Nursing, AAS

Program Description

The Utah Tech University (Utah Tech) associate of applied science degree in nursing (AASN) program has two options: the Paramedic to RN bridge program and the the licensed practical nurse (LPN) to RN bridge program. Each option offers a path toward an associate degree (AAS) and registered nursing licensure. Currently, 24-36 students are admitted each fall and spring semester.

After graduation, students are eligible to take the National Council of State Boards of Nursing licensure exam (NCLEX-RN) to become a licensed registered nurse. In addition, students may continue their nursing education in Utah Techs online RN-BSN program.

Accreditation

The associate degree in nursing program at Utah Tech has been accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) since 2004.

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Admission Requirements

Admission Criteria for the Paramedic to RN Program:

1. Unencumbered Utah or National Paramedic Registry Certification.
2. All pre-requisite and general education courses must be completed prior to beginning the nursing program.
3. All pre-requisite and general education courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher.
4. Minimum GPA of 3.0 for core paramedic courses.
5. If graduation was more than three years ago, paramedics must have 1000 hours documented paramedic work experience within the last three year

Admission Criteria for the LPN to RN Program:

1. Unencumbered LPN License in Utah.
2. All pre-requisite courses must be completed prior to beginning the nursing program.
3. All pre-requisite courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher (general education courses must be completed prior to beginning the nursing program. Applicants may apply while completing prerequisite courses but they must all be completed before the start of the program.)
4. All pre-requisite and general education courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher.
5. If graduation was more than three years ago, LPN's must have 1000 hours documented LPN work experience within the last three years.
6. All applicants must take the HESI A2 Exam within the last 12 months from the time of application

Program Requirements

64-68 credits

Code	Title	Hours
Prerequisite Requirements:		
Paramedic License or LPN License		20
BIOL 2320	Human Anatomy [1]	3
BIOL 2420	Human Physiology [2]	3

CHEM 1150	Integrated Chemistry for Health Sciences (PS) [3]	4
or CHEM 1110	Elementary General/Organic Chemistry (PS)	
ENGL 1010	Introduction to Writing (EN)	3
PSY 1100	Human Development Through Lifespan (SS, GC) (make this a co-req)	3
or FSHD 1500	Human Development Lifespan (SS, GC)	
MATH 1030	Quantitative Reasoning (MA) [4]	3-4
or MATH 1040	Introduction to Statistics (MA)	
or MATH 1050	College Algebra / Pre-Calculus (MA)	
ENGL 2010	Interm Writing Selected Topics: (EN)	3

[1]   BIOL 2325 is a co-requisite to BIOL 2320 but is not required for program admission.
[2]   BIOL 2425 is a co-requisite to BIOL 2420 but is not required for program admission.
[3]   CHEM 1155 and CHEM 1115 are co-requisite to CHEM 1150 and CHEM 1110 respectively, but neither is required for program admission. If students plan to advance to graduate level nursing programs, you should complete CHEM 1110.
[4]   MATH 1040 is highly recommended if you plan to advance to a graduate level nursing program.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Nursing Requirements		
NURS 2450	Nursing Pharmacology Concepts I	3
NURS 2500	Health & Illness Concepts II	5
NURS 2700	Health & Illness Concepts III	5
NURS 2501	Health & Illness Concepts II Clinical	1.5
NURS 2701	Health and Illness Concepts III Clinical	2
NURS 2750	Concept Synthesis	2
NURS 2503R	Health & Illness Concepts II Simulation	0.5
ENGL 2010	Interm Writing Selected Topics: (EN) (Must complete during the first semester of the nursing program)	3

Select one of following tracks:

Code	Title	Hours
Paramedic to RN Track		
NURS 2020	Paramedic to RN Transition Course	2
NURS 2025	Paramedic to RN Nursing Skills Lab	1

Code	Title	Hours
LPN to RN Track		
NURS 2030	LPN to RN Transition Course	2
NURS 2035	LPN to RN Nursing Skills Lab	1

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 64-68 college-level credits (1000 and above).
2. Complete at least 20 semester hours of credits at Utah Tech for institutional residency.
3. Minimum cumulative GPA 2.0.
4. Grade C or higher in each General Education, Program Prerequisite, and Core Discipline Requirement course.

Graduation Plan

Code	Title	Hours
1st Year		
Spring Semester		
LPN or Paramedic License		20
ENGL 1010	Introduction to Writing (EN)	3
or ENGL 1010D	Introduction to Writing (EN)	

FSHD 1500	Human Development Lifespan (SS, GC)	3
or PSY 1100	Human Development Through Lifespan (SS, GC)	
MATH 1030	Quantitative Reasoning (MA)	3-4
or MATH 1040	Introduction to Statistics (MA)	
or MATH 1050	College Algebra / Pre-Calculus (MA)	
BIOL 2320 & BIOL 2325	Human Anatomy and Human Anatomy Lab (May be taken previously)	5
Summer Semester		
ENGL 2010	Interm Writing Selected Topics: (EN)	3
CHEM 1150 & CHEM 1155	Integrated Chemistry for Health Sciences (PS) and Integrated Chemistry for Health Sciences Laboratory (LAB)	5
BIOL 2420 & BIOL 2425	Human Physiology and Human Physiology Lab (May be taken previously)	4
Fall Semester		
NURS 2020	Paramedic to RN Transition Course	2
or NURS 2030	LPN to RN Transition Course	
NURS 2025	Paramedic to RN Nursing Skills Lab	1
or NURS 2035	LPN to RN Nursing Skills Lab	
NURS 2450	Nursing Pharmacology Concepts I	3
NURS 2500	Health & Illness Concepts II	5
NURS 2501	Health & Illness Concepts II Clinical	2
2nd Year		
Spring Semester		
NURS 2700	Health & Illness Concepts III	5
NURS 2701	Health and Illness Concepts III Clinical	2
NURS 2750	Concept Synthesis	2
Total Credits		**68**

AAS Nursing Program Learning Outcomes

At the successful conclusion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Person-Centered Care: Demonstrate holistic, individualized care.
2. Clinical Judgment: Determine the best possible evidence-based solutions in order to deliver safe care.
3. Communication: Communicate effectively with appropriate individuals while providing care.
4. Compassionate Care: Provide empathetic, individualized care.
5. Professionalism: Comply with legal and ethical standards of nursing.