



South Central College Program Design

AS 3363/2317 Nursing ASN

Program Information

Instructional Level Associate Degree

Career Cluster Health Science Technology

Description

The **Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN)** degree prepares students for the role of a professional nurse, which includes providing safe and culturally competent care in a variety of settings. Students will develop and maintain positive, healthy relationships with patients, families, and the community as they learn to practice according to legal, ethical, and professional standards. Evidence will support care, learning, and professional development as students become advocates for quality health care.

SCC eCatalog link: [ASN](#)

Mission

Vision Statement

The South Central College (SCC) Nursing Programs will provide a supportive environment for learning which prepares students for licensure and entry into the workforce. The SCC Nursing Programs are committed to collaborative partnerships with healthcare agencies to support the nursing workforce trends and interests in our communities.

Nursing Program Mission Statement

The SCC Nursing Programs support an environment for learning which prepares competent, compassionate entry-level healthcare professionals. The SCC Nursing Programs have common beliefs and values concerning human beings, health, nursing, society and nursing education. These beliefs have a high priority for the faculty and will, therefore, have a strong influence on the Nursing Program and the manner in which it is implemented.

Target Population

Students that are fully admitted to South Central College in good academic standing and are either a qualified LPN or a nursing assistant in the Nursing Assistant Registry in the State of Minnesota (NA, R).

Students must meet all **Entry Requirements** for admission into the SCC ASN Program.

Career/Job Titles

Registered Nurse: After successful completion of the NCLEX-RN examination, the student completing the ASN program would be able to begin their career as a Registered Nurse (RN).

Accreditation Information

South Central College is accredited by the **Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association**. SCC was granted a full 10-year reaccreditation in 2010. To promote our belief in the continuous quality improvement model, SCC has membership into HLC's Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) -- one of two review processes offered by the HLC.

Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

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The **Associate of Science in Nursing** program at South Central College at North Mankato located in both North Mankato and Faribault, Minnesota is accredited by the:

Accrediting Commission for Education in Nursing

3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400 , Atlanta, Georgia 30326

Phone: (404) 975-5000 Fax: (404) 975-5020 Web: www.acenursing.org

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the **Associate of Science in Nursing** is Initial Accreditation.

South Central Nursing programs are also approved by the **Minnesota Board of Nursing (MBON)**.

External Requirements

Minnesota State Administrative Rules

6301.2340 REQUIRED CRITERIA FOR NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Maintain minimum standard on the licensure examination of greater than 75 percent for candidates from the program who, during any January 1 through December 31 period, wrote the licensing examination for the first time.

Entry Requirements

Students must be:

1. Admitted fully to South Central College.
2. Provide evidence of current Nursing Assistant Registry in the State of Minnesota (NA, R). SCC offers a Nursing Assistant course (HCTC 1886), which helps prepare students for the NA test-out.
3. Demonstrate a college "Nursing" General Education GPA of 2.7 or higher.
4. Demonstrate good academic standing at the college.
5. Provide proof of attendance from a SCC Nursing Information session offered on Faribault and North Mankato Campuses.
6. Admission Date: Application to the Nursing Program is a separate process from admission to the college. The Nursing application window is open twice a year during the fall and spring semesters.
7. For complete program information, visit the nursing website at www.southcentral.edu/programs/nurs

LPN to RN Program

If already an LPN and interested in becoming a registered nurse, the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree is an option for you. This is accomplished by applying to the **LPN to RN Transition Program** which is part of the ASN program. The LPN to RN Transition Plan grants advanced standing of seven (7) credits to

the future LPN to RN student.

Annual requirements for clinical practice:

1. Student Health Record - A short medical history and immunization status.
2. Two-Step Mantoux, negative chest x-ray, or a QuantiFERON TB Gold (TB blood titer).
3. Hepatitis B Series or immunity.
4. Tdap-last tetanus within last 10 years.
5. Varicella vaccination or immunity.
6. Influenza Vaccine by November 1st every fall semester.
7. Covid-19 Vaccination.
8. Proof of current health insurance Background Study completed and cleared.
9. Proof of current CPR certification: Current "Professional" Training in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) for all ages (*newborn through adult*); including 2-rescuer scenarios, foreign-body airway obstruction and the use of an automated external defibrillator.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- 1 Human Flourishing - Demonstrate nursing care that is client centered, culturally sensitive, and based on the holistic needs of clients and families.
- 2 Nursing Judgment - Integrate sound nursing judgment in the provision of safe, quality care.
- 3 Professional Identity - Practice professional nursing in an ethical and legal manner that integrates integrity, accountability, leadership, teamwork and collaboration.
- 4 Spirit of Inquiry - Contribute to the management of healthcare and continued quality improvement by incorporating evidence-based practice, cost containment, and current technology.

