

Nursing Degree - Direct Transfer Agreement/Major Related Program (DTA/MRP)

The TCC LPN to RN Bridge Program/Nursing Degree (DTA/MRP) is a three-year program for students who complete their prerequisites and nursing training at the community/technical college level and then they are able to transfer to a university to complete the last 45 credits to earn a Bachelors in Science in Nursing (BSN).

NURSING PROGRAM FACTORED COURSE PREREQUISITES					
All six courses below are "factored" courses and require a minimum grade of "B" within two attempts in the last five year period, however, classes do not expire. This includes <u>all</u> academic withdrawals. An overall 2.5 GPA for all college-level courses, from all colleges, is required.					
Course	Course Title	Cr.	Prerequisite(s) to This Course	Qtr/Year Taken	
BIOL& 241	Human A&P I	5	BIOL& 160 and CHEM& 121		
BIOL& 242	Human A&P 2	5	BIOL& 241		
BIOL& 260	General Microbiology	5	CHEM& 121 and BIOL& 160		
CHEM& 121 or CHEM&161	Intro to Inorganic Chemistry General Chemistry w/Lab	5	MATH 95 CHEM& 140 with a minimum grade of C		
ENGL& 101 *	English Composition I	5	ENGL/95 or assessment at college-level English		
PSYC& 200	Lifespan Psychology	5	PSYC& 100		
NURSING PROGRAM NON-FACTORED COURSE PREREQUISITES					
These courses require a minimum grade of 'C'.			These courses require successful completion – 'S' or 'C' grade; or meet assessment		
BIOL& 160**	General Cell Biology	5	ENGL/ 95 and MATH 90 or MATH 93 or assessment at college-level math.		
CMST& 210	Interpersonal Communication	5	ENGL& 101 with a minimum grade of C (recommended)		
ENGL& 102 or 103 or 235	English Composition 2 or 3 or Technical Writing	5	ENGL& 101 with a minimum grade of C		
MATH& 146	Intro to Statistics	5	MATH 95 and ENGL/ 95 or assessment at college-level English		
NUTR 250 ***	Nutrition in Health Care	3	BIOL&160 and CHEM&121with a minimum grade of C		
PSYC& 100	General Psychology	5	ENGL/ 95 w/"C" or higher or assessed at college-level English.		
Humanities Course from the Distribution List ****	See approved course list in course catalog.	5	See Course Catalog, College Transfer, "Approved Distribution Course List".		
CORE NURSING COURSEWORK – Completed after entrance					
Once a student is accepted into the program they will complete the following curriculum and must achieve a minimum 2.0 GPA in each course.					
Level 3			Level 5		
NURS 103	Health & Illness Concepts III	3	NURS 202	Health & Illness Concepts V	4
NURS 124	Clinical Simulation III	2	NURS 227	Clinical Simulation V	2
NURS 155	Pharmacology III	1	NURS 257	Pharmacology V	1
NURS 193	Clinical III	3	NURS 295	Clinical V	3
PHIL 201	Ethics and Policy in Health Care I	3	SOCSC 205	Psychosocial Issues in Healthcare II	2
SOCSC 204	Psychosocial Issues in Health Care I	3			
TOTAL CREDITS		15	TOTAL CREDITS		12
Level 4			Level 6		
NURS 201	Health & Illness Concepts IV	4	NURS 234	Transition To Practice Seminar	1
NURS 226	Clinical Simulation IV	2	NURS 228	Clinical Simulation VI	1
NURS 256	Pharmacology IV	1	NURS 244	Preparation for RN Licensure Exam	1
NURS 294	Clinical IV	3	NURS 286	Professional Concepts II	1
PHIL 202	Ethics and Policy in Health Care II	2	NURS 296	Transition to Practice: Clinical	6
			NUTR 251	Nutrition in Health Care II	2
TOTAL CREDITS		12	TOTAL CREDITS		12

NOTES:

* ENGL& 102 or ENGL& 103 or ENGL 235 may be accepted in lieu of the ENGL&101 factored course. To use one of these courses, there may be no more than 3 combined attempts in the last 5 years for the two English courses that you use as pre-requisites. (Example: you take ENGL& 101 and get a B-, then you take ENGL& 102 and get a B-, you would then need to either retake ENGL& 101 or ENGL& 102 or take ENGL& 103 or ENGL& 235 as your third attempt, achieving a B or better to meet the requirement. If successful, that B- grade on ENGL& 101 or ENGL& 102 would be used as your non-factored English course.)

