



River Valley Community
College

Licensed Practical Nursing
Program

Informational Session

2024



About RVCC Nursing

- We are one of nine associate-degree nursing programs in New Hampshire and one of only two LPN programs in the state.
- Our nursing program was founded in 1981.
- We are accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) for our Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ASN) program; accreditation candidacy has been approved for the Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program.





About RVCC Nursing

In the last 3 years, our National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN) pass rate has been 100%!

Our job placement rates for our nursing graduates 100%!

The LPN program is offered at our Keene and Lebanon Campuses, and at our sister schools Lakes Regional Community College and White Mountains Community College

Spring Semester	COURSE #	COURSE NAME	PRE/COREQUISITES	CREDITS
	BIOL 201R	Anatomy & Physiology I	HS chemistry	4
	NURS 105R	Professional Concepts in Nursing	NURS 110R, BIOL 201R	1
	NURS 110R	LPN Nursing Care I	NURS 105R , BIOL 201R	7
Summer Semester	COURSE #	COURSE NAME	PRE/COREQUISITES	CREDITS
	BIOL 202R	Anatomy & Physiology II	BIOL 201R	4
	PSYC 101R	Intro to Psychology		3
	NURS 120R	LPN Nursing Care II	NURS 105R, NURS 110R, PSYC 101R, BIOL 202R	7
Fall Semester	COURSE #	COURSE NAME	PRE/COREQUISITES	CREDITS
	NURS 230R	LPN Nursing Care III	NURS 120R, PSYC 101R, PSYC 114R	7
	PSYC 114R	Human Development		3

LPN Course
map
total program
credits=36



Frequently asked Questions for the LPN program



What will my schedule be like?

Students will have laboratory, classroom, and clinical requirements each semester; 2 full days/week (for nursing courses). Students will be notified at acceptance of the schedule.

Co-required courses (see program map) can be taken prior to admission into the program.

Am I able to work?

Yes; however, it is recommended that you do not work greater than 20 hours per semester.

What is the cost to attend RVCC?

Please see this link:

<https://www.rivervalley.edu/paying-for-rvcc/tuition-and-fees/>

Please reach out to rvccadmissions@ccsnh.edu for an updated cost guide.

Frequently asked Questions for the LPN program



Can the co-required courses be transferred from another school?

Typically, yes – Once RVCC receives official transcripts, a transfer evaluation is completed. All co-required courses must be achieved with a grade of “C” or higher. Science courses must be current within the last 10 years.

Can I transfer into the ASN program?

Absolutely! The LPN program is designed to allow for a seamless transition into the ASN program for those who are interested and qualify.

LPN Application process



How do I apply?

Step 1: [Complete RVCC Application](#)**

- Request official High School and College Transcripts be sent to rvccadmissions@ccsnh.edu or through regular mail to the address listed below:

RVCC Admissions
1 College Place
Claremont, NH 03743

If you are interested in applying for the **LRCC campus, please complete the RVCC application and then contact LRCC at advising@LRCC.edu for information about registering for core-requisite courses at LRCC.

If you are interested in applying for the **MCC campus, please complete the RVCC application, then contact MCC at MCCAcademicAdvising@ccsnh.edu for information about registering for core-requisite classes at MCC.

If you are interested in applying for the **WMCC campus, please complete the RVCC application and then contact wmccadvising@ccsnh.edu for information about registering for core-requisite courses.

LPN Application process



RVCC at LRCC Applicants (After you have submitted your application to the RVCC LPN program)

- If you would like to complete your core-requisite classes (Intro to Psychology, Human Growth and Development, A & P 1) at LRCC, please reach out to advising@LRCC.edu , or the LRCC [Student Support Counselor listed on the last page of this presentation.](#)

LPN Application process



RVCC at WMCC Applicants (After you have submitted your application to the RVCC LPN program)

- If you would like to complete your corequisite classes (Intro to Psychology, Human Growth and Development, A & P 1) at WMCC, please reach out to wmcc@ccsnh.edu

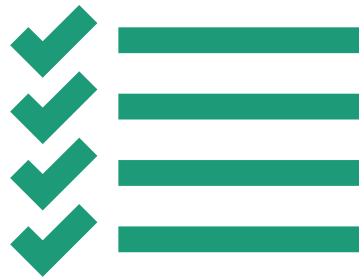
LPN Application process



RVCC at MCC Applicants (After you have submitted your application to the RVCC LPN program)

