

Associate Degree Nursing Program – LVN to RN Transition

About the Career

Registered nurse: \$70,000 per year (\$33.65 per hour) Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2017 median pay

Registered nurses provide patient care at doctors' offices, clinics and hospitals. As the U.S. population ages, registered nurses are in evergreater demand.

About the Program

The COM Associate Degree Nursing Program prepares students for rewarding careers through hands-on classes, labs, and clinical experiences at health care facilities. Professors teach small classes, are available for extra help and dedicate themselves to students' success. Nursing tutors are available for individual and group sessions at no cost to the student.

Prerequisites			Semester #2		
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	RNSG 1412	Nursing Care of the Childbearing and Childrearing Family	4
BIOL 2401	Human Anatomy and Physiology I		RNSG 2261	Nursing Care of the Childbearing and Childrearing Family	
		4		Clinical	2
BIOL 2402	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4	RNSG 1343	Complex Concepts of Adult Health	3
BIOL 2420	Microbiology	4	RNSG 1162	Complex Concepts of Adult Health Clinical	1
PSYC 2301	Introduction to Psychology	3	PHIL 2306	Introduction to Ethics	3
PSYC 2314	Lifespan Development	3			
	Semester Total	21		Semester Total	13
Semester #1			Semester #3		
RNSG 1327	Transition to Professional Nursing	3	RNSG 2332	Enhanced Concepts of Adult Health	3
RNSG 1263	Transition to Professional Nursing				
	Clinical	2	RNSG 2262	Enhanced Concepts of Adult Health Clinical	2
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing	2	RNSG 2230	Professional Nursing Review/Licensure Preparation	2
RNSG 2161	Mental Health Nursing Clinical	1	RNSG 2263	Capstone Clinical	2
	Semester Total	8		Semester Total	9
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Degree total 51

**See Core Curriculum in current catalog for approved courses

Step 1: Apply to the college (<u>http://www.com.edu/admissions/apply</u>). Select General Studies Pre-Nursing as the major.

- Submit official transcripts and a Transcript Evaluation Form to COM Admissions Department for all colleges attended (except COM)
- Allow at least **2 weeks** for the evaluation to be completed (allow **2-3 months** during peak times)
- All transferred courses must be in the Student Information System (SIS) to be eligible for admission to nursing
- If you have taken nursing classes at a different school, contact the Nursing Advisor to apply as a transfer student into the nursing program.

Step 2: Apply to the one of the LVN to RN Transition Program.

- Go to <u>www.com.edu</u>.
- Click on WebAdvisor.
- Click on Nursing Applications Directory.
- Start your New Application (You may have more than one application open at a time if you are applying to multiple programs).
- Follow the instructions throughout the nursing applications. All application item sections must be completed before requesting access to the Nursing portal. Please send eligible certificates to nursingappdocs@com.edu after you have entered them into the application. You will not be given points for Degrees if they are not on file with the Admissions Department. You will not be given points for eligible certificates if they are not on file with the Nursing Department.



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You must have the following to apply to the LVN-RN Transition Program. You will be required to submit additional clinical readiness documentation if you are accepted into the program or if you are selected as an alternate:

□ ENGL 1301	Composition I
□ PSYC 2301	Introduction to Psychology
□ PSYC 2314	Lifespan Development
□ BIOL 2401	Human Anatomy and Physiology I
□ BIOL 2402	Human Anatomy and Physiology II
□ BIOL 2420	Microbiology

- □ Current and unencumbered LVN license.
- □ Score at least 75% or greater on each of the following sections of the HESI A2: Math, Reading, Grammar, Basic Vocabulary, A&P. **NOTE:** The 75% or greater must be achieved on each individual section, not the Cumulative Score. (Students may submit up to 3 results per application period and the higher score will be accepted. Results are only valid for three years).
 - To have a HESI A2 transcript sent to the Nursing Department, please go to <u>https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/store?role=student</u> and log in using your username and password.
 - Click on HESI Transcripts on the bottom right of the screen page. Download the HESI Transcript Request Form. You may also access the HESI Transcript Request Form at this link: <u>http://coursewareobjects.elsevier.com/objects/Fulfillment_Exports/Customer_Files/HESI/HESI_Transcript_Request_Form_V2.pdf</u>.
 - Follow the directions and on the form to return the document to Elsevier. Please be aware that it takes 7-10 business days for processing the transcript form. When filling out the form to send a Transcript to College of the Mainland Nursing Department, please use the following information:

