College of Lake County

Associate Degree in Nursing

Prospective Student Information

The ADN program is accredited by ACEN and approved by the IDFPR.

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Nursing Education Information
Nursing Website
http://www.clcillinois.edu/programs/nur

Nursing Education Office

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Email: nuroffice@clcillinois.edu
Office hours: 8:00-4:30 Monday through Friday
Nursing Screening Requirements

➢ Complete a Student Information Form

• Student Admission Form
  ▪ for students new to CLC
  ▪ http://www.clcillinois.edu/admission/become-a-student/new

• Current students may update their information at:
  ▪ http://www.clcillinois.edu/student-services/student-records/student-records-forms
Meet College Reading and Writing and Algebra Readiness

- All applicants who plan to enroll in credit classes need to provide evidence of
  - College Reading and Writing Readiness
  - Basic Algebra Readiness

- Readiness can be met in a variety of ways – see the Prerequisite link on the Admissions web page for details. Submit proof to the Welcome and One Stop Center prior to enrolling in credit classes.
Submit OFFICIAL transcripts

• Submit US Official High School and College transcripts with graduation date to the Welcome and One Stop Center
  ▪ A transcript evaluation form must be submitted to transfer credits from another college
  ▪ College transcripts must be evaluated prior to making an advising appointment
  ▪ For LPNs only: If you have graduated from a non-state approved nursing program, you may not be granted course transfer credit.

• Admissions 847-543-2061
• Counseling 847-543-2060
International Transcript Evaluations

International transcripts will not be evaluated; you must contact a NACES approved evaluator for evaluation for foreign coursework, and have the official evaluation sent to the Registrar and Records department. The evaluation must be a **Catalog Match** evaluation in order to be considered for transfer credit. The following companies offer catalog match evaluation services:

Educational Perspectives, nfp.
http://www.edperspective.org/

International Academic Credential Evaluators, Inc.
http://www.iacei.net/
 Attend a Nursing Education Information Session

Be sure to have signed in!

• If you do not have a CLC ID – Please email your CLC ID to the Nursing Education office as soon as you know it: nuroffice@clcillinois.edu

• STILL SIGN IN! - If you do not sign in you will not get credit!

• Must attend within the 2 years prior to applying to the program
Complete Required Courses

- Chemistry: CHM 120 *Chemical Concepts* at CLC or an equivalent chemistry course with a “C” or better grade

- Biology: BIO 123 *Principles of Biology* AND BIO 244 *Anatomy & Physiology I* at CLC or equivalent courses with a “C” or better grade
  - BIO 123 is a prerequisite for BIO 244

Note: BIO 123 and CHM 120 have a Math prerequisite which may be met in a variety of ways. Discuss the options with an academic advisor.
Transferring in courses from another college:

- Submit an official transcript to the Office of Registrar and Records

- Complete Transfer Credit Evaluation Request form:
  - [http://dept.clcillinois.edu/adr/EvaluRequest.pdf](http://dept.clcillinois.edu/adr/EvaluRequest.pdf)

- Allow 4-6 weeks for transcript to be evaluated

- Meet with an advisor
Be a Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) on the Illinois Healthcare Worker Registry

• May be obtained by taking NUR 110
• Prerequisites for enrolling in NUR 110:
  ▪ Submit Background Check Authorization Form to Nursing Education office
  ▪ Submit receipt for fingerprinting to Nursing Education office
  ▪ Satisfy requirements of the CLC Health Center
  ▪ Satisfy Reading requirement

(See Nurse Assisting Fact Sheet)

http://dept.clcillinois.edu/nur/NAFactSheet.pdf

Note: Illinois Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) also satisfies this requirement
Basic Nursing Assistant Requirements for Fall 2020 only

- Students who are enrolled in NUR 110 in the Fall 2020 term would be allowed to meet the screening requirements for the Nursing AAS cohort starting in Spring 2021. Admission to the program would be conditional, and contingent upon successful completion of NUR 110 in the Fall term with a grade of "C" or better. In order to satisfy admission requirements, students must demonstrate proof of being on the Illinois Health Care Worker Registry latest by December 22, 2020.

- Students who screen and are conditionally admitted but do not successfully pass NUR 110 or are not on the Illinois Health Care Worker Registry by December 22, 2020 will forfeit their seat in the program.