- If you would like to complete your core-requisite classes (Intro to Psychology, Human Growth and Development, A & P 1) at MCC, please reach out to MCCAcademicAdvising@ccsnh.edu

LPN Application process

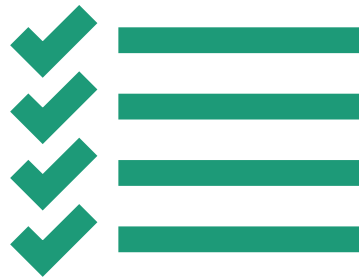


Step 2: Prepare for the TEAS exam

Below are some of the resources available for applicants intending to take the TEAS exam:

- TEAS preparation materials are available for **FREE** through our library for **current students**, [here](#).
- **Potential students** may access print materials for **FREE** through the library. Potential Students will need to create a community member account at the library before borrowing books for three weeks. To contact the library to set up a time to borrow print materials, please contact 603.542.7744, dial extension 5465.
- **ALL applicants** can access the following TEAS prep materials- please note, there is a cost for each: [TEAS prep through Ed to Go](#), [ATI TEAS prep materials](#)

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Step 3: Register to take the TEAS test

Students must achieve minimum scores in each of the following areas:

Reading-69.0

Math-63.3

Science-43.8

English-56.6

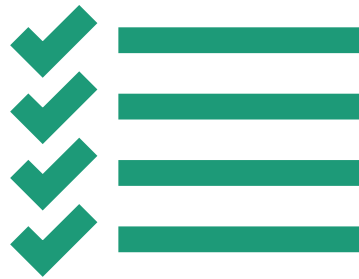
To be eligible, please complete the application by September 30 of the year prior to program entry.

If accepted, students will be notified by October 31 for entry into January program entry year.

****Once accepted, other requirements are due by December 31, of the year prior to program entry.**

****This includes a current LNA license. You may qualify for a waiver, if you have previous education in, or are employed in, an Allied Healthcare related field.**

LPN Application process- Financial Aid

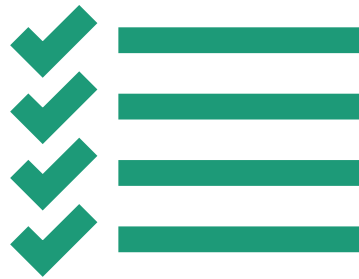


Step 4: Apply for Financial Aid**

- **Step Four:** Complete the [FAFSA \(Free Application for Federal Student Aid\)](#). [Visit our website to learn more about the financial aid process.](#) (If opting for Financial Aid).
- Check out the [scholarship opportunities on our website and](#) apply for as many as are applicable. Please note, you may have to complete the FAFSA to qualify for some of the scholarships listed.

RVCC at **LRCC, MCC and **WMCC** applicants, please view the next slide for further information about the additional step required for your financial aid process.

LPN Application process- Financial Aid



Financial Aid (RVCC at **LRCC, MCC** and **WMCC Applicants only**)**

- When completing your FAFSA, please select River Valley Community College (River Valley's School code is 007560).
- You will need to complete a Consortium Agreement ([found here](#)) for any coursework that you will complete at your host college (LRCC or WMCC).
- RVCC will be your home college for the purposes of this agreement. This is only necessary if you are registering for classes related to the LPN program, or if you are accepted to the LPN program and are studying at a host college.
- Once you have completed the form, please submit it to Professor & Program Director, Eileen Glover (eglover@ccsnh.edu).
- For any questions related to this process, please reach out to rvccfinancialaid@ccsnh.edu

LPN Program- Approximate Cost



Approximate Cost of Attendance for the LPN Program

The cost per credit varies depending on whether or not the student lives in-state, within 50 miles of campus, is New England Regional, or out-of-state.

To view an approximate cost of attendance for the LPN program at RVCC, please click [here](#).

Scholarships – Award Spring



Scholarships

[RVCC Scholarships available on Award Spring click here!](#)

All students can apply to scholarships through River Valley. Scholarships are one-time financial awards that you do not need to pay back. We list all our scholarships on [Access Award Spring](#), which are accessible with your EasyLogin. Award Spring allows each person to find scholarships they are eligible for.

