct.

Course	Title	Hours
Semester 1		
NURS 132	DRUG & DOSAGE CALCULATION 1	1
NURS 133	HEALTH ASSESS & DIAGNOSTICS 1	2
NURS 134	INTRO TO NURSING CONCEPTS	8
BIOL 107	~ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 1	4
COLL 101	ORIENTATION TO COLLEGE [1]	0
Quantitative Reasoning (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#qr) Elective		3
	Hours	**18**
Semester 2		
Writing and Rhetoric (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#wr) Elective		3
NURS 142	DRUG & DOSAGE CALCULATIONS 2	1
NURS 143	HEALTH ASSESS & DIAGNOSTICS 2	1
NURS 144	NURS CNCPT HLTH & ILLNESS 1	9
BIOL 108	~ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 2	4
	Hours	**18**
Semester 3		
NURS 234	NURS CNCPT HLTH & ILLNESS 2	9
BIOL 200	MICROBIOLOGY	3
Select one of the following:		3
Aesthetics, Creativity, and Appreciation (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#aca)		
Human Communication and Interaction (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#hci)		
People and Their Worlds (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#ptw) Elective (PSYC 101 or PSYC 241 is preferred)		3
	Hours	**18**
Semester 4		
NURS 244	SYNTHESIS OF NURSING CONCEPTS	9
NURS 245	PROF NURS & HLTH SYS CONCEPTS [2]	3
	Hours	**12**
	Total Hours	**66**

[1] Required 1-credit hour course, but is not counted in the degree total.
[2] Capstone course

Degree requires a total of 66 credit hours. [Core Course Credit Hours : 16]

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
COLL 101	ORIENTATION TO COLLEGE [1]	0
Writing and Rhetoric (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#wr)		3
Quantitative Reasoning (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#qr)		3
Scientific Inquiry (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#si)		4
BIOL 107 & 107L	~ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 1 and ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 1 LAB	
Select one of the following:		3
Aesthetics, Creativity, and Appreciation (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#aca)		
Human Communication and Interaction (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#hci)		
People and Their Worlds (https://wvup-public.courseleaf.com/programs-study/general-education-mission/#ptw) [2]		3
Program Courses		
NURS 132	DRUG & DOSAGE CALCULATION 1	1

NURS 133	HEALTH ASSESS & DIAGNOSTICS 1	2
NURS 134	INTRO TO NURSING CONCEPTS	8
NURS 142	DRUG & DOSAGE CALCULATIONS 2	1
NURS 143	HEALTH ASSESS & DIAGNOSTICS 2	1
NURS 144	NURS CNCPT HLTH & ILLNESS 1	9
NURS 234	NURS CNCPT HLTH & ILLNESS 2	9
NURS 244	SYNTHESIS OF NURSING CONCEPTS	9
NURS 245	PROF NURS & HLTH SYS CONCEPTS	3
BIOL 108 & 108L	~ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 2 and ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 2 LAB	4
BIOL 200	MICROBIOLOGY	3
Total Hours		**66**

[1] Institutional Graduation Requirement, but is not counted in the degree total.

[2] PSYC 101 ~INTRO TO PSYCHOLOGY or PSYC 241 ~INTRO TO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT is a required elective and satisfies the "People and Their World" Category