

# Associate Degree in Nursing Paramedic/LPN-RN Programs Information Packet

Prospective Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Stark State College Associate Degree in Nursing Program. This packet will provide you with information pertaining to the Nursing Program and the admissions process. Please note, all information is subject to change as needed to assure a high-quality program.

The nursing curriculum at Stark State College can be quite rigorous; that is why it's important to prioritize your education and ensuring your support system is on board to help you achieve your goals. Throughout the program, you will learn from instructors with a minimum Master's degree in Nursing, and many of whom still work in the field. Our dedication to meeting each students' educational needs and professional goals is our top priority.

If you have questions specific to your situation, please contact the academic advisor listed on your MAP, in MySSC, or The Gateway Center for assistance.

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## **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The RN Completion for Paramedic and LPN programs are 3 semesters following the completion of admission required courses.

- RN Completion for LPN Cohort Main Campus (Fall admission)
- RN Completion for LPN Cohort Akron Campus (Spring admission)
- RN Completion for Paramedic Cohort Main Campus (Fall admission)

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All students applying to the ADN program must complete the following prior to applying:

#### **COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE:**

Follow the procedure for applying to Stark State College (SSC). See procedures on the SSC website under Admissions (<u>http://www.starkstate.edu/admissions</u>). All students must be accepted to Stark State College prior to applying to the ADN program.

#### NURSING PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

#### **GPA** REQUIREMENT:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA in Required Nursing Support Courses listed (ENG124, PSY121, MTH124, and BIO121) AND minimum of 2.5 overall GPA
- Students with <u>></u> 6 months of recent LPN/Paramedic practice AND a letter of recommendation from current director/supervisor will be accepted with a 2.75 GPA in Required Nursing Support Courses (ENG124, PSY121, MTH124, and BIO121) AND a minimum of 2.5 overall GPA
- Transfer students' overall GPA requirement: minimum GPA of 2.5 in seven (7) hours or more of course work at the last college you attended.

#### ADMISSION REQUIRED NURSING SUPPORT COURSES:

- LPN to RN and Paramedic to RN Cohorts: ENG124, PSY121, MTH124, and BIO121
  - ♣ Must achieve grade of C or above in these courses for admission.

#### **TEAS ENTRANCE EXAM:**

- All students applying to the ADN program are required to successfully complete the TEAS test prior to submitting their application. For information on the TEAS follow this link
- The minimum score accepted is **58.7%.** You can take the test twice within a calendar year and must wait a minimum of 60 days to retake the test if you wish to improve your scores.
- The test is written on a high school level and covers Math, Science, Reading, and English/Language. Study guides are available in the Stark State Bookstore and at www.atitesting.com.
- Nursing Program will accept TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) test scores for up to three (3) years from the date of the exam.

#### BACKGROUND CHECK:

- You must obtain a background check from Stark State Security. They require you to make an appointment and results may take up to 45 days to return.
- The cost is \$70 and can be paid at the Cashier's Office on the 3rd floor of the Student Services Building.
- Once you receive your results, submit the EMAIL stating your eligibility status along with your

application and TEAS test results to the Nursing Department.

 To schedule your background check, follow this\_link: <u>https://www.starkstate.edu/admissions/background-checks-for-health-programs/</u>

## ADN ACCEPTANCE

- Students may only apply to **ONE** cohort.
- Acceptance into all programs is based on a points system comprised of your GPA, TEAS test scores, and completed pre-requisite classes. <u>See page 8</u> for the Selective Admission Worksheet. Students with the top scores in their applied cohort will be offered a seat in the program. The minimum score is determined by the number of qualified applications received,
- <u>There is no waiting list</u>. Qualified re-applicants will receive two (2) additional points toward their overall score if they reapply within two years.

# SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Completed applications should be uploaded to Blackboard using the following link: <u>https://blackboard.starkstate.edu/ultra/organizations/\_42943\_1/cl/outline</u>. If a student does not have access to Blackboard, please forward all to Linda Moore at <u>Imoore@starkstate.edu</u>.

- 1. AAS Nursing Application\*
- 2. TEAS test scores with each section listed (make sure your name is visible) \*
- 3. Submit the Background Eligibility Status letter (the email from SSC Security stating eligibility; not the actual background check—just the email) \*

#### ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- LPN to RN applicants must provide a copy of their LPN license from the Ohio Lookup website.
- Paramedic to RN applicants must provide a copy of their paramedic certification.

#### APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED WITHOUT AN ELIGIBILITY LETTER FROM SECURITY AND / OR TEAS RESULTS OR APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

#### **DEADLINE:**

**March 31<sup>st</sup> for Fall** consideration & **October 31<sup>st</sup> for Spring** (LPN Akron) consideration. Applicants can expect to receive an email regarding their status by the beginning of May for fall admission and mid-November for spring admission.

