Licensed Practical Nursing

- The Certificate Program in Practical Nursing addresses the need for an alternative career option in the Allied Health Sciences. The three-semester course of study at Hostos Community College provides the successful graduate, who passes the NCLEX-PN Exam, with marketable skills as a Licensed Practical Nurse within one calendar year.

- The major course content within this program is based on a practical nursing curriculum. This program supports a major focus for the College, which is the provision of both strong allied health career programs and a broad-based, liberal arts education. A unique feature of this course of study is that, unlike the traditional practical nursing programs, students are exposed to other disciplines in a collegiate setting—e.g., English and the natural, social, and behavioral sciences.

- The framework for the Certificate Program in Practical Nursing embodies basic needs, selected components of the nursing process, and the skills that are needed to practice as a member of the health care team. Students learn to deliver nursing care to patients of all age groups in a variety of settings, under the direct guidance and supervision of qualified professional nurse instructors.

Program of Study Leading to a Certificate in Licensed Practical Nursing

Semester I, Fall Term ................................................................. Credits
ENG 110 ...................................... Expository Writing .................................................. 3
BIO 230 ........................................ Anatomy & Physiology I ........................................... 4
PSY 101 ........................................ General Psychology ................................................... 3
MAT 105 ........................................ Mathematics for Allied Health Sciences ...................... 3

Total Semester Credits .......................................................... 13

Semester II, Spring Term ........................................................... Credits
BIO 240 ........................................ Anatomy & Physiology II .......................................... 4
BLS 150 .......................................... Ethnicity Health and Illness ........................................ 3
PSY 110 .......................................... Lifespan Development of Behavior ............................. 3

Total Semester Credits .......................................................... 10

CLINICAL COURSE SEQUENCE

Semester III, FALL Term ...... Credits
NUR 110 ......................................... Clinical Nursing I .................................................. 6
NUR 111 ......................................... Pharmacology I .................................................... 2
NUR 112 ......................................... Maternal / Child ................................................... 2

Total Semester Credits ........................................................... 10

Semester IV, SPRING Term... Credits
NUR 120 ......................................... Clinical Nursing II .................................................. 8.5
BIO 310 ......................................... Microbiology .......................................................... 4

Total Semester Credits .......................................................... 12.5
Total General Education Credits ............................................... 27.0
Total Nursing Credits ............................................................. 18.5
Requirements for the Transition from LPN to A.A.S. RN Program
The transition from LPN to the A.A.S. RN program is another career option for Licensed Practical Nurses. The transition course is open to any Licensed Practical Nurse who fulfills the following criteria:

1. Successful completion of an accredited, practical nursing program.
2. Passed the NCLEX-PN Examination.
3. Completed MAT 105 and CHE 105.
4. Passed the NLN Mobility I Profile Examination prior to NUR 200.
5. Have a GPA of at least 2.5 to enter and progress through the nursing program.
6. Completion of all RN pre-requisites.
7. Passed the ACT Reading, Writing and Math examinations.
8. Have passed the MATH – Compass examination and placed in MATH 105.
9. COMPLETION OF Nursing Transitions course (NUR 200).

Note: If not a graduate of Hostos' Certificate Program in Licensed Practical Nursing or a CUNY certificate-bearing Practical Nursing Program, the candidate must meet the entrance requirements as outlined in the Student Handbook.

Curriculum for the LPN Graduate Transition to A.A.S. RN Program

Semester I........................................................................................................................................ Credits
NUR 200.............................................................. Nursing Transitions................................................................. 2
ENG 111.............................................................. Literature and Composition ................................................. 3
SOC 101.............................................................. Introduction to Sociology .................................................... 3
Total Semester Credits............................................................ 8

Semester II........................................................................................................................................ Credits
NUR 227.............................................................. Nursing Care of the Childrearing Family I ................................ 3
NUR 228.............................................................. Nursing Care of the Childrearing Family II ................................ 3
NUR 220.............................................................. Pharmacology ................................................................. 3
Total Semester Credits............................................................ 9

Semester III........................................................................................................................................ Credits
NUR 316.............................................................. Nursing Care of the Client with Mental Illness......................... 3
NUR 317.............................................................. Nursing Care of the Adult I ................................................. 6
HLT 215.............................................................. Nutrition ....................................................................... 3
Total Semester Credits............................................................ 12

Semester IV........................................................................................................................................ Credits
NUR 320.............................................................. Nursing Trends & Issues....................................................... 3
NUR 326.............................................................. Nursing Care of the Adult II ................................................. 7
Total Semester Credits............................................................ 10