- Please note that the aforementioned change is temporary and only applies to the cohort screening for the Spring 2021 and has been made in light of disruption of NUR 110 offerings in summer 2020.
➢ Take the NLN Pre-Admission Exam (PAX)

• Meet minimum acceptable scores:
  ▪ Composite RN Percentile Rank of 60
  ▪ RN Percentile Rank of 50 in each category:
    Math, Science, Verbal
Registration date and time deadlines are in effect for each test and must be followed

NLN PAX results must not be older than 3 years at the time of screening

To retake the exam, you must wait a minimum of 90 days between exams

If you take the PAX online or at another school, you must call NLN at 1-800-732-8656 and request that the results be emailed to nur-admissions@clcillinois.edu
How Can I Prepare for the NLN Pre-Admission Exam?

• Please access the
• NLN Official Study Guide for Pre-Admission Exam (PAX) Both RN and PN/VN Applicants
• [www.nln.org/testing](http://www.nln.org/testing) services
• NLN PAX FAQs
- Have a cumulative CLC GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Be at least 18 years of age
Submit a “Request for Screening” to the Welcome and One Stop Center
(may be faxed or emailed)
http://dept.clcillinois.edu/adr/NUR_ScreeningForm.pdf

• All documents must be in the Welcome and One Stop Center by the end of business hours on the screening deadline day.

• Screening Deadlines are the fourth Wednesday in February and fourth Wednesday in September each year.
Screening Notes

• Students **may not** screen while taking a requirement course.

• All transcripts, NLN scores and the screening request form need to be on file in the Welcome and One Stop Center by the deadline.

• All requirements must be completed with the acceptable grade prior to the screening deadline to be considered for admission to the nursing program.

• The applicant is responsible for ensuring that all requirements are met and all documents are on file in the Admissions and Recruitment office.

• Materials submitted after the deadline will not be accepted for screening.
Program Admission

- In-District qualified candidates are ranked by the PAX composite RN percentile score
- Students are offered a seat proceeding from the highest ranked scores
- 45 students are accepted each semester
- First semester (NUR133) registration is on a first come, first served basis
*Program Notification*

Students will be sent a pending notification of admission status via CLC Student Email six to eight weeks after the screening deadline.

The student will be directed on next steps in the email communication.
*Program Notification*

What If an Applicant Does Not Get In?

Students not admitted for the current semester will need to complete a new screening form for the next screening deadline.

Or consider a career in another Health Science:

- Health Information Technology
- Medical Assisting
- Medical Imaging
- Phlebotomy
- Surgical Technology
Program Requirements

• General Education requirements must also be met before graduation

• Several courses are prerequisites for nursing courses and should be completed as early as possible to avoid scheduling conflicts (i.e. BIO 245 and 246 before NUR 134)

• NURSING courses take a minimum of 2 years
Additional Program Information

• Health requirements need to be met upon acceptance to the nursing program.
• Review the nursing web page for specific health requirements.
• Contact the CLC Health Center for additional information (847-543-2064).
Additional Program Requirements

- Students accepted into the program must meet the Technical Performance Standards (Sensory, mobility, communication, behavior and critical thinking) [Listed in current college catalog]
Technical Performance Standards

http://dept.clcillinois.edu/pub/catalog/career/nur.pdf
Additional Program Requirements

- All students will undergo a criminal background check and urine drug screen upon acceptance and yearly thereafter.

- Some clinical agencies may require the student to sign consent forms to release the outcome of their drug screen and background check.
Nursing Program Time Commitment

• There is a significant time commitment once enrolled in the nursing courses.

• Nursing courses include classroom lecture, skills labs, and clinical at local health care facilities.

• Preparation includes independent practice time in the lab as well as clinical preparation time.

• The total time commitment ranges from 24-54 hours per week depending upon the course.

• Please make sure that you are prepared to make this commitment when you enter the nursing program.
Time Commitment

- Example NUR 133 (8 credits) for one week
  - 5 class hours
  - 2 lab hours
  - 5 clinical hours
- 12 hours total
- 2-3 Prep hours for each hour in class
- Total approximately 24-36 hours per week, plus travel
Estimated Program Expenses

• Variable tuition is in effect for nursing courses and is slightly higher than other courses at CLC. Student will pay $55.00 more per credit hour for nursing courses only (35 credits).

• 2020-2021 Tuition
  $125 + $22 comprehensive fee = $147 per credit hour for non-nursing courses
  ▪ Plus $55 per credit hour variable tuition = $202 per credit hour for all nursing courses.