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

### Health Data Requirement Checklist Link

- Due to community healthcare facility policies, all nursing students will be required to show proof of health requirements prior to clinical experiences, A list of health requirements is included in the link above for your convenience, as some require planning.
- Students are discouraged from obtaining these requirements prior to receiving an acceptance offer for the ADN program. Please pay special attention to the dates, as the earliest that some can be completed is mid-May. This is due to early expiration and will ensure the requirements remain up-to-date for the entirety of the spring and fall semesters. Health requirements will be discussed in more detail at the new student orientation session, which will be announced following acceptance into the program.
- Note: Some students cannot be vaccinated because of identified medical exemptions, medical deferments or religious accommodations and may be exempted or deferred from receiving the vaccine. If you believe you should be exempt from this vaccine for any of these reasons, please

reach out to the Program Coordinator/Clinical Coordinator to receive a copy of the exemption/deferral forms.

## **RN COMPLETION FOR LPN / PARAMEDIC PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

#### ADMISSION REQUIRED NURSING SUPPORT COURSES

- Please review the attached Curriculum sheet. These are all of the courses required to complete the ADN program and <u>the items listed in the Pre-</u><u>Nursing column of the attached Curriculum Sheet</u><u>must be completed prior to applying to the program</u>.
  - MTH124: Statistics
  - BIO121: Anatomy and Physiology I
    - BIO123 may be accepted in place of BIO121
    - If you have Biology questions specific to your situation, you may contact the department chair of Biology, Edmund Priddis, at epriddis@starkstate.edu.
  - PSY121: General Psychology
  - ENG124: College Composition

#### CLASS/LAB/CLINICAL TIMES:

Class and lab are one day a week plus one full day of clinical.

- Day class and lab are one day a week. Times can begin as early as 7:30am and run as late as 5pm. Clinical times are typically 7am-4pm one additional day each week.
- Evening/Weekend classes (LPN to RN Akron only) are one day a week from 4pm-10pm; clinical is Saturday and Sunday of every other weekend, 7am-4pm.

\*Days and times are subject to change due to clinical facility availability.

#### **SELECTIVE ADMISSION:**

- LPN to RN
  - 4 24 students accepted
  - 4 3 semesters
  - Fall admission at Main Campus (Day)
  - Spring admission at Akron Campus (Evening/Weekend)
- Paramedic to RN (Day)
  - 4 24 students accepted
  - 4 3 semesters
  - Fall admission at Main Campus

# RN COMPLETION FOR LPN / PARAMEDIC CURRICULUM PLAN

Pre-Nursing	Semester 1		Semester 2	Semester 3	
All pre-nursing courses must	t All Semester 1 classes must be		All Semester 2 classes must be	All program classes must be	
be completed prior to	completed before moving on to		completed before moving on to	completed to meet	
applying to the ADN	Semester 2.		Semester 3.	graduation requirements.	
program.					
MTH 124	NSG 122	NSG 123	NSG 221	NSG 261	
Statistics	Transition for	Transition for	Concepts of Nursing Practice in	Concepts of Nursing	
	the Paramedic	the LPN	the Care of the Reproducing and		
	(Paramedic to	(LPN to RN only)	Developing Family	Patients Across the	
	RN only)			Lifespan with Complex	
				Conditions	
3 credits	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits	9 credits	
BIO 121	NSG 101		NSG 241	SOC 121	
Anatomy &	Clinical Reasoning in Current		Concepts of Nursing Practice in	Sociology	
Physiology I	Nursing Practicethe Care of Adult Patients withStable and Unstable Acute				
			Conditions		
4 credits	2 credits		5 credits	3 credits	
PSY 121	NSG 141		PSY 123		
General	Concepts of Nurs	ing Practice in	Human Growth &		
Psychology	the Care of Patie	•	Development		
,	Illness Issues				
3 credits	3 credits		3 credits		
ENG 124	BIO 122		BIO 221		
College	Anatomy & Physiology II		Principles of Microbiology		
Composition I					
3 credits	4 credits		4 credits		
13	13		16	12	

