



WALLACE
COMMUNITY
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LPN-to-RN Mobility Program

(Associate Degree Nursing)

Information Packet

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Associate Degree Nursing Program
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The Associate Degree Nursing program at
Wallace Community College is approved by the
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The Associate Degree Nursing program at
Wallace Community College is accredited by the
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Visit Us On the Web:

<http://www.wallace.edu/deptpages/health/adn/>

Note: Daytime entry for LPNs needing NUR200 or evening entry into the evening 3-semester mobility curriculum (entry into NUR201) will be available in Spring Semester 2012.

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BASIC INFORMATION

How do I get started?

Apply to Wallace Community College (WCC). Acceptance to WCC is the first step for application to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program. You must complete a WCC application and be UNCONDITIONALLY ACCEPTED to WCC prior to applying to the ADN program. Applications to WCC may be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records at any of the campuses listed on the application. If you are uncertain of your WCC application status or need a WCC application, please contact the Office of Admissions and Records at (334) 983-3521 or (800) 543-2426.

Applications to WCC may also be obtained on our Web site at <http://www.wallace.edu/enrollment/admissions/>. Applications from the Web site must be printed and submitted to WCC. *Please be aware that new regulations require photo identification. If submitted via mail, an original notarized copy of a driver's license must accompany the college application. For other forms of acceptable identification, please contact the Office of Admission and Records.*

What are the admissions requirements for the LPN-to-RN Mobility program?

1. Student must obtain **unconditional admission** to WCC. (The application to WCC is separate from the application to the ADN program.)
2. Student must submit a **completed application packet** for the LPN-to-RN Mobility program by the published deadline.
3. Student must be in **good standing with WCC** (as defined by the college catalog).
4. Student must have a **valid, unencumbered Alabama LPN license**.
5. Student must have documentation of employment as an LPN for a minimum of 500 clock hours within twelve (12) months prior to application to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program.
6. Student must have a minimum **GPA of 2.500**.
7. Student must have **taken the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills, Version V (TEAS-V[®])** within the last three years.
8. Student must have **completed** the following courses with a "C" or higher prior to applying to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program:
 - **MTH100** Intermediate College Algebra (or a higher level math, i.e. Pre-calculus, Calculus, Finite Mathematics, etc.)
 - **ENG101** English Composition I
 - **BIO201** Human Anatomy and Physiology I
 - **BIO202** Human Anatomy and Physiology II
9. Student must be able to **meet the essential functions** or technical standards required for nursing.

How do I know what classes to take for the LPN-to-RN Mobility program?

Upon admission to WCC, you will be assigned an advisor. You can meet with your advisor by making an appointment. During your advising meeting, your advisor will review your status and discuss your options with you. Advisors are also available during each open registration period and can help you in making your course selections. **A curriculum guide is included in this packet to further assist you.** Students in pre-nursing may take any course that does not begin with an "NUR" prefix, prior to applying to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program.

When do I apply to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program?

When you have met the admission requirements, you are ready to apply to the ADN program. Some students opt to complete the majority of the curriculum-required general education courses prior to applying; however, this is not required.

How do I apply to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program?

To apply to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program, you will need to complete an application packet and submit it, along with any required documentation, to the ADN program office on the Wallace Campus in Dothan. This can be done in person or via the U.S. mail. Additionally, students may submit applications to the Sparks Campus. Exact locations will be listed on the application packet.

It is important to note that the LPN-to-RN Mobility application packet must be complete at the time it is submitted. Incomplete applications will not be processed for possible admission to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program. A checklist will be provided for your convenience.

Applications for Spring Semester 2012 can be picked up in person or printed from the WCC Web site at <http://www.wallace.edu/deptpages/health/adn/> after August 1, 2011. Additionally, students that do not have access to the internet may contact the ADN Program Office at (334) 556-2262 to request an application by mail.

What is TEAS-V and how do I get registered to take the test?