*Subject to change each school year
Nursing Courses

1st Semester – NUR 133 Foundational Concepts of Nursing Practice
2nd Semester – NUR 134 Medical Surgical Nursing
3rd Semester – NUR 232 Mental Health Nursing and NUR 233 Family-Centered Nursing Care
4th Semester – NUR 234 Complex Medical, Surgical and Leadership Nursing

General Education Requirements

ENG 121 English Composition I
PSY 121 Introduction to Psychology – prerequisite for PSY 220
CMM 121 Fundamentals of Speech
  or 123 Dynamics of Small Groups Discussion
  or 128 Interviewing Practices

Humanities or Fine Arts Elective

Additional Required Coursework

CMM 127 Intercultural Communication
  or ANT 221 Cultural Anthropology
  or ANT 228 Cross-Cultural Relationships
BIO 245 Anatomy & Physiology II – prerequisite for NUR 134
BIO 246 Microbiology – prerequisite for NUR 134
PSY 220 Lifespan Development – prerequisite for NUR 233
Additional Program Information

Students who complete the Nursing degree at CLC are eligible to sit for the NCLEX exam to obtain a nursing license.
Additional Program Information
(Disclaimer)

- Students are not guaranteed the right to work upon graduation. It is the student’s responsibility to determine work requirements of the state in which they wish to work.

- Employers will require that prospective employees prove that they are legally eligible to work. The College is not responsible for the time, cost, and effort expended by students who complete a program of study but are ineligible for employment upon graduation.
Additional Program Information (Disclaimer)

- Certain **Criminal History Records** may prevent a student from qualifying for the RN license.
- Visit the following website for more information:
Additional Program Information

**Financial Aid** – 847/543-2062

**Scholarships** – CLC Foundation – 847/543-2091

**Students with Disabilities** - Office for Students with Disabilities for accommodations – 847/543-2474
CLC Partnership with ISU to offer dual enrollment: ADN & BSN

- Dual-enrollment/Pathways options – students are enrolled at CLC and ISU
- ISU courses are offered online
- Students can choose:
  - Dual Enrollment: Take classes towards BSN during ADN program
  - Pathways: Take classes towards BSN after ADN degree is awarded (up to 2 years)
RN to BSN Completion

• CLC has transfer agreements with 9 Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs
  ❖ Illinois State University
  ❖ Indiana Wesleyan University
  ❖ Loyola University
  ❖ Northern Illinois University
  ❖ Olivet Nazarene University
  ❖ Purdue University – Northwest
  ❖ University of Illinois (UIC)
  ❖ University of St. Francis
  ❖ University of Wisconsin – Green Bay

• http://dept.clcillinois.edu/nur/BSN_TransferInfo.pdf
Nursing Job Outlook & Salary

U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK

Registered Nurses

Summary

Quick Facts: Registered Nurses

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What Registered Nurses Do

Registered nurses (RNs) provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions.

Work Environment

Registered nurses work in hospitals, physicians’ offices, home healthcare services, and nursing care facilities. Others work in outpatient clinics and schools, or serve in the military.
Nursing Job Outlook & Salary

Employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 12 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations. Growth will occur for a number of reasons.

Demand for healthcare services will increase because of the aging population, given that older people typically have more medical problems than younger people. Nurses also will be needed to educate and care for patients with various chronic conditions, such as arthritis, dementia, diabetes, and obesity.

The financial pressure on hospitals to discharge patients as soon as possible may result in more people being admitted to long-term care facilities and outpatient care centers, and greater need for healthcare at home. Job growth is expected in facilities that provide long-term rehabilitation for stroke and head injury patients, and in facilities that treat people with Alzheimer’s disease. In addition, because many older people prefer to be treated at home or in residential care facilities, registered nurses will be in demand in those settings.

Growth is also expected to be faster than average in outpatient care centers, where patients do not stay overnight, such as those which provide same-day chemotherapy, rehabilitation, and surgery. In addition, an increased number of procedures, as well as more sophisticated procedures previously done only in hospitals, are being performed in ambulatory care settings and physicians’ offices.
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• Education for chronic conditions
• Hospitals discharging patients as soon as possible – admitted to long-term care facilities & outpatient centers
• Long-term rehabilitation centers
• More outpatient centers
Prospective Nursing Student Information Packet

http://dept.clcillinois.edu/nur/ProspectiveNursingStudentInfoPacket.pdf
Questions

Make sure you complete the Verification of Attendance at the Virtual Nursing Program Information Meeting and remember to fill-in the meeting code.

Please email the completed form to the Nursing Education Office at:

nuroffice@clcillinois.edu