

# ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING LPN-RN Bridge

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#### Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN), LPN-RN Bridge program at Snow College. We take pride in offering one of the best nursing programs and are confident in the quality of education we provide to our students. The ASN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

Acceptance to the ASN program is based on a point system and completing all ASN requirements. Potential students must complete an electronic application to be considered. The application is available online at snow.edu/nursing during the application acceptance dates which are listed below. Please review the directions outlined in the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge Application Instructions before starting your application.

Admission Semester	Application acceptance dates
Fall	January 1 <sup>st</sup> – March 1 <sup>st</sup>
Spring	July 1 <sup>st</sup> – September 1 <sup>st</sup>

Your application, transcripts, evaluations, and other required documents must be received within the application acceptance dates for your application to be considered. It is your responsibility to ensure that your application is complete and submitted on time. Applications are reviewed and scored appropriately. Applicants will be notified of their final class placement via their Snow College email approximately 4 weeks after the final application acceptance date. Applicants accepted into the ASN program will begin school on the first day of the Snow College semester.

Classes are held at the Snow College Richfield Campus and Ephraim West Campus. Six students are accepted each semester. Campus assignments are determined by the points each candidate receives as well as the availability at each campus. Students are assigned to their first choice of campus based on their points. Once a campus is full, the remaining students are assigned to their second choice. Our caring instructors use live instruction and video conferencing between the Richfield and Ephraim campus, allowing students to participate in all lectures and discussions.

Students enrolled in the ASN program are required to travel as part of their studies. They will periodically meet on one campus for class activities and labs. In addition, students will travel to various clinical sites. It is the student's responsibility to arrange and cover all travel expenses while participating in the ASN program.

We are here to help you achieve your goal of becoming an RN. If you have any questions or need help with your application, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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#### ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING MISSION STATEMENT

The mission statement for the Associate of Science in Nursing program is threefold:

- 1. To educate students in the registered nurse role to be competent, caring nurses.
- 2. Inspire students to commit to innovative lifelong learning.
- 3. Encourage students to serve the community and the patients they care for.

Core Theme #1: Tradition of Excellence

Goal: Nursing staff will educate students in the history of nursing and the advances of medicine that will empower students to achieve RN licensure and job placement in the medical field.

Core Theme #2: Culture of Innovation

Goal: Nursing Staff will encourage students to use innovative initiatives that will encourage critical thinking and a desire for life-long learning.

Core Theme #3: Atmosphere of Engagement

Goal: Nursing staff will create opportunities locally or globally, to engage students in service to the surrounding community and their patients.

#### NURSING DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

The mission statement for the Snow College Nursing Department is threefold:

- 1. To educate students for health care fields.
- 2. To inspire them to love learning.
- 3. To lead them to serve others.

Through quality instruction, the Nursing Department will also facilitate the development of integrity, responsibility, the need of life-long learning, and community services as health care providers.

# ASN, LPN-RN BRIDGE REQUIREMENTS

**Pre-application requirements:** Must be completed before your application is submitted.

- Cumulative College GPA of 3.0 or higher. Applicants with a cumulative college GPA between 2.80 to 2.99, with two-years LPN work experience, can also apply to the program.
- Completed one of the following:
  - 1. Math 0850, 1010, or higher math course passed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better.
  - 2. ALEKS PPL score of 30 or above.

**Prerequisite courses:** Must be completed before the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program begins.

BIOL 2320, 2325
 BIOL 2420, 2425
 Human Anatomy, Human Anatomy lab
 Human Physiology, Human Physiology lab

CHEM 1110,1115
 Elementary Chemistry, Elementary Chemistry lab

■ ENGL 1010 Exposition

Current, Utah LPN license.

All prerequisite courses must be completed with a minimum grade of "C" for the ASN degree. Prerequisite courses are limited to a total of three attempts, for any one course, to achieve the "C" grade or above, including transfer courses. Applicants, who have taken a prerequisite course more than three times, will not be considered for admission to the ASN program.

**Co-requisite courses:** Must be completed by the end of the ASN year.

■ PSY 1010 or HFST 1500\* General Psychology or Human Development

ENGL 2010 Intermediate Research Writing
 MATH 1040\*\* Introduction to Statistics

**GE requirements:** Must be completed by the end of the ASN year.

Humanities

Fine Arts

American Institution

LPN Nursing Courses:\*\*\* Completed from an accredited LPN program before the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program begins.

