

The Treasure Valley Community College LPN to RN Bridge program is restricted entry and applicants to the program must meet certain criteria before their application will be considered. Applicants are selected through a point-based system. Currently, the program admits up to eight (8) students every year starting in the Winter term. Additionally, after an applicant is admitted and before entering the 2ndth term (winter term, first year as a part-time student) of the curriculum, they must complete 30 credits of nursing courses with “C” grades or higher (see Prerequisite coursework section)

Questions? Talk with an academic advisor <https://tvcc.cc/advising/index.cfm>

Requirements to Apply

To be eligible to apply for admission, applicants must meet the requirements described below by the application deadline of **October 15 by 4pm**. Classes in progress do not count toward prerequisites or points. (If the due date lands on weekend applications will be accepted till 4pm on Monday.

1. Prerequisite coursework

- All prerequisites must be passed with a “C” grade or higher. “Pass” or “Satisfactory” grades will be considered as a “C” grade. To meet the minimum GPA requirement, applicants need at least a 3.0 GPA (“B” average) in the prerequisite courses.

Pre-Nursing Courses	Cr.
Communication Skills	
WR 121- English Composition	4
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Computation Skills	
MATH 95 – Intermediate Algebra I or higher	5
Human Relations	
PSYC 201 – General Psychology	3
PSYC 237 – Seasons of Life	4
Science:	
BIOL 101 – General Biology	4
(BIOL 101 pre-req: for BIOL 231 at TVCC)	
CHEM 104 – Survey of Chemistry (Health)	4
(CHEM 104 pre-req; for BIOL 231 at TVCC)	
BIOL 231 – Human Anatomy and Physiology	4
BIOL 232 – Human Anatomy and Physiology	4
BIOL 233 – Human Anatomy and Physiology	4
BIOL 234 – Microbiology with Lab	4
FNUTT 225 - Nutrition	4
Total	48

These prerequisites must be current within the last 5 years (If your science courses are older than 5 years, please contact the Executive Director of Nursing):

2. Licensed LPN or Military Medic Corpsman documentation

- LPN applications must submit a current, unencumbered LPN license.
- Military medic or corpsman applicants must submit their Joint Service Transcript showing all courses approved by the American Council of Education and documentation of Military Experience and Training and a summary record of active-duty medical work experience and certificates. A military DD214 must be submitted with documentation. These documents will be reviewed by the Dean of Nursing.

How to apply to the LPN to RN Bridge Nursing program

If you meet the requirements to apply in the section above, then you may apply to the program by completing these steps:

Step 1: [Apply for General Admission](#) if you are new to TVCC.

Step 2: Include a non-refundable application fee of \$50.00. Make Money Order payable to Treasure Valley Community College.

Step 3: Send unofficial college transcripts from all institutions where pre-requisite courses have been taken (including TVCC) with your application.

Step 4: Send official (unopened) college transcripts be sent to TVCC Registrar registrar@tvcc.cc

Step 5: Submit completed application to the Nursing Program Coordinator:

TVCC LPN to RN Bridge Department, Tech Lab – Ontario campus
 Attn. Rachel Grace, LPN to RN Bridge Program Coordinator
 650 College Blvd.
 Ontario, OR 97914

Program Curriculum

Winter:	Credits
NRS 120 – Pharmacology I	3
Spring:	
NRS - Transitions LPN to RN	3
NRS 130 – Pharmacology II	3
Year 2	
Fall:	
NRS 200 – Medical Surgical II	9
Winter:	
NRS 215 – Community and Mental Health	9
Spring:	
NRS 224 – Integrative Practicum I	5
NRS 225 – Integrative Practicum - Lab	4
Total	36

Applicants who meet the minimum requirements to apply and have all required transcripts on file will be awarded points according to the point system below for the admission cycle. TVCC will not consider courses, degrees or pending certifications for points which are not completed by the application deadline.

