The Department of Nursing at Central Ohio Technical College offers a three semester advanced standing option for Licensed Practical Nurses. The curriculum provides a balance of general education and nursing courses. Carefully planned clinical laboratory experiences are an integral part of all nursing courses and encompass caring for all age groups in medical and surgical areas. Affiliated health care facilities in Central and East Central Ohio are utilized to provide clinical experiences for students. Graduates are awarded an associates of applied science in nursing and are eligible to apply to take the licensing exam (NCLEX-RN) to become registered nurses. Recipients of the degree are prepared to function in beginning staff-level registered nurse positions in a variety of healthcare facilities as members of a health care team.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of the plan of study the student will be able to:

- Collaborate with health care team members to provide safe, competent care to meet the patient’s biopsychosocial, spiritual, and cultural needs in a variety of health care settings.
- Utilize technology and a spirit of inquiry to examine resources to develop nursing judgment and guide evidence-based practice.
- Manage patient-centered nursing care and promote the health of patients within the family and community context.
- Demonstrate professional behavior and integrity within an ethical and legal framework.
- Demonstrate knowledge, skills, and attitudes as a nurse generalist with the ability to assess and prioritize patient needs and services.
- Utilize quality improvement to continually enhance patient care and promote positive patient outcomes.

Important Student Characteristics

- Accountability, integrity
- Ability to successfully manage math and science courses
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Computer literacy

Admission Selection/Requirements

Spaces available in the LPN to Associate Degree Nursing program are limited and selections are made on a competitive basis each term. Minimum requirements for consideration include:

- Submit the Application for Admission Form online.
- Complete COTC Placement Assessment or proof of waiver eligibility.
- If applicant places into pre-college coursework (genr 091/math 080), those courses must be successfully completed with a grade "C" or higher prior to the Nursing Application deadline.
- Attend a mandatory Nursing Information Meeting.* (Valid 12 months.) Visit www.cotc.edu/healthinfomeetings for more information.
- Unencumbered Ohio LPN license with Meds yes approval. If applicant is a recent PN graduate, must be eligible to take the NCLEX-PN, and must show evidence of confirmed NCLEX test date.
- CPR—American Heart Association Health Care Provider Certificate is required for clinical sites upon selection.
- Completion of Nursing Selection Program pre-requisite courses (with a “C” grade or higher)
  - MATH 130 Introduction to Statistics
  - Anatomy/Physiology, BIO 130
  - Psy 100 Intro to Psychology

NOTE: Some General Education courses in the LPN to ADN Transition program require prerequisite courses not listed as program prerequisites.

Example: Anatomy & Physiology at COTC requires a “C” grade (2.00) or better in high school biology and a “C” grade (2.00) or better in high school chemistry or CHEM-020.

Course planning is essential and students are responsible for understanding the prerequisite requirements that are not specifically stated.

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Accreditation/ Membership
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The Associate Degree in Nursing Program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

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Website: acenursing.org

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