Institution/School: College of the Mainland Deliver Transcript via Email Attention: Nursing Department Address: 1200 Amburn Road Texas City, TX 77591 Email: <u>nursingappdocs@com.edu</u> Fax: (409) 933-8028

- □ TSI College Ready
- Earn a prerequisite grade point average (GPA) of *at least* 2.80
- Proof of one Hepatitis B series (three vaccinations in total). A positive titer will be required if accepted to the program 30 days before the program starts. The titer must be the HBsAB titer. If the titer is negative or equivocal and the applicant has documentation of only one Hep B series, the series must be restarted.
- □ Proof of Hepatitis C Screen.
- □ Annual seasonal flu vaccination.
- Dependence of two MMR vaccines and/or serological testing. If a titer is submitted, the titer must be positive and be MMR IgG.
- □ Proof of two Varicella vaccines and/or positive serological testing. If a titer is submitted, the titer must be positive and be VZV Ab IgG.
- □ Proof of Tdap vaccination within the past 10 years.
- □ Proof of Tuberculosis screen (must be PPD, Chest X-Ray, or Quantiferon serological test).
- Proof of Basic Life Support (BLS) course completed within the past year. The BLS course must be completed through the American Heart Association. College of the Mainland offers American Heart Association BLS courses. Contact CE-Allied Health Program at 409-933-8645 for class information.



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- Completed Nursing Physical Assessment Form with Immunization Documentation
- □ Valid Texas Driver's License.
- □ Health Insurance is required.

All clinical documentation must be documented on our verification forms. Required Nursing Student Portal - Clinical Documentation Verification Forms can be found on the Nursing Student Resources link as follows: <u>https://www.com.edu/nursing/nursing-student-resources</u> These forms will be required to be uploaded once the student has access to the Nursing Student Portal. All documentation must be PDF scanned files from a flatbed scanner. Do not take a photo of the immunization to upload it. Scanner apps from mobile devices are not acceptable.

- Summer Admission Application Open Date: November 15th.
- Summer Admission Application Deadline: March 22nd.

Applicants are ranked for selection based on the following:

*Weighted GPA for prerequisite courses

* HESI A2 Score Calculation

*Education Points (Doctorate, Master's Degree in Science or Arts, Bachelor's Degree in Science or Arts, Associate's Degree in Science or Arts, and Health-Related Certificates). Approved Health-Related Certificates are Certified Nursing Assistant, Emergency Medical Technician, Medical Assistant, and Paramedic. Certificates must be current and approved by a state agency to be considered for points. A degree must be health related. Points will only be awarded for the highest/certificate submitted.

NOTE: It is strongly recommended that students not work from 8-5p.m. the first week of class due to pre-clinical orientation.

Notice to Students Regarding Licensing

Effective September 1, 2017, HB 1508 amends the Texas Occupations Code Section 53 that requires education providers to notify potential or enrolled students that a criminal history may make them ineligible for an occupational license upon program completion. The following website provides links to information about the licensing process and requirements: <u>https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure_eligibility.asp</u>.

Should you wish to request a review of the impact of criminal history on your potential Registered Nurse License prior to or during your quest for a degree, you can visit this link and request a "Criminal History Evaluation": https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure_endorsement.asp.

This information is being provided to all persons who apply or enroll in the program, with notice of the requirements as described above, regardless of whether or not the person has been convicted of a criminal offense. Additionally, HB 1508 authorizes licensing agencies to require reimbursements when a student fails to receive the required notice.

For more information, contact: COM Nursing Department (TVB 1120) Web: <u>www.com.edu/nursing</u> Email: <u>nursing@com.edu</u> Phone: 409-933-8425