

LPN Program

*Division of Nursing— Curriculum Code: 3312
Will Earn Upon Program Completion: Certificate of Practical Nursing Education*

Why major in Nurse Paralegal?

There is a growing demand for LPNs to provide care to individuals in a variety of health care settings. The LPN works in close collaboration with the RN and other members of the health care team. A state-of-the-art, well equipped nursing simulation laboratory is available on campus to facilitate students learning. In addition, a multi-media computer laboratory is available for the student for entry-level positions in long term care facilities, assisted living sites, and hospitals. Upon completion of the program, the student receives a certificate and is eligible for the NCLEX-PN exam to qualify for LPN Licensure.

Is there educational mobility after completing the LPN program?

Essex County College Department of Nursing subscribes to the State Articulation model or education mobility of nurses. LPN students can enter the RN program upon meeting the admission requirements of the LPN Articulation Option.

Are there any requirements I must satisfy before I start taking courses in the LPN program?

Apply to college as an LPN student (curriculum code:3312). The minimum standards for admission are:

- ◆ Placement at College level performance in English, Reading and Mathematics or completion of ENG 096, MTH 092, RDG 096;
- ◆ High school diploma or GED;
- ◆ You must achieve a satisfactory score on the admission exam: (NLN PAX PN).
- ◆ The deadline for application is June 30.

Admission to the program is competitive. Qualified applicants are admitted on a space available basis. Admission to the LPN nursing program is based on: A minimum score of 50% on NLN PN PAX Reading, Math and Science.

How long will it take for me to complete this degree?

The LPN program is offered over a 12 month period.

Where should I direct specific questions about this program?

Call the Nursing and Allied Health Division at (973) 877- 1868/1865.

Upon completion of this program, graduates will be able to:

- ◆ Assess clients utilizing Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs and Erikson's developmental theory as a framework to contribute to the data base;
- ◆ Use critical thinking skills to contribute to the plan of care team using the nursing process and clinical decision making skills;
- ◆ Implement caring interventions in a safe and competent manner to assist clients to achieve short and long-term health-related goals; and necessary to achieve a peaceful death taking into account cultural diversity and advocacy needs;
- ◆ Collect and communicate data to evaluate the effectiveness of nursing care based upon established outcome criteria;
- ◆ Employ appropriate communication skills with clients, peers, and members of the health care team in the health care setting;
- ◆ Implement teaching plans to promote health in clients and their families;
- ◆ Practice nursing within an ethical framework and the legal scope of practice of the practical nurse; and
- ◆ Demonstrate a commitment to one's own professional and personal growth.

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<p>GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: (14 credits)</p> <p>Communications (3 credits) ENG 101 College Composition I 3</p> <p>Social Sciences (3 credits) PSY 101 General Psychology I 3</p> <p>Lab Science (8 credits) (taken within 5 years of admission to program) BIO 121 Anatomy & Physiology I 4 BIO 122 Anatomy & Physiology II 4</p> <p>MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS (35 credits)</p> <p>LPN 101 Fundamental of Practical Nursing 8 LPN 102 Adult Health I 8 LPN 103 Adult Health II / Mental Health 9 LPN 104 Maternal-Child Health / Pediatric Health 8 LPN 105 Role Transition / Review 2</p> <p>Total Credits required for Certificate 49</p> <p>The minimum passing grade for all courses is “C”</p> <p>Note: Consult the program hand book for specific information on Licensure requirements.</p> <p>Note: Students enrolled in the Nursing Program will be required to submit to criminal background checks, health clearance, and CPR certification in connection with their clinical placement at certain health care organizations. All expenses for health clearance, criminal background checks, and CPR certification are the responsibility of the student.</p>	<p>RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSES:*</p> <p>First Semester</p> <p>ENG 101 College Composition I 3 BIO 121 Anatomy & Physiology I 4 LPN 101 Fundamental of Practical Nursing 8</p> <p>Second Semester</p> <p>BIO 122 Anatomy & Physiology II 4 LPN 102 Adult Health I 8 PSY 101 General Psychology I 3</p> <p>Third Semester</p> <p>LPN 103 Adult Health II / Mental Health 9</p> <p>Fourth Semester</p> <p>LPN 104 Maternal-Child Health / Pediatric Health 8 LPN 105 Role Transition / Review 2</p> <p>Note: This LPN Program is accredited by the New Jersey Board Of Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, New Jersey, 07102. Telephone: 973-504-6430 Web Address: www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/medical/nursing.htm</p>
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*NOTE: This plan assumes the completion of all required developmental courses in reading, writing, and mathematics as well as other pre- and co-requisites for some of the courses, as listed in the Course Descriptions section.