

**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**
  - 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 | Students must complete or be enrolled in the following courses, earn a grade of C or higher, and 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 3 | Students 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
- TEAS score of **53** or higher within 2 years - **Must be taken at a in-person approved facility**
- Active Basic Life Support or HLTH 1410: First Aid/CPR or equivalent

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
  
- 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 Mathematical Science+ – 3 credit
  
- PHIL 1201 Ethics OR PHIL 2210 Bioethical Issue^ – 3 credit
- General Education Course/ Elective^ – 3 credit

**\*Corequisites for the Practical Nursing Program**

**+Prerequisites for the LPN Step-In Program**

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