

CLARION UNIVERSITY

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

ADVANCED PLACEMENT FOR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES

After admission to Clarion University's Associate of Science in Nursing program, Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) may qualify for advanced placement and may be granted based on the Pennsylvania Articulation Model. The model provides education progression for LPNs from state approved and NLNAC accredited schools to progress to the next educational program without repetition. Up to six (6) life experience credits may be granted for NURS 101, 111 and 121. **All students are required to take NURS 131.*

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- **2.75+ Cumulative GPA**
- **Grades of C or higher in Biology, Chemistry, and Algebra Pre-Requisites**
 - Courses are eligible if taken within 5 years of high school or 10 years of college.
 - Eligible courses include:
 - Basic Algebra, Intermediate Algebra, or *MATH 117 Math for Health Science (*only offered at Clarion University)
 - General Biology, Basic Biology, Microbiology, Human Biology, or Anatomy and Physiology
 - Prep Chemistry, Basic or General Chemistry, or Physical Science Chemistry
- **Proficient Level on ATI TEAS Pre-Entrance Exam**
 - Students who meet the admission criteria above with the addition of having an A in biology and a cumulative GPA of 3.8+ may request a review for an exam requirement waiver by emailing Casey McVay in Admissions at cmcvay@clarion.edu.
- **NEW! Test-Optional Policy for SAT/ACT:** Freshman applicants will be automatically considered for ASN admission regardless of a SAT or ACT test on file if they have a 2.75 GPA or higher. GPA does not automatically guarantee admission to the program.

Applicants who are not eligible for admission to ASN may be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Exploratory Health Sciences, which allows students to get started with the admission pre-requisite and general education courses for the ASN degree while working to meet the requirements above. Courses include biology, chemistry, algebra, English, math, communication, anatomy and physiology, and psychology.

LPN ADVANCED PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS/PROCESS

- **Receive offer of admission from Clarion University to Associate of Science in Nursing program**
- **"C" average or higher in Licensed Practical Nursing program**
 - Applicants who have graduated or will graduate from an accredited program and have not passed NCLEX-PN and/or completed the preadmission requirements may be admitted as undecided health sciences/pre-ASN and will be considered for admission based on routine admission procedures.
- **Send the following to Clarion University Department of Nursing:**
 - Letter of reference from director of LPN program addressing applicant's ability to successfully complete an RN program (if applicant has graduated within five years).
 - Letter from employer/employers reporting verification of hours worked. **Applicants who have not worked 1,000 hours within the past three (3) years DO NOT qualify for advanced placement.*
 - Copy of LPN licensure.
- **Take the challenge exam by June 30 and score 70% or higher.**
 - To schedule your challenge exam, contact Kyle Vickers at kvickers@clarion.edu.

Any applicant who does not meet all above criteria will not qualify for advanced placement.

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