**Total Credits: 54** 

# **RN COMPLETION FOR LPN / PARAMEDIC PROJECTED COST SHEET**

COST ITEM	Program Cost (First Two Semesters)	Program Cost (Last Semesters)	Costs Payable to Sources other than SSC
BCI/FBI Background Check	\$140.00/year	\$70.00/year	
Pre-Admission Exam (TEAS Test)			\$70.00
Liability Insurance	\$15.00/year	\$15.00/year	
Lab Supplies, Stethoscope, Blood Pressure Cuff, Nursing Books and Digital Learning Resources, and NCLEX Review (Virtual & Live)	\$2045.00*	\$1600*	
Health Requirements (physical, immunizations, drug screen, BLS Certification) See <u>Health</u> <u>Requirements Checklist</u>			Approx. \$600.00 (Insurance may coversome expenses)
ACEMAPP Health Record Management	\$85.00/year	\$50.00/year	
Student ID Badges	\$25.00		
Clinical Make-up Fee			\$250.00/day
Uniforms (ex. 2 scrub pants; 2 tops; 1 warm-up; 2 patches)	\$160.00*		
Graduation Expenses BCI/FBI Background Check OBN License Application NCLEX License Application Nursing Pin			\$70.00 \$200.00 \$25.00 \$45.00
Tuition (\$199.60/hr.)	26 credits = \$5,189.60	28 Credits = \$5,588.80	
Estimated Subtotal	\$7,649.60	\$7,323.80	
ESTIMATED TOTALS	\$14,9	\$1305.00	

\* This estimate of program costs is based on prices as of Fall 2024 and is subject to change.

Access Nursing Application

# SELECTIVE ADMISSIONS WORKSHEET

GPA	POINTS		
2.500-3.000	1		
3.001-3.199	2		
3.200-3.399	3		
3.400-3.599	4		
3.600-3.799	5		
3.800-3.999	6		
4.000	7		
Total			

Course	Grade of A	Grade of B	Grade of C	Total
SSC101	0	0	0	
BIO101/BIO121	4	3	1	
MTH124	3	2	1	
ENG124	3	2	0	
PSY121	2	1	0	
			Total	

TEAS TEST	Score	Points	Score	Points	Score	Points	TOTAL
Overall	58.7% 77.9%	0	78.0% 90.6%	2	90.7% +	4	
Reading	69.0% 83.2%	1	83.3% 95.1%	2	95.2% +	3	
Math	63.3% 86.6%	1	86.7% 96.6%	2	96.7% +	3	
Science	45.8% 66.6%	1	66.7% 81.2%	2	81.3% +	3	
English/Language	60.0% 79.9%	1	80.0% 93.2%	2	93.3% +	3	

Total

<b>Combine Totals</b>
Qualified re-applicants add
two points (+2)
Certified CNA or STNA
applicants add
three points (+3)

\*\* inclusion of letter from director/supervisor

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Steps to take REQUIREMENTS OF ALL APPLICANTS	<ol> <li>Follow the procedure for applying to Stark State College (SSC). See procedures on the SSC website under Admissions (http://www.starkstate.edu/admissions)</li> <li>Meet with Admissions Counselor and complete admission required nursing support courses</li> <li>Successfully complete <u>TEAS Test link here</u></li> <li>Contact SSC Security to schedule BCI and FBI background check <u>https://www.starkstate.edu/about/security/background-check-information/</u></li> <li>Complete application link_ and submit to Blackboard</li> <li>Acceptance to Stark State <u>http://www.starkstate.edu/admissions</u> Minimum 3.0 GPA in admission required nursing support courses MTH124; BIO121; PSY121; and ENG124</li> <li>Of 2.75 GPA in admission required nursing support courses MTH124; BIO121; PSY121; and ENG124</li> <li>and overall minimum 2.5 GPA with ≥ 6 months recent full-time experience and letter of good standing from current director/supervisor</li> <li>Minimum 58.7% TEAS Test Score</li> <li>Background Check from SSC</li> </ol>
LPN TO RN AND PARAMEDIC TO RN	Security         Paramedic to RN— Begins Fall semester at Main Campus; 24 students accepted         LPN to RN Main—Begins Fall semester at Main Campus; 24 students accepted         LPN to RN Akron—Begins Spring semester at Akron Campus; 24 students accepted         Admission Required Courses:         • MTH124; BIO121; PSY121; and ENG124         Deadline: March 31 of each year for Fall consideration; October 31 for Spring consideration.
DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT	<ul> <li>All Applicants <ol> <li>Selective Admissions Application</li> <li>TEAS test scores with each section listed (make sure your name isvisible)</li> <li>Email from SSC Security stating eligibility (not the actual background check—just the email)</li> </ol> </li> <li>Additional Items <ul> <li>LPN to RN applicants must provide a copy of their LPN license from the Ohio Lookup website</li> <li>Paramedic to RN applicants must provide a copy of their paramediccertification.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Completed applications should be uploaded to Blackboard using the following link: <ul> <li>https://blackboard.starkstate.edu/ultra/organizations/ 42943 1/cl/outline. If you do not have access to Blackboard, please forward all of your documents to Linda Moore at LMoore@starkstate.edu Students will be notified via Stark State email of their status no more than one month after the deadline.</li> <li>APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED WITHOUT AN ELIGIBILITY LETTER FROM SECURITY AND/OR TEAS RESULTS OR APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.</li> </ul></li></ul>