**Suggested courses:** Highly recommended but not required.

NURS 1101 Drug Dosages & Calculations

BIOL 2060 or 2200 Introductory or General Microbiology

BIOL 2650 Pathophysiology

HFST1020 Foundations of Nutrition

PSY 1010 or HFST 1500\* General Psychology or Human Development

NURS 1000 Medical Terminology

GNST 1100 Introduction to Civic Engagement and Service-Learning

#### Please meet with a Snow College Academic Advisor to ensure all requirements for an ASN degree will be met.

All prerequisite and co-requisite courses must be completed with a minimum grade of "C" for the ASN degree. We follow Snow College's grade requirement for the GE courses.

Co-requisite and suggested courses, completed with a minimum grade of "B-", may be given points in the application process.

\*PSY 1010 or HFST 1500 is required for the ASN degree. If the additional course is completed, you may receive points in the application process.

\*\* Associate degrees require a quantitative literacy course, i.e. MATH 1030 or higher; however, students transferring to a BSN or higher nursing program may need MATH 1040.

\*\*\*The LPN Nursing GPA will be determined from all nursing courses completed. A "B-" (2.7) grade will be used for any LPN courses that are not complete by the application deadline. Students with a grade lower than a B- must show at least part-time experience working as an LPN for a minimum of one year.

For more information regarding prerequisite courses, you can contact Student Success. The above courses may be taken at any accredited college or university; official transcripts are required to determine how courses will transfer to Snow College.

# ASN, LPN-RN BRIDGE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications will be available at www.snow.edu/nursing during the application acceptance dates.

Application acceptance dates are as follows:

Admission Semester	Application acceptance dates
Fall	January 1 <sup>st</sup> – March 1 <sup>st</sup>
Spring	July 1 <sup>st</sup> – September 1 <sup>st</sup>

The application must be completed in one sitting. You will not be able to save your application and complete it at a later time. The below information is required and must be completed and received within the application acceptance dates to be considered for the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program.

#### ☐ Apply to Snow College

Your Badger ID and Snow College email are required for your application. Correspondence from the Nursing Department, including final class placement, will go to your Snow College email.

# ☐ Nursing Application fee of \$25.00, non-refundable

The Nursing Application fee can be paid on the website at https://payment.snow.edu/nursing during the application acceptance dates. If you are having problems paying your fee online, please contact the Snow College Cashier's Office. Richfield 435-893-2249 or Ephraim 435-283-7296. Upload your receipt in a PDF format with your application.

#### ☐ Current, Utah LPN license

Upload your LPN license in a PDF format with your application.

#### ☐ IV Certification

Upload your IV Certification with your application.

#### ☐ Two Evaluations

Please provide your Evaluators' names and their correct email addresses. Evaluators can be previous or current employers or a teacher. Friends or relatives will not be accepted. Evaluation forms will automatically be sent via email to your Evaluators when you submit your application. Please inform your Evaluators of the forthcoming email.

#### ☐ Essay questions

- o Why do you want to go into the nursing profession?
- o How do you define integrity?
- o Describe a time when you worked as part of a highly diverse team. Give an example.
- o Describe how you would handle conflict with another person. Give an example.

Writing skills are evaluated on how well each question is answered based on thoroughness, logic, clarity, insight, and on the proper use of the English language including grammar, spelling, and vocabulary use. The length for each question should be a minimum of six sentences, preferably 12. Please provide examples. For your convenience, you may want to complete the essay questions in a Word document, then cut and paste them into the online application.

#### ☐ Scholarship - Optional

Those interested in applying for a Nursing Scholarship will need to write a brief description of your financial needs, specify the area of nursing you wish to pursue, as well as your future goals in nursing.

#### ☐ Official transcripts.

Send official transcripts to Snow College from **ALL** colleges/universities you have attended. Snow College transcripts will not need to be sent.

Any documents that need to be uploaded with your application will need to be saved as a PDF on the computer you will use to complete your application. We strongly recommend using a computer instead of a tablet or phone to complete your application. All submitted documents become the property of Snow College and will not be returned. You can contact Melissa Blackner to see if she has received your documents.

#### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Additional documents will be required for those accepted into the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program. Further information will be included in the Welcome Letter that will be sent to those accepted. Complete admission to the Snow College nursing program is contingent upon submission of satisfactory results of the following:

- 1. Proof of current immunizations:
  - Tdap: within the last 8 years
  - MMR: 2 doses or proof of immunity through a blood test.
  - Varicella: 2 doses or proof of immunity through a blood test.
  - Hepatitis B: 2-3 doses, depending on vaccine, or blood test with reactive result
  - TB: (one of the following)
  - negative 2-step TB tests
  - negative QuantiFERON TB blood test
  - chest x-ray with normal results
  - Current, flu shot (September through October). This will be required yearly.
  - Covid: If you have received the Covid vaccine, please provide documentation. If there is an increase in Covid cases you will be required to follow the facilities' protocol and if you are unvaccinated it may hinder your ability to attend clinicals.
- 2. Drug screen
- 3. Background check
- 4. Physical examination. This will be required yearly.
- 5. BLS/CPR Card: To participate in the ASN program, you must maintain a current BLS/CPR card that meets the healthcare requirement. We only accept American Heart Association: **Healthcare Professional, BLS** or American Red Cross: **BLS/CPR for Healthcare.**

Snow College provides Healthcare BLS/CPR training. For more information go to www.snow.edu/sbdc. Contact Melissa if you have questions regarding your BLS/CPR course and if it meets the requirement.

Immunizations that require two doses require at least a 4-week waiting period between doses. We strongly encourage you to start your immunizations ASAP.

The Snow College Nursing Department reserves the right to request additional background checks and drug screenings for students enrolled in the nursing program. Admission to the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program may be denied based on the results from the background or drug screen or if the required documentation is not turned in on time.

Admission Semester	Documentation due
Fall	July 1 <sup>st</sup>
Spring	December 1 <sup>st</sup>

Documentation for the above requirements must be provided to the office manager by the date listed above. You will be invited to a MedDocs Portal where you can upload your documents. All application material becomes the property of Snow College and will not be returned to the applicant.

#### **New Student Orientation**

The New Student Orientation for the ASN program is mandatory for students to attend. If you are not able to attend, you will forfeit your position in the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program. Orientation dates will be provided upon acceptance to the ASN, LPN-RN Bridge program. Approximate dates will be two weeks before classes start fall semester and the Monday or Tuesday before classes start spring semester. Please plan accordingly.

# ASN, LPN-RN BRIDGE CANDIDATE SELECTION POINT SHEET

Criteria		Points Possible
Cumulative GPA (Transcrip	pts from all colleges/universities you have attended).	5
3.70  to  4.0 = 5  pts.	3.3  to  3.69 = 3  pts. $3.0  to  3.29 = 1  pts.$ Below $3.0 = 0  pts.$	
Living in the Snow College	e Service Area (Sevier, Piute, Wayne, Sanpete, Millard, and Juab Counties).	2
Being a former Snow Colle	ege LPN student	1
Being on the previous alter	rnate list	2
complete nursing application, t	plication cycle with a complete and qualified application (This includes: a two evaluations, all transcripts received, nursing application fee paid, and all prepleted. All information needs to be received within the application acceptance dates.)	1
Prerequisite GPA		49
-	BIOL 2320, BIOL 2420, CHEM 1110, ENGL 1010	
A = 10	A = 8.5 $B = 5.5$ $B = 4$	
	BIOL 2325, BIOL 2425, CHEM 1115	
A = 3	A-=2.5 $B+=2$ $B=1.5$ $B-=1$	
LPN Nursing GPA		49
4.0 = 49 3.	3.3 - 3.69 = 34 $3.0 - 3.29 = 26.5$ $2.7 - 2.99 = 19$	
*Co-requisite/Suggested C	Courses	
NURS 1101	Drug Dosages & Calculations for Healthcare Professionals	3
*PSY 1010 or HFST 1	1500 General Psychology or Human Development	2
BIOL 2650	Pathophysiology	2
BIOL 2060 or 2200	Introductory or General Microbiology	2
PSY 1010 or HFST 15	General Psychology or Human Development (if completed in addition to the co-requisite requirement)	2
*Math 1030/1040/105		1
*ENGL 2010	Intermediate Research Writing	1
HFST 1020	Scientific Foundations of Nutrition	1
NURS 1000	Introduction to Medical Terminology	1
GNST 1100	Introduction to Civic Engagement and Service-Learning	1
Points for co	o-requisite and suggested courses will be given depending on the final grade received.  Courses lower than a B- will not receive any points.	
Certified Nursing Assistant (C Certified Medical Assistant (C Emergency Medical Technicia		14
	plication and Two Evaluations  be given based on writing skills such as grammar, spelling, vocabulary usage, and the guage.	20