Point Delineation	Maximum Points
<p>LPN to RN Bridge Pre-Requisite GPA (25 points) GPA scores are not rounded up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.0-3.19 = 15 • 3.2-3.39 = 17.5 • 3.4-3.59 = 20 • 3.6-3.79 = 22.5 • 3.8- 4.00 = 25 	<p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">out of 25 points</p>
<p>Local Academic metrics (20 points) (All repeated science courses will have an <u>averaged GPA</u>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having all LPN to RN Bridge prerequisites completed (refer to TVCC LPN to RN Bridge Advising Worksheet) = 8 points • _____ • A grade of a “B” or better in ALL Anatomy and Physiology, Biology (BIOL) classes (BIOL 231, BIOL 232, and BIOL 233, BIOL 234) Or equivalent = 7 points _____ • 2 courses within Anatomy and Physiology Series (BIOL 231, BIOL 232 or BIOL 233) or equivalent complete = 3 points _____ or Completion of BIOLOGY Series = 5 points ____ 	<p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">out of 20 points</p>
<p>Individual Life Experiences and Attributes (25 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Resident _____ City, State _____ Reside in Malheur County = 7 points, or Reside in <i>Frontier Eastern Oregon</i> = 5 points (defined as counties with 6 or fewer people per square mile), OR Reside within 35 driving miles of TVCC Ontario Campus = 5 points • LPN direct patient hours • >400 practice hours = 10 points 300-399 practice hours = 8 points 200-299 practice hours = 6 points 100-199 practice hours = 5 points 0-99 practice hours = 4 points • Health care experience without a certification = 3 points • Medical Terminology I GSCI 161 = 2 point • Medical Terminology II GSCI 162= 2 point • Veteran or a spouse of a Veteran or active Military Personnel = 2 points • Volunteerism/Community Service Volunteer experience must have been completed in the <u>last 5 years</u> Paid experience is not considered “volunteer experience” Mandatory volunteerism/community service is not considered A relative cannot serve as a supervisor, verify hours, or provide the reference letter >70 hours = 2 points 69-24 hours = 1 point 	<p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">out of 25 points</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">GPA:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">TOTAL Points out of 70:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">_____</p>

Acceptance to the LPN to RN Bridge program

1. Immunizations

Accepted students must submit proof of the following immunizations by the stated deadline:

- Immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella (chicken pox)
- 2 step PPD Skin Test or TB Gold test (if either test is positive they will need a chest x-ray report)
- Tetanus-Diphtheria-PertussisToxioid within the last 10 years
- Hepatitis B — The series must be started by the stated deadline and can be completed during the first quarter of the program.

2. Current CPR Card

Each accepted and alternate student must provide a current American Heart Association BLS/CPR for the provider card.

3. Criminal Background Check

If accepted into the Nursing program, your acceptance will be provisional until you pass a national criminal background check which is conducted through a national standardized tracking system the Nursing program has a contract with. Information for accessing the system will be available to students once they have been accepted into the Nursing program. (Please note: The accepted applicant pays for the background check, and the background check process requires a social security number.)

4. Drug Screen

All admitted students are required to complete a Drug Screen prior to starting the nursing courses. Please note, this drug screening may also check for prescription drugs that contain amphetamines, barbiturates, opioids, benzodiazepines and marijuana. If you are taking any prescribed medication that may contain these drugs you will need to meet with the program director before completing the drug screen.

Accepted nursing students must complete all general education credits by the end of Fall term. Official transcripts must be submitted, and all application standards must be maintained, or acceptance to the Nursing program will be revoked.

Demands of the Program

It is important to understand the mental and physical demands of the nursing program and the career of the nurse. Please read through the Technical Standards before applying. Applicants to the Nursing program must be able to cope with the rigors of the curriculum and the demanding nature of the health professions with or without reasonable accommodations. Nursing students must be able to grasp scientific concepts, set up and answer basic math and algebra problems, and communicate well verbally and in writing.

Professional Licensing

Successful completion of the Nursing program allows the student to apply for authorization to take the NCLEX-RN exam. Professional licensure is granted by the Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN), who by statutory authority, has rules limiting eligibility of licensure. Some of these limits include lack of a social security number, a major physical or mental condition that could affect the applicant's ability to practice nursing safely and/or if an applicant has been arrested, charged, or convicted of a criminal offense that bears a demonstrable relationship to the practice of nursing. Contact OSBN for more information at

<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayDivisionRules.action?selectedDivision=1626>