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Transitional Entry: LVN to RN (Associate Degree in Applied Science)

Program Description

The Transitional Entry course is designed to facilitate upward educational mobility for the Licensed Vocational/Practical Nurse by offering an opportunity for advanced placement into the Registered Nursing Program. The Advance Placement (LVN-TE) courses are offered in the Spring semesters. After successful completion of these courses, and paying a credit award fee, the student "transitions" into the Sophomore year of nursing. At the completion of the program, nursing students will be able to:

- Demonstrate the ability to explain, apply and integrate theoretical knowledge necessary in the provision of nursing care
- Demonstrate independent clinical decision making skills to provide safe, effective care for clients and families.
- Independently initiate and maintain communication and health teaching to meet the needs of clients and families.
- Independently integrate caring interventions and client advocacy into nursing practice.
- Demonstrate skills, including collaboration, as a leader or member of the interdisciplinary team.
- Independently initiates collaboration with members of the health care team, clients and families.
- Demonstrate professional attitudes and behaviors that promote personal growth.
- Demonstrate ethical-legal accountability consistent with the roles of the Registered Nurse with an Associate Degree.

The program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) and the Board of Nursing for the State of Texas. Following program completion, the graduate is eligible to take the National Licensing Examination (NCLEX-RN) to become a Registered Nurse.

Program Information

An information packet is available on line. Please e-mail nursing@grayson.edu to learn how to access this packet. Accessing this packet is required for application to this program.

For More Information, Contact

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Pre-Requisite Courses

Anatomy & Physiology I (BIOL 2301)	3	Anatomy & Physiology. II (BIOL 2302)	3
Anatomy & Physiology I Lab (BIOL 2101)	1	Anatomy & Physiology II Lab (BIOL 2102)	1
Microbiology (BIOL 2321)	3	Child & Life Span Develop. (PSYC 2314)	3
Microbiology Lab (BIOL 2121)	1	Composition & Rhetoric I (ENGL 1301)	<u>3</u>
General Psychology (PSYC 2301)	<u>3</u>		10
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Co-Requisite Courses

Fundamentals of Speech (SPCH 1311) or Business & Professional Communication (SPCH 1321)	3
Comp & Rhetoric II (ENGL 1302)	3
Introduction to Sociology (SOC 1301) or Social Problems (SOC 1306)	3
Elective	<u>3</u>
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Nursing Courses

Transition from Vocational to Professional Nursing (RNSG 1227)	2	Nursing III	
Care of Clients w/ Common Needs (RNSG 2404)	<u>4</u>	Care of Clients w/Complex Health Care Needs (RNSG 2514)	5
	6	Clinical (RNSG 2562)	<u>5</u>
		Nursing IV	10
		Integrated Client Care Mgmt. (RNSG 2435)	4
		Clinical IV (RNSG 2563)	<u>5</u>
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Important Information for Applicants

Physical/Mental Performance Admission/Progression Policy

In order to accomplish the objectives of the program, students must be able to meet the following performance requirements:

- A. Visual acuity with corrective lenses to identify cyanosis, absence of respiratory movement in patients, and to read small print on medication containers, physicians' orders, monitors, and equipment calibrations.
- B. Hearing ability with auditory aids to understand the normal speaking voice without viewing the speaker's face and to hear monitor alarms, emergency signals, call bells from patients, and stethoscopic sounds originating from a patient's blood vessels, heart, lung, and abdomen.
- C. Physical ability to stand for prolonged periods of time, perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation, lift patients, and move from room to room or maneuver in limited spaces.
- D. Ability to communicate effectively in verbal and written form. Ability to speak clearly and succinctly when explaining treatment procedures, describing patient conditions, and implementing health teaching. Ability to write legibly and correctly in patient's chart for legal documentation.
- E. Manual dexterity to use sterile techniques and insert catheters. Prepare and administer medications such as IVs, POs, and IMs.
- F. Ability to function safely under stressful conditions, adapting to ever-changing clinical situations involving patient care.

Eligibility for RN Licensure: A petition for Declaratory Order must be submitted to the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners prior to graduation if any of the following criteria apply:

- Have you ever been convicted, placed on community supervision whether or not adjudicated guilty, sentenced to serve jail or prison time or granted pre-trial diversion, or plead guilty, no contest or nolo contendere to any crime in any state, territory or country, or received a court order whether or not a sentence was imposed, including any pending criminal charges or deferred adjudications with or without a finding of guilt. **Please note that DUIs, DWIs, and PIs must be reported and are not considered minor traffic violations. One time minor in possession [MIP] or minor in consumption [MIC] does not need to be disclosed; therefore, you may answer "No." If you have two or more MIPs or MICs, you must answer "Yes." You may answer "No" if you have previously disclosed a criminal matter otherwise responsive to this question in a renewal and/or licensure form.**
 - Do you have any criminal charges pending, including unresolved arrests?
 - Has **any** licensing authority refused to issue you a license or ever revoked, annulled, cancelled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew a license, certificate or multi-state privilege held by you now or previously, or ever fined, censured, reprimanded or otherwise disciplined you?
 - Within the past five (5) years have you been addicted to and/or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?*
 - Within the past five (5) years have you been diagnosed with, treated, or hospitalized for schizophrenia and/or psychotic disorders, bipolar disorder, paranoid personality disorder, antisocial personality disorder, or borderline personality disorder?*
- *Indicate the condition:

Drug Screen/Background Check: Most clinical agencies now require the student to take a urine drug screening test and a criminal background check before participating in a clinical experience. All students will be required to submit to both prior to participating in a clinical experience. The cost of the drug screen/background check is the responsibility of the applicant.

External Exit Exam must be passed to graduate from program.

Financial Aid: Financial aid is available to students including loans, grants, scholarships and work study jobs. All students seeking financial aid must complete the Fee Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) over the internet at www.fafsa.ed.gov. (GCC's school code in Step Six is 003570) and a GCC Application for Financial Aid is available on the GCC website at www.grayson.edu. All applications should be filed by March 31st to ensure full consideration.

Admission Criteria and Acceptance

Application for admission to the nursing program, along with GED or high school transcripts and transcripts from each college or university attended, are due in the Health Sciences Offices by July 31st. Applications will **not** be evaluated until all required information has been submitted. Submission of documents to the Health Science Department is the responsibility of the applicant. Applicants will be notified in writing via US mail by the middle of September and final admission will be contingent upon attendance at a mandatory Orientation Session in December, CPR certification, TB test and results of urine drug screening and background checks.

Minimum Selection requirements:

- Admission to Grayson County College
- Access and follow online information packet
- ADN Nursing Admission Test (passing 75%)
- College GPA (cumulative) minimum 2.5 from completed college courses.
- High School Diploma or GED
- High School Math (2 years, "C" or better) or College Credit (3 hr, "C" or better) Math course
- Completion of Anatomy & Physiology Course I & II with a grade of "C" or better within the first 3 attempts, including withdrawals.
- Microbiology, General Psychology, Composition & Rhetoric I, Child & Life Span Development with a minimum grade of "C".
- Current licensure as an LVN/LPN
- Current employment as an LVN/LPN for the past year in a clinical setting.
- Required immunizations (includes a 6-month Hepatitis A & B series).

Anticipated Program Costs For Two Years

Tuition (in-district) 58 hrs @ \$49/hr	\$2842.00
Drug Screen/Background Check	84.00
Lab Fees	100.00
Lab Kit	20.00
Matriculation/Parking Fees	90.00
Textbooks	1200.00
Uniforms & shoes	250.00
Liability Insurance	20.00
Pinning Ceremony Fee & Nursing Pin	100.00
Assessment Tests	115.00
State Board Exam Fee	400.00
NCLEX Review Course	300.00
Miscellaneous	600.00
Required immunizations	100.00
Approximate Total	\$6,221.00

Counseling: Professionally trained counselors are available to all students and are prepared to assist students in achieving success. A wide variety of counseling and support services are available. For example, a Foreign and ESOL Student Advisor is available to assist international students with a variety of needs. Members of the Choctaw Nation should contact the Choctaw Nation representative available on campus to assist with learning about opportunities available.



GRAYSON COUNTY COLLEGE
HEALTH SCIENCE DIVISION
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Following Acceptance
Recent Snapshot
Required

Circle Program Desired:

Associate Degree Nursing (RN) Transitional Entry (LVN to RN) Dental Assisting
Vocational Nursing (LVN) Medical Laboratory Technology Radiologic Technology

Date Applied: _____ Desired Entry Date: _____

Name: _____ SS#: _____ - _____ - _____
Last First Middle

Mailing Address: _____
Street/Box City State Zip

Telephone Residence: () _____ Cell #: () _____ Business #: () _____

Pager: () _____ E-mail Address: _____

Alternate: () _____
Name Address Relation

Emergency: () _____
Name Address Relation

EDUCATION

GED: _____
Name of Institution/Location Date of Completion

High School: _____
Name of Institution/Location Date of Completion

College: _____
Name of Institution Date Attended

Major: _____ Degree/Certificate Earned: _____

Submit To: Health Science Department or Program Director
Scores and transcripts must be submitted along with your application.

_____ GED Scores _____ THEA/TASP Scores _____ Transcripts: High School/Colleges

NOTE: Applications are not automatically “held over” from one official application filing period to the next. Students who are not selected for admission the semester for which they apply or students declining the acceptance for that semester must keep their file active by submitting updated information and return a letter of intent during the next filing period to be considered for the next admission opportunity. **All inactive files will be purged.**

English proficiency is not a barrier for admission to Grayson County College.

Grayson County College will take positive actions to ensure that all people regardless of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, or handicap are given an opportunity of sharing in the educational, employment, and business activities of the College.