

**PROGRAM START | FALL****DELIVERY | HYBRID****DIPLOMA | 41 CREDITS**

Our 41-credit Diploma is a one-year program with a fall start that prepares nurses to provide bedside care and interact closely with patients. Graduates are eligible to apply for licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN).

The hybrid delivery model consists of online courses and in-person meetings. Course work online is asynchronous. It can be completed any time of day or night- whenever your schedule allows. Labs and clinicals take place on campus and in-person at either NTC or one of our local clinical sites. **Students can plan to be in person for 21 days per semester.**

**STEP 1: Students must apply and be admitted to Northwest Technical College**

1. Apply to Northwest Technical College
2. Submit your official high school, GED and/or college transcripts sent directly from the issuing institution to NTC Admissions via mail or by email [admissions@ntcmn.edu](mailto:admissions@ntcmn.edu)
  - a. *International Transcripts* **must** be submitted through ECE or WES.
3. Transfer Students undergo a transfer evaluation process to determine prior course equivalency to those offered at our institution.

**STEP 2: Must demonstrate readiness for college-level math and english in the following ways:**

MATH 0081 Math Foundations <u>or</u> MATH 0092 Intermediate Algebra, or higher within 5 yrs	ENGL 0100 Read, Reason & Writing, or higher within 5 yrs
<u>or</u> Accuplacer score: Advanced Algebraic Functions 240 or higher	<u>or</u> Accuplacer score: 250 English/ Reading or higher
<u>or</u> High school GPA of 2.6 or above IF the student graduated high school in past 10 yrs	<u>or</u> High school GPA of 2.6 or above IF the student graduated high school in past 10 yrs
<u>or</u> ACT Math score 22 within 5 years	<u>or</u> ACT English score 22 within 5 years
<u>or</u> Complete NTC Math Guided Self-Placement Form	<u>or</u> Complete NTC English Guided Self-Placement Form

**STEP 3: Must complete or enrolled in the following courses, earn a grade of C or higher & meet the prerequisite GPA requirement:**

- ☐ BIOL 2260 Anatomy & Physiology I – 4 credit
- ☐ HLTH 1106 Medical Terminology – 2 Credit
- ☐ PSYC 2201 Developmental Psychology – 3 credit
- ☐ Prerequisite GPA must be **2.75** or higher when all prerequisites are complete

**STEP 4: Must also fulfill the following requirements before they can submit a program application:**

- ☐ A Certified Nursing Assistant active within 5 years or HLTH 1110: Nursing Assistant
- ☐ Active Basic Life Support or HLTH 1410: First Aid/CPR or equivalent
- ☐ TEAS score of **53** or higher within 2 years – **Must be taken at a in-person approved facility**

**STEP 5: Complete the Practical Nursing Online Application – Separate from the institutional application.**

- ☐ During the designated application window, applicants must complete and submit the Practical Nursing Application online to formally declare their interest in being considered for a specific cohort start.

After completing the prerequisite courses for the Practical Nursing (PN) program, students planning to continue into our LPN Step-In program can take the general courses listed below.

The LPN Step-In program has its own set of prerequisites, and these courses will help you prepare for the application process after finishing the PN program.

**Please note: Taking these general courses will not speed up the PN or LPN Step-In programs. However, it can reduce your total credit load once you're enrolled in the LPN Step-In program, making your schedule more manageable.**

☐ BIOL 2262 Anatomy & Physiology II\* – 4 credit

☐ HLTH 1100 Pharmacology\* – 2 credit

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**COREQUISITES FOR THE PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM**

☐ ENGL 1111 College Writing I+ – 3 credit

☐ BIOL 2221 Microbiology+ – 3 credit

☐ CHEM 1100 Intro to Chemistry+ – 4 credit

☐ MATH 1110 College Algebra OR MATH 1930 Intro to Math Science+ – 3 credit

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**PREREQUISITES FOR THE LPN STEP-IN PROGRAM**

☐ PHIL 1201 Ethics OR PHIL 2210 Bioethical Issue^ – 3 credit

☐ General Education Elective (MN State Transfer Goal Area 1-10)^ – 3 credit

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**COREQUISITES FOR THE LPN STEP-IN PROGRAM**