

NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
College of Nursing
LPN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Curriculum Pattern

Freshman Year

First Semester		Second Semester	
Course	CR hrs	Course	CR hrs
University 1000	1	English 1020 (Comp & Rhet II)	3
English 1010 (Comp & Rhet I)	3	*Math	3
*Math	3	Biol 2260/2261	4
Biol 2250/2251	4	Biol 2210 (Microbiology)	3
Chemistry 1070 (Intro Chemistry)	3	**Social Science	3
TOTAL: 14 hours		TOTAL: 16 hours	

Sophomore Year

First Semester		Second Semester (1st Level)	
Course	CR hrs	Course	CR hrs
Biology 2240 (Intro to Human Genetics)	3	Nutrition 1030 (General Nutrition)	3
Engl 2110	3	N 2170 Dosage Calculation (1-1-0)	1
Comm 1010 or Comm 2500	3	N 3040 – Foundations of Nursing (3-3-0) (Credit to LPN)	3
#N 3030 Intro to Nursing as a Profession (3-3-0) Requires application for admission – see nursing advisor	3	N 3041 – Foundations Practicum (2-0-6) (Credit to LPN)	2
#N 3050 Pathophysiology (3-3-0) Requires application for admission – see nursing advisor	3	N 3060 – Health Assessment (3-3-0)	3
		N 3061 – Health Assessment/Skill Lab (3-1-6) (Credit to LPN)	3
TOTAL: 15 hours		TOTAL: 15 hours	

Junior Year

First Semester (2nd Level)		Second Semester (3rd Level)	
Course	CR hrs	Course	CR hrs
N 3130 – Adult Health (4-4-0)	4	N 3220 – Child Health (2-2-0)	2
N 3141 – Adult Health Practicum (4-0-12) (Credit to LPN)	4	N 3221 – Child Health Practicum (2-0-6)	2
N 3150 – Pharmacology in Nursing (3-3-0)	3	N 3230 – Women’s Health (2-2-0)	2
Fine Arts 1040 – Exploring the Arts	3	N 3231 – Women’s Health Practicum (2-0-6)	2
****History	3	N 3160 – Research in Nursing (3-3-0) or ALHE 4520	3
		Psychology 4400 (Statistics)	3
		LPN’s begin actual clinical experience; this semester!	
TOTAL: 17 hours		TOTAL: 14 hours	

Senior Year

First Semester (4th Level)		Second Semester (5th Level)	
Course	CR hrs	Course	CR hrs
N 4120 – Complex Nursing Care (4-4-0)	4	N 4220 – Community Health Nursing (3-3-0)	3
N 4121 – Complex Nursing Practicum (2-0-6)	2	N 4221 – Community Health Practicum (2-0-6)	2
N 4130 – Psych/Mental Health (3-3-0)	3	N 4231 – Transition to Professional Practice (4-0-12)	4
N 4131 – Psych/Mental Health Practicum (2-0-6)	2	N 4230 – Healthcare Management (3-3-0)	3
***Behavioral Science	3	N 4950-Special Topics	3
TOTAL: 14 hours		TOTAL: 15 hours	

General: 54

Nursing: 66 (54 by enrollment; 12 by credit awarded)
120 Total Hours

Before entering nursing courses, student MUST meet ALL criteria listed in the special admission policies found in the University Catalog.

* Acceptable Math course sequences: 1020-1060, 1020-1090, 1020-2010, or 2100-2110

** Selected from: Anthropology 1510, 2020; Economics 2000; Political Science 2010; or Geography 1010, 1020

*** Selected from: Psychology 1010, Psychology 2050, or Sociology 1010

****Selected from: History 1010, 1020, 2010, or 2020