LPN to RN Bridge

ADMISSION PACKET 2019-20
DUNDALK
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Welcome
The nursing program welcomes your interest in our course of study. The LPN to RN Transition Course (LPN Bridge) is offered as a traditional 12-week face-to-face fall program at the Dundalk campus. Students who successfully complete the LPN Bridge course are permitted to join the RN program (traditional day program) at the beginning of the second year of the RN program.

The LPN Bridge students are guaranteed a seat only in the day program at the Essex and Catonsville campuses. The LPN Bridge Course is conducted as a day time program in the fall semester on the Dundalk Campus.

Application
The CCBC CAS (Central Application Service) program application costs $50 (non-refundable) and is available at https://ccbc.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login.

Accreditation
The program is accredited by the Maryland Board of Nursing.

Application Deadline
May 31st for a fall start

Prerequisites
Students must have completed or be currently enrolled in and scheduled to complete the following required courses prior to application deadline. All courses must be complete with a C or better.

The following courses are required for admission:

Prerequisite Courses

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<td>BIOL 110 Biology I: Molecules and Cells*</td>
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<td>BIOL 220 Human Anatomy and Physiology I</td>
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<td>BIOL 221 Human Anatomy and Physiology II</td>
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<td>PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology</td>
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<td>PSYC 103 Principles of Human Growth and Development</td>
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<td>ENGL 101</td>
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BIOL 230 Microbiology (4 credits)

BIO 110 Biology I: Molecules and Cells may be a prerequisite for BIOL 220 and BIOL 230. The requirement may be waived for students transferring BIOL 220 and/or BIOL 230. It is not required for admission into the program however may be required for graduation.

The following general education courses are not required prior to entrance into nursing, but must be successfully completed by the end of the program. All courses must be complete with a C or better. For best admission consideration, all courses should be completed at the time of application.

**General Education Courses**

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<th>General Education Arts &amp; Humanities Elective (3 credits)</th>
<th>General Education Math Requirements (3-4 credits)</th>
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<td>o Recommended: PHIL 240 Ethics</td>
<td>o Recommended: MATH 125 or MATH 153</td>
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<td>CMNS 101 Fundamentals of Communication (3 credits)</td>
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**Exams**

Successful completion of the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) prior to the ATI TEAS deadline of May 15th. Additional information for the ATI TEAS can be found at [http://www.ccbcmd.edu/Programs-and-Courses/Schools-and-Academic-Departments/School-of-Health-Professions/School-of-Health-Professions-Admissions-Office/TEAS-Testing.aspx](http://www.ccbcmd.edu/Programs-and-Courses/Schools-and-Academic-Departments/School-of-Health-Professions/School-of-Health-Professions-Admissions-Office/TEAS-Testing.aspx)

Graduates of the CCBC Dundalk LPN program will be permitted to use previous TEAS scores:

- the scores must meet the minimum acceptable level of proficient overall
- proficient in reading (69.0%) or higher
- can be no older than 3 years from the current TEAS deadline of May 15th

However, on 8/31/2016 a new version of the TEAS was launched. The RN program will only use the old TEAS V scores for 2 years after that date. If you are an LPN grad at CCBC and are applying for the 2019 start and you have a TEAS score taken before 5/15/2016, you will have to retest.

**Admission Criteria**

Applicants will be selected for the TRANSITION COURSE after scores are received for the ATI TEAS preadmission test. The following criteria to select applicants will be applied:

1. Copy of current Maryland LPN License renewal form from the Maryland board of Nursing website uploaded to the CCBC CAS application;
2. Must submit the Clinical Experience/Recommendation Form by the application deadline documenting at least 6 months of employment as an LPN uploaded to the CCBC CAS application; EFFECTIVE for 2020 – 500 hours of employment as an LPN is required instead of 6 months.
3. Successful completion of any college math course that meets the general education requirement, a course at the level of college algebra; or successful completion of MATH 083;

4. Completion of the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) by the application deadline and with a satisfactory score.

5. Satisfactory completion of the required general education courses by the end of the spring semester.

6. A minimum GPA of 2.50 on the prerequisite, general education and program required courses, and an overall CCBC GPA of at least 2.00.

In the event there are more applicants for the LPN/ADN Transition Course than spaces available, and all applicants meet the minimum standards required, consideration will be given based on the following criteria according to the rank order assigned below:

- LPNs who graduated from the CCBC Practical Nursing program
- LPN's who graduated within the last five years from a school participating in the MD State Articulation Agreement
- The greatest number of required general education courses completed with the highest GPA
- Scores on the TEAS examination
- Additional course work
- Acute Care Work experience

**Important Information**

- The nursing program highly recommends that students complete all required non-nursing courses before entering the program.
- In order to progress through and graduate from the nursing program, students must successfully complete all courses with a grade of “C” or better.
- If a student earned a D or F grade in BIOL 221 (A&P II) or BIOL 230 (General Microbiology) as the last grade in this subject, even if the student is currently enrolled in the repeat, the student is not eligible to apply for the nursing program. The student must first replace the D or F grade with a passing grade. Once the new grade has been posted on the student’s transcript, then the student will be eligible to apply during the following admission cycle.
- Students who have failed out of a nursing program or have earned two failing grades in another nursing program are not eligible to apply for admission to the CCBC RN program for a period of 5 years, counting from the semester of the failure.
Where to Apply
Applications for this program are found in the CCBC CAS at https://ccbc.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login.

Additional application instructions are found at www.ccbcmd.edu/cas.

This program requires that all official college transcripts be submitted to the CCBC CAS preferably 4-6 weeks prior to the admission deadline.

Admission Response
Admissions decisions are emailed to students approximately 6 to 8 weeks after the application deadline.

Applicants who are offered a seat in the program and choose to accept that seat, are required to pay a non-refundable $200 seat fee to accept their offer of admission and reserve their space in the RN programs. The fee will be applied to the student account after the first several weeks of class. Students who accept the seat and then do not attend the program will not be eligible for a refund of the fee.

Post Admission
The following requirements must be submitted upon notification of acceptance in the Nursing Program and/or Transition Course:

- Evidence of CPR certification (Healthcare Provider)
- Physical Examination Record Form obtained from nursing office
- Evidence of Health Insurance with immunization record
- Criminal Background and urine drug screening

Transition Course Failure
If students are unsuccessful in the LPN to RN Transition course on the first attempt, they will NOT be permitted to repeat the course. These students may apply for admission to the RN program, and if accepted, will begin the RN program with the first course.

Who to Contact

Academic Advising – Advising is available at all campuses and extension centers. For the Dundalk campus call 443-840-3816 or visit the Student Services Center room 102. The hours, addresses and phone numbers for all sites can be found by calling 443-840-2222 or online at http://www.ccbcmd.edu/Resources-for-Students/Academic-Advisement/Contact-an-Academic-Advisor.aspx.

Program Director – Mrs. Cheryl McNamara M.S., RN at cmcnamara@ccbcmd.edu
School of Health Professions Office of Admissions at 443-840-1989 or email shpseat@ccbcmd.edu
CLINICAL EXPERIENCE/RECOMMENDATION FORM

Name of Applicant: ________________________________  Student ID#: ____________

Name of Facility/Employer: ________________________________

Type of Unit/Floor: ________________________________  Phone: ________________

Dates of Employment: From _______________ To _______________

The following information is to be filled out by the applicant’s direct clinical manager.

Please indicate if the applicant named above has demonstrated experience with the following:

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Please indicate if you recommend this employee for admission to the CCBC RN Nursing Program.

__________ recommend  __________do not recommend

Comments:
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Signature: ______________________________________________________________________________________

Title: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Date: ________________________________