

Articulation and Educational Mobility

The IECC/OCC Nursing Program supports the concept of articulation and educational mobility. The IECC/Olney Central College Associate in Applied Science in Nursing degree program participates in the statewide articulation initiative. The program is approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, website at www.idfpr.illinois.gov, and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), which is located at 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326; 404/975-5000, website: www.acenursing.org. The Practical Nurse (PN) exit is approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

Practical Nurse Exit Option

Students have the educational mobility option of completing first year summer courses and exiting at the PN level or continuing into the second year to complete studies to become an RN.

Successful completion of NUR 1201, NUR 1202, NUR 1203, and NUR 1206 along with all required first-year general education courses, is required for students to apply for the PN National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-PN).

Licensed Practical Nurses

Current IECC Practical Nursing Certificate students will continue to the second year of the Associate Degree in Nursing program. If there will be three or more years between the completion of the Practical Nursing Certificate program and entry into the Associate Degree in Nursing program, the student must meet the following criteria:

1. Unencumbered licensure as a practical nurse.
2. Employment as a licensed practical nurse with documentation of at least 2,000 hours of work from the time of completion of the Practical Nursing Certificate program.

Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) who graduated from schools other than Illinois Eastern Community Colleges and IECC LPNs who graduated three or more years prior to application, may articulate into the second year for RN preparation after successful completion of bridge course NUR 1204.

Successful completion of NUR 1201 and NUR 1202, (or a valid LPN license), NUR 2201, NUR 2202, and NUR 2205, along with all required general education courses, is required for students to apply for the RN licensure.

A continuing student must complete the RN program within five (5) years of successful completion of NUR 1201.

A maximum of one-year academic absence is allowed between the last semester successfully completed and any exit course (NUR 1203 and NUR 2202).

Transfer Students

Transfer students who meet curriculum criteria may be

granted advanced placement to enter NUR 1202 or NUR 2201. Prior to entering the advanced placement course, the student must successfully complete NUR 1205. Generic students who have had an academic absence of two or more years, who are readmitted beyond NUR 1201, must complete NUR 1205 prior to re-entering nursing courses.

Fees

Nursing tuition, fees, and program requirements are provided in the application packet as well as the student handbook and are subject to change. Nursing students will be required to pay fees for testing as mandated by the IECC Board of Trustees.

Conduct and Health

In addition to meeting the Nursing program requirements for admission, a student's conduct and health status must also meet the standards of the clinical agencies.

Except for those who are IECC Nursing students enrolled in consecutive years of the two-year Nursing program, applicants to the second year must supply all the information required for the first year. In addition, licensed practical nurses must submit a valid unencumbered LPN license.

The Nursing program must comply with Illinois law and college policy; therefore, requirements are subject to change.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING (NUR D350)

| First Year First Semester | | | Credit Hours |
|----------------------------------|------|---|---------------------|
| LSC | 2111 | Human Anatomy & Physiology I ¹ | 4 |
| NUR | 1201 | Nursing I ³ | 10 |
| PSY | 1101 | General Psychology I ^{1,2} | <u>3</u> |
| Semester Total | | | 17 |

| First Year Second Semester | | | Credit Hours |
|-----------------------------------|------|--|---------------------|
| ENG | 1111 | Composition I ¹ | 3 |
| LSC | 2112 | Human Anatomy & Physiology II ¹ | 4 |
| NUR | 1202 | Nursing II ³ | 10 |
| PSY | 2109 | Human Growth & Development ¹ | <u>3</u> |
| Semester Total | | | 20 |

| Second Year First Semester | | | Credit Hours |
|-----------------------------------|------|--|---------------------|
| LSC | 2110 | General Microbiology ¹ | 4 |
| NUR | 2201 | Nursing III ³ | 10 |
| SOC | 2101 | Principles of Sociology ^{1,2} | <u>3</u> |
| Semester Total | | | 17 |

| Second Year Second Semester | | | Credit Hours |
|------------------------------------|------|---|---------------------|
| ENG | 1121 | Composition & Analysis ¹ | 3 |
| NUR | 2202 | Nursing IV ³ | 10 |
| NUR | 2205 | Registered Nurse Review Course ³ | 2 |
| SPE | 1101 | Fundamentals of Effective Speaking ¹ | <u>3</u> |
| Semester Total | | | 18 |

| Total Credit Hours | | | 72 |
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