HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
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LPN TO RN PATHWAY SEQUENCE
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (AA) DEGREE
Health Sciences Pathway – Program Code #350C

Program Planner 2025-2026

PRE- AND CO-REQUISITE COURSEWORK

Course Number	General Education Core	Term/Planning Notes	Credits	Pre- / Co-Requisites
BIOL-107 *or* BIOL-200	Fundamentals of Microbiology *or* Microbiology	Completed within 10 years of the first clinical course	4	Prerequisite
BIOL-203	Anatomy and Physiology I	Completed within 5 years of the first clinical course	4	Prerequisite
**BIOL-204	Anatomy and Physiology II	Completed within 5 years of the first clinical course	4	Prerequisite
**CHEM-103 *or* CHEM-101	Fundamentals of General Chemistry *or* Inorganic Chemistry I	Completed within 10 years of the first clinical course	4	Prerequisite
Math Core: MATH-132 *or* MATH-138 *or* MATH-141	Math Core: Topics in Mathematical Literacy *or* Statistics *or* College Algebra *or* higher		3-5	Prerequisite
ENGL-121	College Composition		3	Prerequisite
PSYC-101	General Psychology		3	Prerequisite
PSYC-200	Life Span Development		3	Prerequisite
SOCI-101	Introduction to Sociology		3	*Co-requisite of NURS-242
COMM-101* *or* COMM-105* *or* COMM-110*	Speech Requirement	*Or approved substitute; General Education Core requirements vary depending on student's catalog year (see an admissions coach for details)	3	*Co-requisite of NURS-242
HUMN-101*	Introduction to Humanities	*Or approved substitute; General Education Core requirements vary depending on student's catalog year (see an admissions coach for details)	3	*Co-requisite of NURS-244

Although not required, it is recommended that co-requisites are completed prior to enrollment into clinical courses.
***CHEM or BIOL-204 can be used as a fourth science requirement.**

CLINICAL COURSEWORK

Course Number	Course	Credits	Term
NURS-124	LPN Transition Concepts *(Day option only)*	6	Summer
NURS-242	Concepts of Nursing 2	6	Fall
NURS-243	Concepts of Nursing 3	3	Fall
NURS-244	Concepts of Nursing 4	8	Spring
NURS-245	Preparation for Professional Nursing Practice	1	Spring
Total Program Credits		61-63	

**As of Fall 2022, ALL students are required to show proof of health insurance. HCC does not provide or sponsor health insurance for students.

Nursing Readmission Policy:
Students who are not successful in their nursing courses and who do not progress in accordance with both the sequence and the timeframe as designated in the course catalog, will not be able to progress through the Nurse Education Program. Readmission is based on seat availability and it is highly unlikely that a seat will be available for readmission. Please note that a student may be readmitted only once to the Nurse Education Program.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- If not already an accepted student to Howard Community College (HCC), please submit HCC's online application for admission, Apply for Credit Programs. Select the LPN Pathway Sequence area of study, as well as the program code—08C.
- Submit official college transcript(s) and Transcript Evaluation Request Form, if transferring courses from other academic institution/s.
- Submit the LPN Pathway Sequence Supplemental Application with one-time fee of $25 and two documents verifying residency (*Howard County residents only*). **The online application for Summer admission may be found at your application account between September 15 and February 15.**
- Submit proof of an active, unencumbered Maryland or compact state LPN license.
- All pre- and co-requisite courses must be completed with a 'C' or higher unless otherwise stated.
- The LPN-RN Mobility Exam must be passed with a 750 or 70% by the deadline stated on the application. Scores are valid for two years.
- A cumulative HCC GPA **of 2.0 or higher is required.**
- **Please note:** NURS-124 is offered only as a day option course. Upon completion of the transition course, students will select a schedule option (day or evening/weekend) for the remainder of their clinical nursing courses.

SELECTION OF STUDENTS:

- Randomized digital lottery systems are held whenever the number of qualified new applicants exceeds the number of available seats.
- **Priority is given to applicants with pre- and co-requisites completed by application deadline.**
- **Official transcripts with final fall and/or winter grades must be received by March 1.**
- Within the lottery, students are selected in the following order:
  1. Howard County residents
  2. In-state, out-of-county residents
  3. Out-of-state residents
- Applicants' names are randomly selected, and each qualified applicant is offered a seat or assigned a waitlist number based upon order of selection.
- As seats become available, waitlisted students will be admitted into the program.
- A waitlist will be maintained but will not roll over to the next year. Students on the waitlist who do not receive a seat will need to submit a new supplemental application during the next application period.

QUESTIONS:

Admissions email: admissions@howardcc.edu or visit the Office of Admissions located in the RCF Building.

PLEASE NOTE:

A Drug Screening and Criminal Background Check will be required prior to enrollment in any nursing/allied health clinical course in order to ensure the safety of patients in the clinical setting. Students who do not comply with the drug screening and criminal background check are ineligible for placement in clinical agencies and therefore are not able to progress in the clinical nursing/allied health program. Students with a criminal background may be unable to progress in the clinical nursing/allied health program. It is the students' responsibility to know whether they are eligible for licensure. If a student has a criminal background, it is the students' responsibility to explore whether the background will prohibit them from being licensed and employed in the health care industry. HCC faculty and staff are NOT able to provide legal advice. If you have any questions about your existing criminal background, you may wish to discuss this with legal counsel.

The college reserves the right to change unilaterally, without notification, any requirement, fee or program if it is deemed necessary.