

Associate in Nursing - Direct Transfer Agreement (AN-DTA/MRP)

Registered Nurse

This degree prepares students for licensure and employment as a registered nurse, as well as for continuing nursing education for a baccalaureate degree in nursing. Students who complete this degree and pass the registered nurse license exam (NCLEX-RN) may enter participating Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs in Washington State as seniors. The Nursing Program is approved by the Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

Degree Requirements

- **Communications:**
10 credits - ENGL& 101 English Composition I AND ENGL& 102 English Composition II OR CMST& 220 (was SPCH 110) Public Speaking.
- **Quantitative Skills:**
5 credits – MATH& 146 Introduction to Statistics
- **Humanities:**
15 credits – *HUM 150, 250, 251: Ethics and Policy in Healthcare I (1 cr), II (2 cr), & III (2 cr) (taken after admission to Nursing Program); 10 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. Five of these credits must also meet the DIV requirement.
- **Natural Sciences:**
30 credits – BIOL& 160, BIOL& 241, BIOL& 242, BIOL& 260, CHEM& 121, NUTR& 101
- **Social Sciences:**
15 credits – PSYC& 100 General Psychology; PSYC& 200 Lifespan Psychology; *PSYC 150 & 250: Psychosocial Issues in Healthcare I (2 cr), & II (3 cr) (taken after admission to Nursing Program)
- **Diversity:**
5 credits. Must be met by a course on both the Humanities distribution list and the DIV course list.
- **Electives:**
Fulfilled by 15 credits of the Nursing courses

Nursing Courses

NURS 150	Pharmacology in Nursing I	2
NURS 151	Nurs Concepts/Health & Illness I	3
NURS 152	Nurs concepts/Health & Illness II	5
NURS 153	Nurs Concepts/Health & Illness III	5
NURS 160	Skills in Nursing I	2
NURS 161	Nursing Practicum I	3
NURS 162	Nursing Practicum II	5
NURS 163	Nursing Practicum III	5
NURS 250	Pharmacology in Nursing II	1
NURS 251	Nurs Concepts/Health & Illness IV	4
NURS 252	Nurs concepts/Health & Illness V	5
NURS 253	Nurs Concepts/Health & Illness VI	5
NURS 260	Skills in Nursing II	1
NURS 261	Nursing Practicum IV	4
NURS 262	Nursing Practicum V	5
NURS 263	Nursing Practicum VI	5

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: 135. Additional credits may be used to satisfy degree requirements, but only 135 credits will transfer to four-year institutions.

*Note: Admission to the nursing program is required for all NURS courses, as well as HUM 150, 250, 251, PSYC 150 and 250.

Admission is competitive. **Grade of C or higher is required in all courses.** ENGL& 101, MATH 210, PSYC& 100, PSYC& 200, BIOL& 160, BIOL& 241, BIOL& 242, BIOL& 260, and CHEM& 121 must be completed or in process to apply. It is recommended that the communications courses, NUTR& 101, and the 10 credits of humanities (5 of which must be DIV) be completed prior to beginning the nursing coursework.

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

- Demonstrate critical thinking by applying objective, valid methods of inquiry and problem solving to draw rational, ethical, and coherent conclusions in nursing practice.
- Demonstrate competence in basic nursing knowledge and skills in the performance of the nursing roles as provider of care, manager of care, and member of the profession.
- Communicate effectively in professional nursing practice.
- Process and utilize quantitative data in professional nursing practice.
- Incorporate professional interpersonal skills and caring behaviors in nursing practice.
- Recognize the importance of life-long learning to success in the profession of 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		
√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs
	BIOL& 160	5		BIOL& 241	5		BIOL& 242	5			
	PSYC& 100	5		CHEM& 121	5		PSYC& 200	5			
	MATH 210	5		ENGL& 101	5		BIOL& 260	5			
	Total:	15		Total:	15		Total:	15		Total:	

Fall Quarter			Winter Quarter			Spring Quarter			Summer Quarter		
√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs
	NUTR& 101	5		CMST& 220 or ENGL& 102	5		HUMANITIES				
	NURS 150	2		NURS 152	5		NURS 153	5			
	NURS 151	3		NURS 162	5		NURS 163	5			
	NURS 160	2		HUM 250	2		PSYC 150	2			
	NURS 161	3									
	HUM 150	1									
Total:		16	Total:		17	Total:		17	Total:		

Fall Quarter			Winter Quarter			Spring Quarter			Summer Quarter		
√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs	√	Courses	Crs
	HUM (DIV)	5		NURS 252	5		NURS 253	5			
	NURS 250	1		NURS 262	5		NURS 263	5			
	NURS 251	4		PSYC 250	3		HUM 251	2			
	NURS 261	5									
Total:		15	Total:		13	Total:		12	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 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 upon admission to the program: Current first aid card, current Healthcare Provider CPR, negative urine drug screen within 30 days prior to beginning nursing coursework, all required immunizations and titers, current TB test or chest X-ray, and completion of a criminal and fraud background check. Certain criminal convictions or pending charges automatically disqualify an individual from having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults, juveniles, and children, hence may disqualify a student from the program. Please refer to the Nursing Program website Practicum requirements, as well as the DSHS Secretary's List of Disqualifying Crimes