## PENNSYLVANIA WESTERN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

## Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Advanced Placement Policy

After acceptance to PennWest's Associate of Science in Nursing program, LPNs may qualify for advance placement granted based on the Pennsylvania Articulation Model, which provides progression for LPNs from state approved and NLNAC accredited schools to the next educational program without repetition. Up to six (6) life experience credits may be granted for PennWest's NURS 1010, 1110 and 1210. \**All students are required to take NURS 1310.* 

Admitted students to the ASN program should contact the Department of Nursing to request consideration. Any applicant who has not received admission to the ASN program and does not meet all the following criteria will not qualify for advanced placement.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Acceptance to PennWest's Associate of Science in Nursing program.
- **Practical Nursing License:** Submit a copy of your PN License to the Department of Nursing, which will be verified for status and that it is unencumbered.
- **Reference Letter:** Students who graduated from a PN program within the last five (5) years are required to submit a reference letter from the program director addressing their ability to successfully complete an RN program.
- **HESI Mobility Exam:** After submission of your PN License and reference letter, if required, the Department of Nursing will provide approval to move on to the exam portion of the process. A score of 850 or higher is required.

## CONTACTS

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