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### 1. What is the LPN to RN Transition program?

The LPN to RN Bridge program is designed to prepare practical nurses to enter the CCBC Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program at the second year level, on the Essex campus. The summer Bridge course runs 12 weeks, beginning in June. After successful completion of the didactic and clinical portions of the Bridge course, students join the nursing program in the fall at the beginning of the second year of the nursing program.

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### 2. What are the requirements for admission to this program?

- Unencumbered Maryland license as a practical nurse
- At least six months of full-time employment as an LPN
- Admission to CCBC, the application may be found at [www.ccbc.md.edu](http://www.ccbc.md.edu)
- Overall CCBC GPA of at least 2.00. This is a graduation requirement.
- Completion of the nursing program prerequisites and program requirements with a minimum GPA of 2.50. This coursework must be completed prior to beginning the summer Bridge course.

Prerequisites:

ENGL 101 – College Composition I, with a C or better  
 PSYC 101 – Introduction to Psychology  
 BIOL 220 – Human Anatomy & Physiology I, with a C or better  
 BIOL 221 – Human Anatomy & Physiology II, with a C or better  
 BIOL 230 – General Microbiology, with a C or better

The minimum GPA for the prerequisites is 2.50.

Program Requirements:

PSYC 103 – Human Growth and Development

SOCL 101 – Introduction to Sociology

- Completion of the nursing program general education courses. These courses are not required prior to entrance into the RN program, but must be successfully completed during enrollment in the program in order to graduate.

General Education:

ENGL 102 – College Composition II

SPCM 101 – Fundamentals of Speech Communication

MATH 111 – Ideas in Mathematics, or any other general education mathematics course, except MATH 131, 132, and 133

- Completion of the preadmission examination, the National League for Nursing (NLN) Mobility Profile I Book I: Foundations of Nursing. The fee for this examination is approximately \$50.00.

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### **3. Please give an overview of the steps to follow for admission to the RN program.**

To receive credit for the first year for the first year of the RN curriculum, students must:

- Pass the dosage course ( NURN 006, Dosage for Advanced Placement Nursing); and
- Successfully complete the summer Bridge course, both didactic and clinical portions, with a grade of 75.00%.

Upon successful completion of the requirements, students will be awarded 17 credits for year one of the nursing program. Students will then enter the RN program beginning with NURN 217, Mental Health Nursing Concepts, in the fall semester in the day program at the Essex campus. A limited number of seats will also be available at the Catonsville campus in the day program.

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### **4. What is the schedule for the summer bridge course (NURN 215, LPN/ADN Transition Course)?**

This course is a 12-week course, scheduled from June through August. Students attend classes three days a week, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Before beginning the Bridge course, students are required to pass a dosage course, NURN 006, Dosage for Advanced Placement Nursing. This course is offered immediately prior to the Bridge course in late May. Beginning with May 2009, the dosage course will be offered only in an online format.

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**5. What is the application deadline and where do I submit the application packet?**

The deadline is January 15. Submit the Selective Admissions Application along with the non-refundable \$15.00 application fee to the Bursar's office on any campus. Submit all other paperwork to the Office of Selective Admissions on the Essex campus. See # 7 below for the contact information.

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**6. How many students are accepted into this program each summer?**

Approximately 40 students are accepted each summer.

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**7. Where may I get an application packet?**

Contact the Office of Selective Admissions on the Essex campus.

Phone	443-840-2810
Fax	443-840-1588
Email	<a href="mailto:ccbcahsadmission@ccbcmd.edu">ccbcahsadmission@ccbcmd.edu</a>
Address	Office of Selective Admissions CCBC Essex, Room J-101 7201 Rossville Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21237

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**8. After I am accepted into the LPN to RN Bridge program, what are the next steps?**

- You must provide proof of current CPR certification at the healthcare provider level;
- You must provide proof of current health insurance;
- You must provide documentation of current immunizations and a recent physical examination; and
- You must successfully complete the dosage course, NURN 006, Dosage for Advanced Placement Nursing, prior to beginning the Bridge course.

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**9. After the summer Bridge course, what is the schedule for fall and spring in the RN program?**

RN courses meet four days a week, two days on campus for lectures and labs, and two days off-site at clinical facilities.

Another option is the online/hybrid RN program in which the didactic portion of the courses is offered online and the clinical experiences and student skills lab are offered one day per week at the Catonsville campus.

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**10. What courses in the RN program will I take?**

NURN 217	Mental Health Nursing Concepts	3 credits
NURN 235	Nursing Concepts II – Care of Children and Adults	7
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NURN 229	Nursing Professional Practice Concepts	2

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**11. How may I obtain more information about this program?**

- Contact the RN program case manager at Essex, Ms. Gwen Jones at 443-840-2100 or [gjones@ccbcmd.edu](mailto:gjones@ccbcmd.edu)
- Contact the case manager at Catonsville, Ms. Gwyn Degner, at 443-840-4352 or [gdegner@ccbcmd.edu](mailto:gdegner@ccbcmd.edu).
- Contact the Essex RN Campus Director, Mrs. Mary Kay DeMarco at 443-840-1927 or [mdemarco@ccbcmd.edu](mailto:mdemarco@ccbcmd.edu)
- Contact the Office of Selective Admissions (see # 7) or go to the School of Health Professions web pages at [www.ccbcmd.edu/allied\\_health](http://www.ccbcmd.edu/allied_health)