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### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Hospitals
- Extended care facilities
- Physician's office
- Clinics
- Private duty
- Home Health
- Business and industry

### IT'S A FACT:

Nearly 70% of Washington State students receive financial aid.

**The Practical Nursing and Associate Degree Nursing programs are fully approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing, and provides an excellent foundation a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing (B.S.N.).**

**Washington State Community College also offers courses that may transfer to BSN programs.**

## (EARN) Education Advancement to Registered Nurse Pathway (LPN to RN)

### THE PROGRAM:

Students accepted for college admission may apply to the EARN Pathway. The program includes two semesters of Practical Nursing (PN) education, and three semesters of Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) education.

Graduates of the Practical Nursing program are required to take the National Council Licensure Exam for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN) and meet the GPA requirements prior to progressing toward the Associate Degree Nursing Education.

Graduates of the Associate Degree Nursing program are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). Registered Nurses provide ongoing patient care and support, promote healthy lifestyles, and coordinate all aspects of patient care in acute and long-term care facilities, as well as other community settings.

In addition to a broad range of employment opportunities, graduates may choose to advance their nursing education through baccalaureate (BSN) or advance practice (MSN) programs.

### CAREER SKILLS:

Graduates of the Associate Degree Nursing program at Washington State Community College are prepared to meet the health care needs of individuals throughout their lifespans. The Registered Nurse (RN) is responsible to assess, diagnose, and treat human responses to actual or potential physical and emotional health problems. The ADN-prepared nurse's role is characterized by evidence-based clinical practice for individuals and families in structured settings, and demonstrates the clinical competencies defined by the National League of Nursing (2010). In addition to knowledge gained in nursing courses, graduates of an Associate Degree Nursing program gain valuable career skills for the healthcare environment. The graduate will demonstrate competence, caring and clinical judgment skills in providing safe, effective nursing care. The graduate will also demonstrate personal behaviors consistent with professional and employer expectations for the registered nurse.

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete application for admission to Washington State Community College.
2. Must be a high school graduate or possess a GED certificate.
3. Submit an official high school transcript or GED certificate, and official transcripts from any college(s) attended.
4. Complete application form for the EARN Pathway by stated deadline.
5. Submit **ACT** or **SAT** scores, or submit **TEAS** Entrance Exam scores (ACT of 20 or higher required [ACT Superscoring, not accepted]; or SAT of 1050 or higher on verbal and math components; TEAS Exam score of 63.3 or greater.) ACT/SAT/TEAS not required for applicants with a Bachelor's degree.
6. Provide **three (3) non-family** references.
7. High School Algebra II or higher with a "C" or higher.
8. High School Biology or higher with a "C" or higher.
9. High School Chemistry or higher with a "C" or higher.
10. Complete **BIOL 1510** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
11. Complete **BIOL 2010 & 201L** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
12. Complete **BIOL 2310 & 231L** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
13. Complete **BIOL 2320 & 232L** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
14. Complete **ENGL 1510** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
15. Complete **MATH 2110** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
16. Complete **PSYC 1010** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
17. Complete **PSYC 2700** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
18. **GPA of 2.3 or higher** when applying and upon program entry.
19. **Prior to beginning ADN courses**, obtain cumulative **GPA of 2.5 or higher**, and obtains an active license as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)