

**TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING**

**LVN TO BSN EDUCATIONAL MOBILITY OPTION**

Graduates of vocational, associate degree/diploma and baccalaureate nursing programs acquire a common core of knowledge, attitudes, and cognitive and psychomotor skills. However, there are distinct differences in the breath, depth, scope of preparation, and knowledge presented to students in each type of program. A basic premise of Tarleton State University's innovative multiple entry baccalaureate nursing program is career mobility for graduates of vocational, associate degree, and diploma nursing programs.

LVNs are admitted into a set of transition courses followed by junior-level nursing courses. Graduates of vocational nursing programs who have a current license to practice as an LVN in Texas receive en bloc credit for 15 hours of nursing upon successful completion of NUR 305-2 - Professional Role Transition.

The following courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C and a minimum grade point average of 2.75 to be considered for admission to Tarleton's nursing program.

TX.COMMON COURSE NUMBERS	TSU COURSE NUMBERS	COURSE	HOURS
MATH1314	MATH 107-3	College Algebra	3 hrs
NA – Must have Junior Level Statistics	*MATH 300-4 or 305-4	Statistics	3-4 hrs
	(a statistics course is a prerequisite for NUR 411)		
CHEM 1406 or 1411	CHEM 103-4 or 105-4	Fund of Chemistry or College Chemistry	4 hrs
ENG L 1301	ENGL111-3	Intro to College Comp	3 hrs
ENGL 1302	ENGL112-3	College Comp & Research	3 hrs
2000 LEVEL ENGL	*ENGL	literature	3 hrs
BIOL 2401, 2402	BIOL219-4, 220-4	Anatomy & Physiology	8 hrs
BIOL 2421	BIOL 307-4	Microbiology	4 hrs
PSYC2301	PSY 101-3	General Psychology	3 hrs
PSYC 2314	PSY 307-3	Psy of Human Development	3 hrs
BIOL 1322	H S 210-3	Nutrition	3 hrs
GOVT 2301	*POLS 201-3	American Government	3 hrs
GOVT 2302	*POLS 202-3	Texas Government	3 hrs
HIST 1301	*HIST 201-3	Am. History to 1877	3 hrs
HIST 1302	*HIST 202-3	Am. History from 1877	3 hrs
PHED 1301 or **	*HLTH 101-3	Wellness	2 hrs
SOCI 1301	SOC 201-3	Intro to Sociology	3 hrs
***	*Visual and Performing Arts		3 hrs
SPCH 1315, 1318, 1321	*COMS 101-3, 102-3, or 301-3	Speech	3 hrs
			<b>63 SCH</b>

\*If desired, up to nine semester credit hours among these courses may be completed after program admission (i.e., summer semesters between the first and second year of the program).

\*\*The Wellness requirement also may be satisfied by any combination, totaling three hours or more, from activity P ED courses, selected Military Science courses, or marching band (see catalog).

\*\*\*Visual and performing arts course must be historical, appreciative, or theoretical in nature; it may not be an applied or performance course (see catalog for specific courses that may be used to fulfill this requirement). For example, the requirement may be met by taking any one of the following TX common courses: MUSI1301, MUSI1304, MUSI1306, HUMA 1315, ARTS 1303, ARTS 1304, DRAM 1310.

**Nursing Program Admission Process** - Application to the nursing program is separate from and in addition to the application to Tarleton. To be considered for admission submit application materials to the university AND the nursing program by the application deadline March 1, provide evidence of current licensure to practice as a licensed vocational nurse in Texas, be eligible to take the NCLEX-RN upon graduation (see information in the department section of the university catalog), and meet university admission requirements. LVN to BSN students are admitted to the nursing program in the Fall semester.

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**Campus Location** – The transition semester plus the didactic portion of all nursing courses required for the LVN to BSN degree option are offered at the Stephenville campus and via videoconferencing technology at the Tarleton Central Texas site in Killeen. With the exception of the transition semester courses, the didactic portion of nursing courses required for the LVN to BSN degree option are also offered via videoconferencing technology to our off-campus site located on the Howard Payne University campus in Brownwood.

**Full-time and Part-time Options** - The regular program sequence for LVNs is four semesters. The part-time nursing course option requires six semesters to complete the nursing course sequence.

<b>Full-Time Option Fall Entry</b>		<b>Part-Time Option Fall Entry</b>	
<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hrs</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hrs</b>
<b>Transition Semester – Fall</b>		<b>Transition Semester – Fall</b>	
NUR 305 Professional Role Transitions (en bloc credit = 15 SCHs)	2	NUR 305 Professional Role Transitions (en bloc credit = 15 SCHs)	2
NUR 307 Health Assess for Licensed Nurs	3	NUR 307 Health Assess for Licensed Nurs	3
NUR 316 Care of Adults for Licensed Nurs	5	NUR 316 Care of Adults for Licensed Nurs	<u>5</u>
NUR 301 Family Health Nursing	<u>3</u>		
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Junior - Spring</b>		<b>Junior A - Spring</b>	
NUR 302 Maternal-Newborn Nursing	4	NUR 301 Family Health Nursing	3
NUR 303 Behavioral Health Nursing	4	NUR 309 Nurs Care Child & Adolescents	<u>4</u>
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<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Summer</b>		<b>Junior B – Fall</b>	
Complete remainder of General Academic course requirements for the BSN degree	9	NUR 302 Maternal-Newborn Nursing	4
		NUR 303 Behavioral Health Nursing	<u>4</u>
		<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Senior I – Fall</b>		<b>Senior I A – Spring</b>	
NUR 409 Adv Tech & Nursing	5	NUR 409 Adv Tech & Nursing	5
NUR 410 Nursing Manage & Leadership	5	NUR 411 Nursing Research	<u>2</u>
NUR 411 Nursing Research	<u>2</u>	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>		
		<b>Senior I B – Fall</b>	
		NUR 410 Nursing Manage & Leadership	5
		NUR 425 Population Health Nursing	<u>4</u>
		<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Senior II – Spring</b>		<b>Senior II – Spring</b>	
NUR 425 Population Health Nursing	4	NUR 430 Dimensions Rural Hlth Care Delivery	5
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NUR 435 Issues and Trends in Prof Nurs	<u>3</u>	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>		