

Los Angeles Pierce College

Department of Nursing
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TRANSFER STUDENT POLICY

The Department of Nursing attempts to accommodate transfer requests of generic nursing students from other accredited nursing programs. This effort is consistent with the philosophy of the college and the Department of Nursing.

Transfer students must petition the department's Admissions/Graduation/Retention Sub-Committee to evaluate equivalency of all previous nursing course work and to determine appropriate placement within the program. (Petitions are available in the Nursing Department Office).

1. The following must be submitted with the petition:
 - a. A letter from the former nursing school director which identifies student status and academic standing.
 - b. Course outlines and descriptions from all previously completed nursing courses.
 - c. Official transcripts of required academic course work and previously completed nursing courses. One **SEALED** official transcript from each college attended, **INCLUDING** Pierce College.
2. To be considered for transfer, applicants must complete the following LAPC prerequisite courses for the nursing major with a grade of "C" or better prior to submitting the petition: (Courses meeting these requirements may be taken at other institutions).
 - a. Anatomy 1 and Physiology 1 or Physiology 8 and Physiology 9
 - b. English 101
 - c. Microbiology 1 or Microbiology 20
 - d. Psychology 41 (Life Span)
 - e. Psychology 1 or Psychology 6
 - f. One course in Mathematics, or appropriate placement level is a program prerequisite. Math 115 or higher will meet this requirement. Please see a Pierce Counselor for advisement.
 - g. 1 year high school Chemistry or Chemistry 51 or equivalent.

To receive credit for courses taken at other institutions, course equivalency must be approved through the LAPC Counseling Department (818) 719-6440. Approved Course Equivalencies for courses not completed at LAPC must be submitted with the application. Foreign transcripts which have been evaluated by a foreign transcript evaluation agency must be approved by the Graduation Department located in the Admissions and Records Office.

3. To be eligible, prospective transfer students must:
 - a. Have an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 for Anatomy, Physiology and Microbiology, with no grade less than a "C" for each course and no more than one repetition of any of these courses.
 - b. Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 with no grade less than "C" in each prerequisite class.
 - c. Be in good academic standing and not be on academic or progress probation.
 - d. Pass the ATI's TEAS exam. Study manual available at (800) 667-7531.
4. Transfer applicants will be notified of the Admissions/Graduation/Retention Sub-Committee's decision. Upon acceptance into the program, transfer students will enroll in courses as directed. Transfer students must also enroll in N-442 (Role Transition to RN) and in the college.
5. Eligible transfer students are admitted at the beginning of Fall and Spring semesters strictly on a space available basis and within the guidelines of the Priority List Policy.

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6. Once transfer students are accepted into the program they must:
 - a. Complete all health requirements. (Must be current for the length of enrollment.)
 - b. Purchase professional malpractice insurance. (Must be current for the length of enrollment.)
 - c. Present valid Fire Safety and CPR-BCLS cards. (Must be current for the length of enrollment.)
 - d. Wear the designated LAPC nursing student uniform.
 - e. Purchase the current Nursing Student Handbook.
 - f. Comply with all college and department regulations
 - g. Enroll in the National Student Nursing Association (NSNA).
 - h. Participate in standardized testing.
 - i. Undergo a required background check and drug screen.

All students are required to provide a criminal record clearance prior to enrollment in the Nursing Program. (Education Code section 66055.9) Currently Live Scan background check is the screening program. Students shall be denied participation in the program for certain convictions and/or violations. Specific information regarding automatic disqualification may be obtained by contacting the Board of Registered Nursing.

7. Transfer students who are accepted into the nursing program must also enroll in the College and complete a minimum of 12 units in residence and a minimum of two semesters enrolled in the nursing program.
8. In addition, the courses listed below are graduation requirements of the college and must be completed before graduation. They can be taken before or concurrently with nursing classes. Several courses will satisfy these requirements; see the current College Catalog, Graduation Requirements, Option 2: Occupational/Vocational (Formerly Plan B).
 - a. Humanities requirement
 - b. Physical Education requirement
 - c. U.S. History/Government requirement
 - d. Sociology 1 **or** Sociology 2 **or** Anthropology 102 (required for nursing)
 - e. Speech 101 (required for nursing)
 - f. Math competency requirement for graduation

9. Counseling is available through the Department of Nursing.

10. Please notify the Department of Nursing of name, address or telephone changes.

ACCREDITATION: The Nursing Program is accredited by the California Board of Registered Nursing and the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. 61 Broadway, 33rd Floor, New York, NY 10006, (800) 669-1656, www.nlnac.org.

DISCLOSURE: The board of registered nursing may deny a license, regulated by the Business & Professional Code, Section 480, on such grounds as: being convicted of a crime, acts of dishonesty, fraud or deceit, etc. Applicants who have questions regarding limitations related to licensure should contact the Board of Registered Nursing, 400 R Street, Suite 4030, Sacramento, CA 95814, (919) 322-3350, www.rn.ca.gov.

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