Students admitted to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program for Spring Semester 2012 will operate in accordance with new criteria mandated by the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education for nursing admission. Students will be required to take an academic entrance test, the **ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills, version five (TEAS-V[®])**. TEAS-V[®] measures basic skills in **reading, mathematics, science, English and language usage**. The TEAS V[®] will replace the COMPASS™ reading score as one of the components for calculation of admission points. **TEAS-V[®] scores are only good for three (3) years**. A student may repeat the TEAS-V[®], but must wait six weeks between taking each test. No cut off score has been established for the TEAS-V[®] test, but ranking points will be based on the actual test score one receives. **A copy of the TEAS-V[®] score report form must be included as part of your nursing application.**

Registration and payment for the TEAS-V[®] must be completed on-line through the vendor site—this cannot be handled through Testing Services on either campus location and payments cannot be received through the College Business Office. Applicants must create an on-line account at <http://www.atitesting.com> to schedule a date for testing.

Please note: Students that have taken the TEAS-V[®] at any location other than the WCC Dothan campus or Sparks campus will be required to have official scores transferred to WCC. ATI assesses a \$20.00 fee to transfer these scores.

How are applicants selected for admission to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program?

Applicants to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program are ranked using a state-standardized points system. There are 251 possible points. Points are assigned using the following criteria:

TEAS-V [®] Score	150 possible points
A & P I	30 possible points (“A” = 30, “B” = 20, “C” = 10)
A & P II	30 possible points (“A” = 30, “B” = 20, “C” = 10)
Microbiology	30 possible points (“A” = 30, “B” = 20, “C” = 10)
GPA 3.2 or higher on last 24 hours attempted	11 possible points

What will I need in order to complete my LPN-to-RN Mobility application packet?

1. **A complete LPN-to-RN Mobility application.** Please make sure that all forms are signed.
2. **A copy of your Admission Agreement form from the Office of Admissions and Records.** Even if you are currently enrolled in courses at WCC, a copy of this agreement must be included in your ADN application packet. *Students who have previously applied to or been enrolled at WCC must re-apply to the College if more than a semester has passed without active enrollment in courses.* Note: The WCC Office of Admissions and Records requires a minimum 72-hour processing time for document requests.
3. **Transcripts from each college you have attended.** (Unofficial copies are acceptable.) Although official transcripts are in the Office of Admissions and Records, *a copy must be included in your ADN application packet.* Transfer courses listed on another college's transcript are not acceptable in lieu of a transcript from the actual college where credit was received. All transcripts submitted for ADN application purposes must accompany the ADN application packet.
4. **A copy of your TEAS-V[®] score report.** (Scores must be no older than 3 years from the ADN application deadline. Applicants may repeat the exam once during the application period and must wait at least six weeks between test dates.)
5. **Documentation of completion of English Composition I, Intermediate College Algebra (or a higher level math), Anatomy & Physiology I, and Anatomy & Physiology II.** Documentation should be in the form of transcripts.
6. **A copy of your unencumbered Alabama LPN license.**

Note: Students that have not completed Microbiology may submit a copy of their high school transcript with the LPN-to-RN Mobility application packet for possible ranking points. High school Chemistry will be considered for additional points in lieu of college level Microbiology.

Keep copies of all LPN-to-RN Mobility application material that is submitted. Once submitted, copies of materials will not be made or transferred for re-application to the ADN program or for application to any other program.

How will the GPA be calculated?

For admission purposes, nursing programs will calculate a GPA based on the applicant's last 24 hours of college credit. Hours will be counted in reverse chronological order. If 24 credit hours are reached in the middle of a term, grades/hours in the odd term will be chosen in such a way as to benefit the student.

If a student is at the graduate level and has received less than 24 credits at that level, the most recent 24 hours of undergraduate credits will be used in the GPA calculation – graduate credit hours will be ignored.

Neither a GED nor high school credits will be used in calculating a GPA except as required in the Early College Enrollment Program.

What happens after I submit my LPN-to-RN Mobility application packet?

LPN-to-RN Mobility applications will not be reviewed until after the application deadline. All applications are reviewed for completion and ranked by the ADN Admissions Committee. All students that apply to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program will receive notification of their acceptance status via the U.S. mail. Please allow a minimum of six (6) weeks from the application deadline for applications to be processed. *No information regarding the status of an application will be given over the telephone.*

Admission to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program is competitive and the number of students is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available. *Meeting minimal requirements does not guarantee acceptance.*

Will a background screen be required?

Applicants accepted to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program will be required to complete a background screen. Students should be aware that a fee will be charged to complete this requirement. Criminal findings may prohibit enrollment into the LPN-to-RN Mobility program. Nothing should be completed prior to notification from the ADN program.

