
 <b>STANDARD POLICY AND PROCEDURE FORM</b>	<b>Title:</b> ADVANCED STANDING POLICY: LPN TO RN	<b>ID #:</b> SON.100.12 <b>Effective:</b> 5/10/17 <b>Page 1 of 2</b>
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1. Any applicant who has completed post-secondary education prior to admission to the Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing (FRMCSN) may receive advanced standing credit and will then be termed a "transfer student".
2. The applicant must submit an official transcript from all college(s) and vocational Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) program(s) attended. Course descriptions may be requested to complete the credit evaluation. The transcripts must be sent to the registrar/bursar at FRMCSN during the application process.
3. The determination of nursing transfer credit and the placement of the applicant in the program will be based on a review of the applicant's official transcript(s) and supporting documents by the Admissions Committee.
4. Credit for non-nursing courses may be accepted after evaluation of the transcript and course syllabi by the Admissions Committee.
5. A grade of "C" or better in all courses is required for transfer credit to be granted. This includes coursework completed at BGSU.
6. Transfer credit for science courses will only be accepted if the courses are not more than ten years old. Courses outside of the ten-year limit will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The science courses include:
  - General Psychology (PSYC 1010)
  - Lifespan Development Psychology (PSYC3100)
  - Basic Anatomy & Physiology for Allied Health (AHTH 1310)
  - Microbiology for Healthcare Professionals (BIOL 3140/3150)
7. Transfer credit will be calculated into the FRMCSN cumulative grade point average (GPA).
8. LPNs will receive advanced standing credit for the Nursing Foundations course equaling 9 credit hours.
9. Transfer credit for LPN to RN nursing courses completed at another institution will only be granted if the courses come from a nursing education program accredited by a national nursing accrediting body. The Admissions Committee will review course descriptions and syllabi of potential nursing courses to determine which courses are transferrable. Students who are granted nursing transfer credit must successfully complete a demonstration of basic nursing skills and assessment techniques prior to registering for FRMCSN nursing courses. This demonstration is arranged through the FRMCSN skills laboratory coordinator.

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10. Transfer students must be enrolled at FRMCSN for at least two 16-week semesters to be granted a diploma.
  
11. All transfer credit will be considered regardless of the applicant's race, color, religion, ancestry, ethnicity, gender/transgender status, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital status, disability, pregnancy, parental status, military and/or veteran status, genetic information, or other characteristics protected by law.

**WAIVER**

Waiver of any of this policy must be by two-thirds vote of the Admissions Committee members present and voting. The applicant/student must submit a written request for waiver to the registrar/bursar.