

NURSING — Practical Nursing Certificate

The Practical Nursing Certificate program is approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing. For information about Michigan requirements for eligibility for nurse licensure visit http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27542--,00.html.

Upon successful completion of all Nursing coursework, the graduate will receive a Certificate in Practical Nursing and will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Exam for the Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN).

Employment opportunities include acute care hospitals, long-term acute care and extended care facilities, clinics, offices, home health and ambulatory care. Graduates may be eligible to continue to pursue a license as a Registered Nurse with the LPN to RN program track. The nursing department and academic counselors will assist students with degree advancement pathways.

Applications are accepted during April 1 - 15, 2024 for a start date during the Fall 2024 semester. The college has implemented a holistic admission review for entry into the nursing program.

Students must have all of the prerequisites successfully completed by the end of the winter semester to be eligible to apply in April.

Getting Started

1. If you are a:
 - a. New student - first submit a free, general application online to Kalamazoo Valley Community College at kvcc.edu/apply and select "Health Sciences General Studies – Nursing" as your program choice.
 - b. Current Valley student - if needed, have your program code updated by contacting an academic counselor. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required if you've taken courses at Kalamazoo Valley before.
2. Provide the Admissions, Registration & Records Office with all official college transcripts, if applicable. Be sure to verify their arrival and that you are awarded the required credit to meet prerequisites.
3. Schedule an appointment with an academic counselor or advisor by calling 269.488.4040 to develop a course plan. This is a critical step to complete early in your admission process. Kalamazoo Valley counselors must determine equivalency for non-Kalamazoo Valley courses.
4. Complete the following prerequisite requirements by:
 - a. Taking and completing Kalamazoo Valley courses successfully (grades of 2.0 or higher), and/or
 - b. Using transfer credit from other colleges when equivalent to the courses listed below.

Recommended Full-Time Course Sequence for Required Prerequisite Courses:

BIO 115 (Human Anatomy & Physiology I – 4 credits/6 contact hrs)

ENG 110 (College Writing I – 3 credits/contact hrs)

MATH 100* (Health Careers Math – 1 credit/contact hr)

*NO substitutions for Math 100 credit are acceptable

PSY 150 (Introductory Psychology – 3 credits/contact hrs)

HCR 116 (Medical Terminology – 1 credit/ contact hr)

Total Credit/Contact Hours: 12 credits / 14 contact hours

Practical Nurse Certificate Program Outline

Pre-requisites 1 semester **Credit hours: 12** **Contact hours: 14**

BIO 115 – Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4 credit/ 6 contact hrs)
ENG 110 – College Writing I (3 credit/ contact hrs)
MATH 100 – Health Careers Math (1 credit/ contact hr)
PSY 150 – Introductory Psychology (3 credit/ contact hrs)
HCR 116 – Medical Terminology (1 credit/ contact hr)

1st semester **Credit hours 13** **Contact hours: 23**

BIO 215 – Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4 credit/ 6 contact hrs)
LPN 101 - Foundations LPN (4 credit/ contact hrs)
LPN 103 - Foundations LPN Practice (4 credit/ 12 contact hrs)
LPN 108 - Psychosocial LPN (1 credit/ contact hr)

2nd semester **Credit hours: 11** **Contact hours: 21**

LPN 131 - Adult LPN I (3 credit/ contact hrs)
LPN 133 - Adult LPN Practice I (4 credit/ 12 contact hrs)
LPN 141 - Maternal/Child LPN (2 credit/ contact hrs)
LPN 143 - Maternal/Child LPN Practice (1 credit/ 3 contact hrs)
LPN 148 - Pharmacotherapeutics LPN I (1 credit/ contact hr)

3rd semester **Credit hours: 9** **Contact hours: 15.5**

LPN 151 - Adult LPN II (3 credit/ contact hrs)
LPN 153 - Adult LPN Practice II (3 credit/ 9 contact hrs)
LPN 158 - Pharmacotherapeutics LPN II (2 credit/ 2.5 contact hrs)
LPN 189 - Transition to LPN Practice (1 credit/ contact hr)

Program Total **Credit Hours: 33** **Contact Hours: 59.5**

Program Grand Total **Credit Hours: 45** **Contact Hours: 73.5**

Kalamazoo Valley Community College
 Practical Nurse Certificate Program
 APPROXIMATE COST OF NURSING EDUCATION: FALL 2023/WINTER 2024

	<u>In District</u>	<u>Out of District</u>	<u>Out of State</u>	<u>International</u>
Tuition Rates (per contact hour)	\$124.00	\$214.00	\$285.00	\$323.00
Student fees/semester	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
Prerequisites				
Tuition (14 contact hours)	\$1,736.00	\$2,996.00	\$3,990.00	\$4,522.00
Student fees (1 semesters)	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
Books (approximate)	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
	\$2,499.00	\$3,759.00	\$4,753.00	\$5,285.00
Semester 1 Courses				
Tuition (23 contact hours)	\$2,852.00	\$4,922.00	\$6,555.00	\$7,429.00
Student fee	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
HESI Assessment	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Books (approximate)	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00
Uniform (approximate)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Clinical Compliance (approximate)	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
	\$4,565.00	\$6,635.00	\$8,268.00	\$9,142.00
Semester 2 Courses				
Tuition (21 contact hours)	\$2,604.00	\$4,494.00	\$5,985.00	\$6,783.00
Student fee	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
HESI Assessment	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Books (approximate)	\$560.00	\$560.00	\$560.00	\$560.00
	\$3,527.00	\$5,417.00	\$6,908.00	\$7,706.00
Semester 3 Courses				
Tuition (15.5 contact hours)	\$1,922.00	\$3,317.00	\$4,417.50	\$5,006.50
Student fee	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$163.00
HESI Assessment	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Clinical Compliance (approximate)	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00
Licensing	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00
	\$2,905.00	\$4,300.00	\$5,400.50	\$5,989.50
Program Totals				
Prerequisites	\$2,499.00	\$3,759.00	\$4,753.00	\$5,285.00
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Semester 2	\$3,527.00	\$5,417.00	\$6,908.00	\$7,706.00
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GRAND TOTAL:	\$13,496.00	\$20,111.00	\$25,329.50	\$28,122.50