** You can substitute BIOL& 160 with BIOL& 211 (Majors Cellular) or BIOL& 222 (Introduction to Cellular & Molecular Biology). If you are a TCC student and have taken higher level Biology classes, you can contact Ken Cushman at kcushman@tacomacc.edu to arrange taking a challenge exam for BIOL& 160 credit.

*** NUTR& 101 can be used to meet this requirement.

**** See approved distribution course list in the College Catalog "Approved Distribution Course List" for a list of courses.

Admission Details



CONTACT ADVISING AT 253.566.6091, SO THEY CAN HELP YOU REVIEW YOUR COURSES, GRADES, AND TEAS SCORES TO MAKE SURE YOU MEET THE REQUIREMENTS.

Additional Requirements

Students who want to apply to the Nursing Program must do the following **before** submitting their application:

1. Complete the ATI TEAS Exam and receive at least a 70% overall score. Applicants will also need the following minimum scores in each section:
 - Reading 75%
 - Science 63%
 - Math 72%
 - English 70%.

If you don't meet all the minimum score requirements above you can retake the test to improve your score but the test cannot be taken more than twice in the year prior to the application deadline date. Test scores are valid for a four-year period.

2. Complete all *factored* courses with a minimum grade of "B" (within two attempts in a five-year period).
3. Complete all *non-factored* courses with a grade of "C" or higher.
4. Obtain a Washington State Practical Nursing license (LPN).
5. If you have not taken any courses at TCC you must complete the TCC Admissions Application to become a student at the college: <http://www.tacomacc.edu/costs-admission/admission-process/>

Note: This is not the Nursing Program Application. The program application is done in your portal after admissions to the college.

Applying to the Program

Students who have successfully completed the academic and non-academic requirements listed above are qualified to apply to the Nursing Program. Applications are carefully reviewed and those which have met the requirements will be eligible for admission to the lottery. See the next section on "Lottery" for additional details. There is one application period for the LPN to RN Program each year:

<u>Application Periods</u>	<u>Program Start</u>	<u># Students Accepted</u>
July 1 – Oct 1	Winter	24

All qualified applicants are entered into the lottery and receive 40 base points. However, additional points can be received or subtracted as indicated below. Additional points can increase your chance of being selected for entry into the program. In addition, penalty points can also be subtracted from your base score. All lottery correspondence will be done through your TCC Campus email located in the Quick Links section of your student portal.

Actions which generate additional lottery points <u>or</u> subtracts lottery points	Additional points awarded and subtracted
A grade of A- or above in BIOL& 241, 242, or 260.	10 points each
US military service.	10 points
15 or more college-level credits taken at TCC.	5 points
30 or more college-level credits taken at TCC.	10 points
Penalty for each biology retake (BIOL& 241, 242, or 260)	-5 points for each retake.

Acceptance of this Degree

Per the ICRC DTA agreement, the following Colleges/Universities have agreed to accept this degree for direct transfer into BSN programs:

- Washington State University
- University of Washington –Tacoma, Bothell
- Western Washington University
- St. Martins University
- Western Governors University
- Olympic College
- Columbia Basin College
- Bellevue College
- Wenatchee Valley College

All prerequisite courses must be completed before applying to the Nursing program. Please attend an information session. These sessions are listed on our website

<https://www.tacomacc.edu/academics-programs/programs/nursing/>.

Please visit with an advisor to review courses. You can make an appointment by calling 253-566-6091. For admissions questions please call the nursing program at 253-566-5218.