Will a physical examination and drug screening be required?

Applicants accepted to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program will receive a listing of health requirements, to include information about a physical examination and drug screening. Information regarding health requirements and drug screening will be provided at new-student orientation for ADN students. Nothing should be done prior to notification from the ADN program.

Will CPR be required?

Applicants accepted to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program must provide proof of current CPR, at the health care provider level. CPR must be updated annually. Information regarding requirements for CPR will be provided at new-student orientation for ADN students.

ESTIMATED PROGRAM COSTS

TUITION	TOTAL
57 Credit Hours <i>(based on in-state tuition and does not include any remedial courses)</i>	\$6,099.00
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FEES	TOTAL
Course-related fees	\$1,083.00
Graduation-related costs	\$58.50
Physical Exam, Lab, Immunizations	\$490.00
Student Liability Insurance and SAS Randoms (three terms)	\$105.00
Substance Abuse Screening (initial and each fall)	\$64.00
Criminal Background Check	\$45.00
Comprehensive Assessment Exams	\$320.00
Licensure-related costs	\$350.00
	Fees SUBTOTAL \$2,515.50
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TOOLS AND SUPPLIES	TOTAL
Estimated Cost of Tools and Supplies (Uniforms, lab coat, shoes, patches, ID, etc.)	\$359.85
Lab Kits	\$300.00
	Tools and Supplies SUBTOTAL \$659.85
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BOOKS	TOTAL
Estimated Cost of Books (Academic and NUR courses)	\$1510.00
	Books SUBTOTAL \$1510.00
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GRAND TOTAL	\$10,784.35

Estimate only. Costs are subject to change.

LPN-to-RN MOBILITY - STANDARD CURRICULUM

Students may complete some or all of the general education (non-nursing) courses prior to admission to the LPN-to-RN Mobility program. Upon admission to the program, students must complete any remaining general education courses prior to or within the semester listed, in order to progress. **NUR courses are sequential and cannot be combined to shorten the length of the program.**

All courses listed in the LPN-to-RN Mobility curriculum must be completed with a “C” or higher.

Pre-requisite Courses (Required prior to application)

MTH100	Intermediate College Algebra (or a higher level math)	3
ENG101	English Composition I	3
*BIO201	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO202	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
TOTAL Credit Hours		14

First Term

**NUR200	Nursing Career Mobility Assessment	6
<i>On completion of NUR200, mobility students receive nontraditional credit for 15 hours of NUR courses (NUR102, 103, 104, 105, and 106).</i>		
TOTAL Credit Hours		6

Second Term

PSY200	General Psychology	3
BIO220	General Microbiology	4
NUR201	Nursing Through the Lifespan I	5
TOTAL Credit Hours		12

Third Term

SPH106 or SPH107	Speech	3
PSY210	Human Growth and Development	3
NUR202	Nursing Through the Lifespan II	6
TOTAL Credit Hours		12

Fourth Term

HUMANITIES ELECTIVE		3
NUR203	Nursing Through the Lifespan III	6
NUR204	Transition Into Nursing Practice	4
TOTAL Credit Hours		13

Total Program Credit Hours: 57

Per College curriculum requirements, the following courses will be required in order to complete your AAS in Nursing. These courses must be completed satisfactorily or with a “C” or higher:

- ORI 101:** Orientation to College (if applicable) – 1 credit hour
- ORI 104:** WorkKeys® Assessment and Advisement – 1 credit hour
- CIS 146:** Microcomputer Applications – 3 credit hours

***Pre-requisite:** Completion of BIO103 with a “C” or higher or satisfactory performance on ACCS Biology Placement Exam is required by WCC in order to progress to BIO201 (Anatomy & Physiology I). Students that have completed an Anatomy and Physiology course at WCC or another college and have received credit at WCC through the Office of Admissions and Records will not be required to complete BIO103 in order to meet curriculum requirements.

**** NUR200 is required for all LPN-to-RN Mobility students, with the following exception:
STUDENTS THAT HAVE COMPLETED THE ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM’S
STANDARDIZED PRACTICAL NURSING CURRICULUM WITHIN THE PAST TWO (2) YEARS.**