Program Configurations

Academic Plan: ASN Program

Credits

Arts & Sciences	32
Technical Course	32
Total Credits	64

Prior to starting Nursing Courses

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 220	Human Anatomy	4	Arts & Sciences

ENGL 100	Composition	4	Arts & Sciences
CHEM 108	Introduction to Chemistry	4	Arts & Sciences

Semester 1

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 230	Human Physiology	4	Arts & Sciences
PSYC 110	Lifespan Psychology	3	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2230	Semester 1 Pharmacology	2	Technical Course
NURS 2240	Semester 1 Fundamental Concepts	2	Technical Course
NURS 2250	Semester 1 Clinical Practice	2	Technical Course
NURS 2275	Semester 1 Skills Lab	2	Technical Course

Semester 2

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 240	Pathophysiology	3	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2320	Semester 2 Med-Surg Basics	3	Technical Course
NURS 2350	Semester 2 Clinical Practice	4	Technical Course
NURS 2375	Semester 2 Skills Lab and Pharmacology	2	Technical Course

Semester 3

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 270	Microbiology	4	Arts & Sciences
COMM 130	Intercultural Communication	3	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2420	Semester 3 Maternal-Child Health	2	Technical Course
NURS 2430	Semester 3 Mental Health	2	Technical Course
NURS 2455	Semester 3 Clinical Practice Specialty	3	Technical Course

Semester 4

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
PHIL 150	Medical Ethics	3	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2520	Semester 4 Leadership	1	Technical Course
NURS 2550	Semester 4 Clinical Practice	4	Technical Course
NURS 2560	Semester 4 Med Surg Advanced	3	Technical Course

Academic Plan: LPN to RN Pathway (AS 2316/3323)

Credits

Technical Course	32
Arts & Sciences	32
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Total Credits	64

Advanced Standing

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
Advanced Standing	Current LPN in "good standing" with the Minnesota Board of Nursing	7	Technical Course

Prior to Starting Nursing Courses

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 220	Human Anatomy	4	Arts & Sciences
BIOL 230	Human Physiology	4	Arts & Sciences
CHEM 108	Introduction to Chemistry	4	Arts & Sciences
COMM 130	Intercultural Communication	3	Arts & Sciences
ENGL 100	Composition	4	Arts & Sciences
PSYC 110	Lifespan Psychology	3	Arts & Sciences

Semester 1

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 240	Pathophysiology	3	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2205	LPN to RN Role Transition	3	Technical Course
NURS 2300	Professional Nursing Concepts 1	3	Technical Course

Semester 2

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
BIOL 270	Microbiology	4	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2400	Professional Nursing Concepts 2	4	Technical Course
NURS 2405	Professional Nursing Practicum 1	3	Technical Course
NURS 2415	Advanced Skills and Simulation	2	Technical Course

Semester 3

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
PHIL 150	Medical Ethics	3	Arts & Sciences
NURS 2520	Semester 4 Leadership	1	Technical Course
NURS 2500	Professional Nursing Concepts 3	4	Technical Course

NURS 2505	Professional Nursing Practicum 2	4	Technical Course
NURS 2570	ASN NCLEX Preparation	1	Technical Course

