

LPN to RN Program Requirements

In order to be considered for admission to the RN program, each student must meet the following criteria:

- Completion of platform coursework with a “C” or better and a minimum 2.75 GPA; conditional acceptance may be granted to those students who are in the process of completing remaining platform coursework. Failure to maintain a 2.75 GPA and “C” or better upon completion of remaining platform coursework or failure to complete all platform coursework prior to the start of the program may lead to forfeiture of RN program admission offer.
- Current unencumbered Arkansas LPN licensure. Recent graduates must have made application to the Arkansas State Board of Nursing in order to be considered for conditional admission. Upon an applicant receiving conditional admission, the applicant must show proof of a temporary license prior to beginning coursework. The applicant must pass the NCLEX-PN prior to the final date to drop/withdraw from courses with full reduction of tuition/fees. Failure to take or pass the NCLEX-PN by this time will result in the student being administratively withdrawn from the program.
- Submission of complete and accurate RN Program Application Packet for Admission
- Completion of appropriate HESI PN or Paramedic to ADN MOBILITY EXAM testing
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Students who speak English as a second language must meet the same admission criteria as other students.
- Must have either a) graduated from an ASBN approved PN school in the 12 months prior to application OR b) been employed a minimum of 1,000 hours as an LPN in the 12 months prior to application. Work experience must be in acute or long-term care. Volunteer hours are not considered in the 1,000 hours.
- All courses required in the platform for the nursing program are either currently offered on the Arkansas Tech University Ozark or Russellville campuses. Applicants with platform coursework completed at other institutions should have their official transcripts sent to the Office of Student Services for review. The platform coursework includes:

Prefix	Number	Title	Credit hrs
MATH	1113	College Algebra	3
ENGL	1013	Composition I	3
PSY	2003	General Psychology	3
BIOL BIOL	2404 or 2014	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Human Anatomy	4
BIOL BIOL	2414 or 3074	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Human Physiology	4
ENGL	1023	Composition II	3
BST COMS COMS	1303 or 2003 or 1003	Introduction to Computers Microcomputer Applications Introduction to Computer-Based Systems	3
PSY	3813	Lifespan Development	3
BIOL BIOL	2054 or 3054	Microbiology for Health Sciences Microbiology	4
SOC	1003	Introduction to Sociology	3
CHEM	1111 and 1113	Survey of Chemistry Lab/A Survey of Chemistry	4
RN	2006	Paramedic Transition to RN*	6
		Total Platform Hours	37 / 43