Scholarships – Nursing Specific



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To view a list of Nursing Specific scholarships, [please visit our website](#). A copy of available nursing specific scholarships in PDF form can be sent to you by emailing rvccadmissions@ccsnh.edu

LPN clinical requirements



Once accepted, other requirements due by December 31 of program entry year, are as follows:

- ***Licensure** – current NH licensure as a Nurse Assistant.
- **Basic Life Support Certification**– American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers
- **Criminal Background Record** – A NH and federal criminal background record is required. Any fees are at the expense of the student. A history of a felony or selective misdemeanors may deny entrance into the nursing program.
- **Drug Testing** – Drug testing is required prior to the start of any work-based clinical learning experience. Any fees are at the expense of the student.
- **Proof of Medical Insurance** – Students are required to carry medical insurance to participate in clinical.
- **Medical Documentation**
 - Physical Exam, and miscellaneous required vaccinations

* You may qualify for a waiver, if you have previous education in, or are employed in, an Allied Healthcare related field.



TEAS = Test of
Essential
Academic Skill



The TEAS Test



- The TEAS is a nursing school Entrance Exam.
- Objectives assessed on the TEAS exam are those which nurse educators deemed most appropriate and relevant to measure entry level skills and abilities of nursing program applicants.
- It covers broad and varied areas of subject matter.
- **Students must score at or above the minimum score**
- RVCC can use the best of **two** consecutive ATI test scores, that were taken within the last **two years**.

170 multiple-choice questions in 4 areas:

Reading

Math

Science

English and
Language Usage



209 minutes in length (3 hours, 29 minutes)

Composition of the TEAS Test

What does the TEAS look like?

	Reading	Mathematics	Science	English and Language Usage
Number of Questions	53	36	53	28
Time Limit (Minutes)	64 min	54 min	63 min	28 min
Specific Content Covered	Key ideas and details Craft and structure Integration of knowledge & ideas Pre-Test questions	Numbers and algebra Measurement and data Pre-Test questions	Human anatomy & physiology Life and physical sciences Scientific reasoning Pre-Test questions	Conventions of standard English Knowledge of language Vocabulary acquisition Pre-Test questions

Go to atitesting.com

Follow instructions and create a user name. Cost is \$100 per TEAS application.

Please choose the “RVCC PN” option – this will allow ATI to send your results directly to RVCC

Your results are provided to you immediately after the TEAS test.

https://www.testprepreview.com/teas_practice.htm

Sample TEAS practice tests can be located here:

https://www.testprepreview.com/teas_practice.htm

How to Register for the TEAS Test

Admission to the LPN program- How does it work?



LPN Admissions Process – How does it work?*

Candidates are ranked numerically by the following scoring criteria at time of application (total of 29 points possible). Candidates are not reviewed for admission until after the September 30 deadline.

- **TEAS scores: up to 20 points**
 - **Reading:** 69.0 - 73.8 (1 point) | 73.8 - 76.1 (2 points) | 76.2 - 78.4 (3 points) | 78.5 - 80.8 (4 points) | 80.9 or greater (5 points).
 - **Mathematics:** 63.3 – 70.0 (1 point) | 70.1 – 73.3 (2 points) | 73.4 – 76.6 (3 points) | 76.7 – 80.0 (4 points) | 80.1 or greater (5 points).
 - **Science:** 43.8 – 52.1 (1 point) | 52.2 – 56.3 (2 points) | 56.4 – 60.5 (3 points) | 60.6 – 64.6 (4 points) | 64.7 or greater (5 points).
 - **English & Language Usage:** 56.6 – 63.3 (1 point) | 63.4 – 66.6 (2 points) | 66.7 – 70.0 (3 points) | 70.1 – 73.3 (4 points) | 73.4 or greater (5 points).
- **Completed core requisites for the LPN Program: up to 9 points**
 - Anatomy & Physiology I, Introduction to Psychology, Human Growth & Development (3 points for each A; 2 points for each B, and 1 point for each C)

**Core-requisites taken outside of CCSNH will need to be reviewed, and may not be approved for transfer.

Your Next Steps



- 1) If interested, please enroll in a pre-nursing program at your local community college. This will allow you to begin working on your co-requisite courses and give you access to an academic advisor and be eligible for financial aid.
- 2) Begin studying and register for the TEAS test
- 3) Obtain New Hampshire Licensed Nursing Assistant licensure (or request waiver)
- 4) Start working on the clinical requirements

Get a pulse on your future, and jump start your career in health care an LPN!



Important Contacts

Admissions & Application

Related Questions:

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