ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE LPN-TO-RN BRIDGE PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS



- > It is imperative candidates read and follow the application instructions in their entirety.
- > The information on the next 3 pages includes all the information needed to successfully submit a complete application to the program.
- > Incomplete applications will be rejected.

Important Deadlines:

- o Completed applications need to be submitted by March 15th, 2024
- Kaplan Testing will start February 12th, 2024 March 15th, 2024 (Testing will be done remotely through Examity contact MaryAnn Zeisler at maryann.zeisler@umt.edu to schedule a time. The testing fee is \$29.00).

Eligibility to Apply:

- ▶ Must live in a rural community and be working for an employer who is willing and/or able to allow time for completion of clinical hours as determined necessary (Maternal Health, Pediatrics, Mental Health).
- ▶ Must have 2,000 hours of employment as an LPN by May 1st, 2024.
- ▶ GPA: a minimum GPA of 2.75 is required for all coursework completed is required (all college/university coursework taken since high school is reviewed).
- Prerequisites: Successful completion of prerequisite courses.
 - a. You may submit an application in the semester you are completing the prerequisite courses. In these instances, a review of your mid-term grade will be used, however, if grade is lower than the acceptable range your application will be withdrawn.
- ► Co-requisites: Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete the co-requisite courses before entering the program.

Application evaluation and admission decisions are based on the following evaluation criteria:

- 1. Prerequisite GPA (minimum 2.75): 25%;
- 2. Kaplan Nursing Entrance Examination score: 25%;
- 3. Interview score: 25%;
- 4. Reference: 25%

Candidate Selection Process:

<u>Please do not call or email us to check on your application status — you will be informed by</u> email as soon as information is available.

Step 1: Applications will be carefully read and evaluated by the Application Review Committee. All applicants will be notified via email regarding their selection status as soon as possible.

**Please note it is understood some candidates may be in the currently required courses.

Step 2: Interview appointments are required and will be scheduled once the Review Committee decides who will be interviewed. The top-ranked candidates will receive an invitation to interview via Zoom for a day/time during the week of April 1st, 2024. All other applicants will be notified about their status.

- Step 3: After interviews conclude, the Review Committee will make final selections about admission offers. All interviewed applicants will be notified by email with either an offer or a non-acceptance notice. The Committee's decision is final. The Committee reserves the right to decline any nursing program applicant based on the application packet and interview process.
 - **A waiting list is anticipated in the event originally chosen candidates final grades and/or total required hours are not met by the May 2024 deadline.
- **Step 4**. Full acceptance into the program will depend on students successfully completing any in-progress pre-requisites coursework and admission into Missoula College.

Program Prerequisite & Corequisite Courses

**Courses highlighted in yellow: Student may test out of a course by completing a prior learning assessment; only 1 course can be chosen and additional criteria will need to be met, i.e., experience in mental health.

- Criteria for testing out of a course are as follows (for courses with a time limit requirement, documentation of work experience must be provided):
 - Pharmacology: 80% on test
 - Mental Health: Two years of experience in mental health

- Pediatrics: Two years of experience in pediatrics
- Maternal Health: Two years of experience in maternal health

**Co-requisites: May be taken while in the program

Semester I (May-August)	_
NRSG 230 Pharmacology	3 cr
NRSG 256 Pathophysiology	3 cr
NRSG 254 Mental Health Concepts	3 cr
NRSG 255 Mental Health Clinical	1 cr
Adult NRSG III Lab/Skills Competency Lab	1 cr
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology*	3 cr
Total	14 cr
Semester II (August-December)	_
NRSG236 Maternal Nursing	2 cr
NRSG237 Maternal Nursing Clinical	1 cr
NRSG246 Child/Family	2 cr
NRSG247 Child/Family Clinical	1 cr
NRSG244 Adult Nursing II	3 cr
NRSG245 Adult Nursing II Clinical	2 cr
CHMY 121 + 122 General Chemistry + Lab*	4 cr
Total	15 cr
Semester III (January-May)	
NRSG259 Adult Nursing III	3 cr
NRSG261 Adult Nursing III Clinical	2 cr
NRSG266 Managing Client Care	2 cr
NRSG 267 Managing Client Care Clinical	2 cr
BIOM250 Microbiology in Health Sciences*	3 cr

BIOM251 Microbiology in Health Science Lab*	es1 cr
Total	13 cr