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The goal of the Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) to Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ADN) program is to prepare students to meet the requirements for licensure as a Registered Nurse in California. The emphasis of the program will be on prioritization, leadership, organization, and delegation (PLOD). The study of nursing is a very complex one that requires mental and physical abilities to complete the tasks necessary to become a registered nurse. Two of the most essential tools are the Nursing Process and the Organizing Framework around which curriculum is developed. The nursing process is a problem solving process that guides the method of thought and action. It is the thinking process used by registered nurses to care for the clients' response to their health care issues as well as to guide prevention and wellness activities.

The mission of the Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) to Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ADN) bridge program is to prepare LVNs as entry-level registered nurses to provide care across the health/illness continuum and as members within the profession. The program respects the individuality of students and recognizes that each student has different educational, experiential, cultural, spiritual, socio-economic backgrounds, and a unique support system. The aim of the curriculum is to provide a positive, innovative learning model that fosters the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills so that the nursing graduate is equipped to deliver care to a diverse population in a variety of healthcare settings. Nursing graduates will collaborate with members of the health care team, effectively communicate, become politically aware, and committed to lifelong learning.

### Associate Degree Requirements:

- complete a minimum of 18 semester units in a major or area of emphasis
- complete local general education and district requirements - specific to nursing program
  - Area B - CHEM 002A
  - Area D - PSYCH 001 and SOC 001 or 002
  - HE 035 waiver, if applicable
  - Other: COM 001, 003, or 004 and NUT 001
- complete elective units for total of 60 degree applicable semester units
- complete all required courses for the major or area of emphasis, English, and math with a "C" or better
- obtain an overall minimum grade point average of 2.0

### Program Prerequisites:

- BIO 032 Human Anatomy
  - BIO 035 Human Physiology
  - BIO 038 Microbiology
  - ENG 001A Composition and Reading
  - Valid LVN license
  - Acceptance into the ADN Program with a minimum 2.5 GPA
  - No less than C grade for Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology and English 1A
  - No more than one repetition for the above classes
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Course #	Title	Units
<b>Required Core Courses</b>		
NURS-006.....	Advanced Pharmacology (co-requisite).....	
NURS-012.....	Role Transition.....	
NURS-014B.....	Pharmacology/Obstetrical Learning Lab .....	
NURS-007.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing III.....	
NURS-007L.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing III Lab (co-requisite).....	
NURS-008.....	Mental Health – Psychiatric Nursing.....	
NURS-008L.....	Mental Health – Psychiatric Nursing Lab (co-requisite).....	
NURS-014C.....	Specialty Nursing Learning Lab.....	
NURS-010.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing IV.....	
NURS-010L.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing IV Lab (co-requisite) (Includes Preceptorship and Community Health).....	
NURS-011.....	Gerontology – Community Nursing.....	
NURS-011L.....	Gerontology – Community Nursing Lab (co-requisite).....	
NURS-014D.....	Advanced Nursing Learning Lab.....	
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>27.5</b>

### Licensed Vocational Nurse to Registered Nurse Cert. of Achievement

The goal of this 30 Unit Option Non-degree LVN to RN Program is to prepare the LVN to meet the requirements for licensure as a registered nurse in California only. The certificate of completion will allow the qualified candidate to sit for the RN NCLEX exam, but will not result in a degree. The student will not be considered a graduate of West Hills College Lemoore. The emphasis of the program will be on prioritization, leadership, organization and delegation (PLOD). The study of nursing is a very complex one that requires mental and physical abilities to complete the tasks necessary to become a registered nurse. Two of the most essential tools are the Nursing Process and the Organizing Framework around which curriculum is developed. The Nursing Process is a problem solving process that guides the method of thought and action. It is the thinking process used by registered nurses to care for the clients' response to their health care issues as well as to guide prevention and wellness activities.

The mission of the accelerated 30 Unit Option Non-degree LVN to RN Program is to prepare the LVN to be a provider of care across the health/illness continuum and as members within the profession. The program respects the individuality of students and recognizes that each student has different educational, experiential, cultural, spiritual, economic and social backgrounds and a unique support system. The aim of the curriculum is to provide a positive, innovative learning model that fosters the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills so that the graduate nurse is equipped to deliver care to a culturally diverse population in a variety of healthcare settings. Graduate nurses will collaborate with members of the health care team, be effective communicators, be politically aware and demonstrate a commitment to lifelong learning.

#### Program Prerequisites:

- Current possession of valid California Licensed Vocational Nurse
- Biology 035 (Physiology) 4.0 units
- Biology 038 (Microbiology) 4.0 units
- Certificate of Completion in Nursing Courses

Course #	Title	Units
<b>Required Core Courses</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS-006.....	Advanced Pharmacology.....	
NURS-012.....	Role Transition.....	
NURS-012L.....	Role Transition Lab.....	
NURS-014B.....	Pharmacology Learning Lab.....	
<b>Third Semester: 18 weeks</b>		
NURS-007.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing III .....	
NURS-007L.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing III Lab.....	
NURS-008.....	Mental Health-Psychiatric Nursing.....	
NURS-008L.....	Mental Health-Psychiatric Nursing Lab.....	
NURS-014C.....	Specialty Nursing Learning Lab.....	
<b>Fourth Semester: 18 weeks</b>		
NURS-010.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing IV.....	
NURS-010L.....	Medical-Surgical Nursing IV Lab.....	
NURS-011.....	Gerontology Community Nursing.....	
NURS-011L.....	Gerontology Community Nursing Lab.....	
NURS-013.....	Leadership, Delegation & Management.....	2
NURS-014D.....	Advanced Nursing Learning Lab.....	2
<b>Total Program (excluding 8.0 units of prerequisites) .....</b>		<b>29.5</b>

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