

Associate in Arts - Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA)**Nursing Focus**

Prepare for upper division coursework in nursing. This degree option is designed for students who began the nursing program at LCC before January 2016, and plan to continue their education for a baccalaureate degree in nursing at an institution that offers an RN to BSN program. Students who begin the nursing program after January 2016 are to follow the Associate in Nursing DTA/MRP Academic Plan.

Degree Requirements

- **Communications:**
15 credits - ENGL& 101 English Composition I AND ENGL& 102 English Composition II AND CMST& 220 (was SPCH 110) Public Speaking OR CMST& 230 (was SPCH 114) Small Group Communication.
- **Quantitative Skills:**
5 credits – MATH& 146 Introduction to Statistics
- **Humanities:**
15 credits – selected from at least two disciplines on the distribution list for transfer degrees. No more than 5 credits in foreign language at the 100 level, no more than 10 credits from any one discipline. No more than 5 credits in performance/skills courses are allowed.
- **Natural Sciences:**
32 credits – BIOL& 160 (or BIOL& 170 or BIOL 211), BIOL& 241, BIOL& 242, BIOL& 260, CHEM& 121, NUTR& 101. Selected from at least two disciplines on the Distribution List; must include 5 credits of lab courses. At least 10 credits in physical, biological and/or earth sciences. No more than 5 credits from Computer Science, Mathematics, and Engineering. Courses used to satisfy this requirement may not be used to satisfy the Quantitative Skills requirement.
- **Social Sciences:**
15 credits – SOC& 101 Intro to Sociology:DIV, PSYC& 200 Lifespan Psychology, plus 5 credits (ANTH 206 recommended).
- **Electives:**
(Fulfilled by the required Nursing Program Requirements)

NOTE: Washington or Oregon State certification as a Nursing Assistant is required for admission to the LCC Nursing Program. (NURS 090 (8 credits) is the Nursing Assistant course offered at LCC. Does not fulfill any degree requirements.

Diversity and Distribution Lists are available in the Lower Columbia College Academic Catalog and at lowercolumbia.edu/catalog.

Total credits required to earn this degree: 90

Students completing this program should acquire the following skills and abilities:

AA DTA Outcomes

Upon the completion of the AA DTA, students will be prepared for transfer to a four-year institution for the student's intended career pathway, and have the following skills and abilities:

Global Skills (assessed at degree level):

- **Communication:** Express ideas and information in writing and speaking in a manner that is clear and appropriate to the audience, and read and listen effectively.
- **Critical thinking:** Apply objective, valid methods of inquiry and problem-solving to draw rational, ethical, and coherent conclusions.
- **Interpersonal relations:** Interact effectively with individuals and/or within groups.
- **Numeracy:** Achieve competency with numbers and graphical skills to interpret and communicate quantifiable information, and apply mathematical and statistical skills in practical and abstract contexts.

General education outcomes (assessed at course level):

- **Diversity:** Examine the causes and expressions of difference, power, and discrimination.
- **Humanities:** Explore how people process, document, and express their social and cultural experience.

- Social Science: Examine society, behavior, and relationships among individuals within a society.
- Natural Science: Develop familiarity with various aspects of the physical world and scientific explanations of observed phenomena.

Area of study outcomes:

- Understand foundational concepts in the natural sciences (anatomy, physiology, microbiology, chemistry, nutrition) and the social sciences of sociology and psychology as they apply to the field of nursing and healthcare.
- Communicate effectively in written and spoken English.
- Comprehension of the role of statistical concepts in research.
- A basic understanding of the many influences on and expression of the human condition and human experience.
- Critical thinking and use of the nursing process.
- Competencies at the Registered Nurse entry-to-practice level as provider of care, manager of care, and member of the discipline of nursing.
- Prepared for the nursing licensure examination and employment as a registered nurse.
- Prepared for further education in nursing.

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Planner

The distribution lists are in the LCC Catalog. If you are online, click on the links below:

Diversity Course List

Distribution List

AA - DTA Unofficial Degree Completion Worksheet

ONLINE – AA - DTA Unofficial Degree Completion Worksheet

This worksheet is for students who are only taking online courses to earn their AA-DTA.

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| Fall Quarter | | | Winter Quarter | | | Spring Quarter | | | Summer Quarter | | |
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| ✓ | Courses | Crs | ✓ | Courses | Crs | ✓ | Courses | Crs | ✓ | Courses | Crs |
| | MATH 210 | 5 | | ENGL& 101 | 5 | | BIOL& 242 | 5 | | CHEM& 121 | 5 |
| | BIOL& 160 | 5 | | BIOL& 241 | 5 | | SOC& 101 | 5 | | NUTR& 101 | 5 |
| | | | | PSYC& 200 | 5 | | ENGL& 102 | 5 | | BIOL& 260 | 5 |
| Total: | | 10 | Total: | | 15 | Total: | | 15 | Total: | | 15 |

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| | NURS 101/111 | 5 | | NURS 102/112 | 5 | | NURS 103/113 | 5 | | HUM ELEC | 5 |
| | AH 104 | 2 | | AH 114 | 2 | | | | | HUM ELEC | 5 |

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| √ | Courses | Crs | √ | Courses | Crs | √ | Courses | Crs | √ | Courses | Crs |
| | | | | | | | | | | CMST& 220 | 5 |
| Total: | | 7 | Total: | | 7 | Total: | | 5 | Total: | | 15 |

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| | NURS 104/114 | 5 | | NURS 201/221 | 5 | | NURS 202/222 | 5 | | HUM ELEC | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | | | ANTH 206 | 5 |
| Total: | | 5 | Total: | | 5 | Total: | | 5 | Total: | | 10 |

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| | NURS 203/223 | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| Total: | | 5 | Total: | | | Total: | | | Total: | | |

Notes:

Program planning is based on information available at the time of preparation. It is the student's responsibility to meet with their LCC advisor and with an advisor at the college to which they plan to transfer for specific requirements. Consult the LCC catalog for LCC graduation requirements. Most four-year universities require one year of a single foreign language as a graduation requirement.

Nursing Program admission requirements include a High School Diploma or GED, and current Nursing Assistant Certification issued by the Washington or Oregon Department of Health. To comply with health care agency requirements, students must provide documentation of the following before NURS 101: Current first aid card, current Healthcare Provider CPR, negative urine drug screen (must be within 30 days of beginning NURS 101), all required immunizations or titers, current TB test or chest X-ray, and completion of a criminal and fraud background check.

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