Program Course List

Number	Title	Credits	Pre/Corequisites
NURS 2205	LPN to RN Role Transition	3	Acceptance into LPN to RN Program.
NURS 2205	LPN to RN Role Transition (Copy)	3	Acceptance into LPN to RN Program.
NURS 2230	Semester 1 Pharmacology	2	Acceptance into Nursing Program is required in order to register for Nursing Courses
NURS 2240	Semester 1 Fundamental Concepts	2	Acceptance into Nursing Program is required in order to register for Nursing Courses
NURS 2240	Semester 1 Fundamental Concepts (Copy)	2	Acceptance into Nursing Program is required in order to register for Nursing Courses
NURS 2250	Semester 1 Clinical Practice	2	Acceptance into Nursing Program is required in order to register for Nursing Courses
NURS 2275	Semester 1 Skills Lab	2	Acceptance into Nursing Program is required in order to register for Nursing Courses
NURS 2300	Professional Nursing Concepts I	3	Acceptance into LPN to RN Program.
NURS 2300	Professional Nursing Concepts I (Copy)	3	Acceptance into LPN to RN Program.
NURS 2320	Semester 2 Med-Surg Basics	3	Successfully complete all Semester 1 Courses in order to advance to Semester 2 Courses
NURS 2350	Semester 2 Clinical Practice	4	Successfully complete all Semester 1 Courses in order to advance to Semester 2 Courses
NURS 2375	Semester 2 Skills Lab and Pharmacology	2	Successfully complete all Semester 1 Courses in order to advance to Semester 2 Courses
NURS 2400	Professional Nursing Concepts 2	4	Successfully complete NURS 2205 and NURS 2300. BIOL 270 successfully completed before final ASN semester.
NURS 2405	Professional Nursing Practicum 1	3	Successfully complete NURS 2200 and NURS 2300. BIOL 270 successfully completed before final ASN semester.
NURS 2415	Advanced Skills and Simulation	2	Successfully complete NURS 2205 and NURS 2300. BIOL 270 successfully completed

			before final ASN semester.
NURS 2420	Semester 3 Maternal-Child Health	2	Successfully complete all Semester 2 Courses in order to advance to Semester 3 Courses
NURS 2430	Semester 3 Mental Health	2	Successfully complete all Semester 2 Courses in order to advance to Semester 3 Courses
NURS 2455	Semester 3 Clinical Practice Specialty	3	Successfully complete all Semester 2 Courses in order to advance to Semester 3 Courses
NURS 2500	Professional Nursing Concepts 3	4	Successfully complete NURS 2400, NURS 2405, and NURS 2415. PHIL 150 successfully completed by end of final ASN semester.
NURS 2505	Professional Nursing Practicum 2	4	Successfully complete NURS 2400, NURS 2405, and NURS 2415. PHIL 150 successfully completed by end of final ASN semester.
NURS 2520	Semester 4 Leadership	1	Successfully complete all Semester 3 Courses in order to advance to Semester 4 courses
NURS 2550	Semester 4 Clinical Practice	4	Successfully complete all Semester 3 Courses in order to advance to Semester 4 Courses
NURS 2560	Semester 4 Med Surg Advanced	3	Successfully complete all Semester 3 Courses in order to advance to Semester 4 Courses
NURS 2570	ASN NCLEX Preparation	1	Successfully complete all prior semester course for ASN Program or LPN to RN Program. Be in final semester ASN Program or LPN to RN semester Program.
BIOL 220	Human Anatomy	4	Must have a Next-Generation Accuplacer Reading score of 250 or higher, or Classic Accuplacer Reading score of 78 or higher, or completion of either READ 0090 or EAP 0090 with a grade of C (2.0) or higher, or ACT Reading score of 21 or higher or MCA Reading score of 1047 or higher.
BIOL 230	Human Physiology	4	Successful completion of CHEM 108, CHEM 110 or CHEM 120 with a C or better. Successful completion of BIOL 220 with a C or better.
BIOL 240	Pathophysiology	3	Completion of Human Physiology - BIOL 230 with a grade of a C or

			better.
BIOL 270	Microbiology	4	A grade of C or higher in BIOL115 OR BIOL225 OR BIOL220 AND CHEM108 OR CHEM110 OR CHEM120
CHEM 108	Introduction to Chemistry	4	Math 0085 or a score of 75.5 or higher on the elementary algebra portion of the accuplacer test.
COMM 130	Intercultural Communication	3	
ENGL 100	Composition	4	Next-Generation Accuplacer Reading minimum score of 250 (Classic Accuplacer, minimum of 75) or completion of READ 0090 or EAP 0095 with a C (2.0) or higher.
PHIL 150	Medical Ethics	3	Must have a score of 78 or higher on the Reading portion of the Accuplacer test or completion of READ 0090 with a grade of C or higher
PSYC 110	Lifespan Psychology	3	None