159

**Maximum Total Points Possible** 

# SUGGESTED COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE ASN, LPN-RN BRIDGE PROGRAM

Pre-Application Requirements: Current, Utah LPN license, Math 0850, 1010, or higher math, or equivalent, Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher; GPA of 2.90 to 2.99 with two-years LPN work experience

Prerequisite Courses		
Course		Credit
BIOL 2320-2325	Human Anatomy with Lab	4
BIOL 2420/2425	Human Physiology with Lab	4
CHEM 1110/1115	Elementary Chemistry with Lab	5
ENGL 1010	Expository Composition	3
Current, Utah LPN Licens	se	

Credits 16

LPN Licensure		
Course		Credit
	LPN Nursing Courses	22

Credits 22

1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Course		
Course		Credit
NURS 2140	Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing	2
NURS 2145	Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing Lab	1
NURS 2240	Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing Clinical	3
NURS 2160	Advanced Pharmacology	2
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Research	3
PSY 1010 or HFST 1500	General Psychology or Human Development	3
GE Course *	General Education Course	3

Credits 17

2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Course		
Course		Credit
NURS 2170	Transition to Professional Nursing	2
NURS 2180	Nursing Capstone Course	2
NURS 2280	Nursing Capstone Clinicals	3
Math 1030/1040**/1050	Introduction to Statistics	3
GE Course *	General Education Course	3
GE Course *	General Education Course	3

Credits 16

<sup>\*</sup> GE Requirements: American Institutions, Fine Arts, and Humanities. Three (3) credits each.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Associate Degrees require a qualitative literacy course, i.e. Math 1030 or higher; however, students transferring to a BSN or higher nursing program may need Math 1040.

# ASN, LPN-RN BRIDGE COURSE SCHEDULE

1 <sup>st</sup> SEMESTER			
NURS 2140	Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing		2
NURS 2145	Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing Lab		1
NURS 2240	Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing Clinical		3
NURS 2160	Advanced Pharmacology		2
		Total credits:	8
2 <sup>nd</sup> SEMESTER			
NURS 2170	Transition to Professional Nursing		2
NURS 2180	Nursing Capstone Course		2
NURS 2280	Nursing Capstone Clinicals		3
		Total credits:	7

The Snow College ASN program is a very rigorous, time-intensive program. ASN courses are taken as cohorts; students must register for all nursing courses offered each semester. All ASN courses must be passed with a minimum grade of "B-" to continue in the ASN program. Students are expected to attend all classes, labs, and clinical assignments as scheduled. Clinical sites are located in Central Utah.

See Snow College fee table for information on tuition and fee costs. Additional fees may be associated with individual nursing courses. To apply for Financial Aid: www.fafsa.ed.gov or call: (435)283-7129.

# ASN, LPN-RN BRIDGE ELECTRONIC APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- Badger ID#:
- Last, First, Middle Name:
- Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)
- Former Names or aliases:
- Home Phone/Celle Phone Number:
- E-mail address:
- Snow College E-mail. This is required!
- Permanent Address:
- Mailing Address:
- What city do you plan to live in while attending school?
- Emergency Contact Information: Name, phone number, relation
- Choice of Campus:
- Applied to Snow College:
- Applied to Snow College's Nursing Program: Year:
- List all colleges/universities you have attended:
- List any prerequisite courses you are currently enrolled in and when you expect to complete them:
- Health Related education/employment:
- Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor/felony:
- Acknowledgement of ASN Program Requirements: (read and initial)
- Student Nurse Physical Demands: (read and initial)
- Essays questions:
  - Why do you want to go into the nursing profession?
  - o How do you define integrity?
  - o Describe a time when you worked as part of a highly diverse team. Give an example.
  - o Describe how you would handle conflict with another person. Give an example.
- List: Extracurricular activities, awards/honors, scholarships, Student Government or similar experiences
- Upload: LPN certificate, IV certificate, application receipt, and any other documents you choose
- Name and email address of two evaluators.
- Scholarship: (optional) write a brief description of your financial needs, specify the area of nursing you wish to pursue, as well as your future goals in nursing,