LAKE AREA TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

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PRACTICAL NURSING E-DEGREE

FALL 2021 ADMISSION INFORMATION

Application Process

All steps of the application process must be completed by the application deadline to be considered for the program. Applications will be accepted starting September 1, 2020 with a deadline of March 1, 2021. Applicants may be accepted after March 1 if the program does not have a full class. Check with the Admissions Office for enrollment levels after March 1.

1. Submit completed application and $25 fee

2. Complete Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

The entrance exam is offered at Lake Area Tech Monday through Friday and select Saturday testing is available at 9am. Contact the Admissions Office for dates. Applicants are required to set up an account through the ATI Testing website www.atitesting.com. (A photo ID must be presented to take exam.) The exam must be completed by March 1, 2021 to ensure evaluation for acceptance in the Fall 2021 Practical Nursing program. The entrance exam may be taken twice with a minimum of 30 days between the tests.

The entrance exam takes up to 3 hours to complete and has four parts: Math Skills, Reading, Science and English/Language. Cost for the exam is approximately $70 and must be paid with a credit/debit card. The ATI-TEAS Study Guide is recommended to use to prepare for the exam. The guide is available through www.atitesting.com/lati_store/product.aspx?zpid=1175. Practice assessments are also available for purchase in combination with the study guide through the online store.

3. Submit official high school and college transcripts

Transcripts must have an official school seal--copies will not be accepted.

4. Verify completed application with Admissions Assistant at ext. 290

Acceptance Criteria

Admission is competitive. Acceptance into the program will be based on the following criteria:

- **Test of Essential Academic Skills** (Testing deadline is March 1, 2021)
- **GPA** (Most recent GPA of 2.5 or better.)
- **Completion of recommended courses**

Applicants will be notified of acceptance or denial by letter.

If accepted, students will also be required to provide a record of the following for the student file by the beginning of the school year:
-A physical examination
-Current immunizations, including MMR, Tdap, and Polio
-Mantoux test, current within the last year
-Hepatitis B series, either completed or in progress of completion
-Varicella titer of proof of immunization series

Individuals who are certified nursing assistants or who have recently successfully completed the NE Technical High Health Science course will be granted two credits for prior learning when a record of completion is made available to the Admissions Office. Criminal background checks are performed on all students before clinical rotations at the student's expense. Visit the online nursing website for computer and network requirements, course requirements, tuition and fees.

Fully Accredited by:

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Online Practical Nursing Program

Become a Practical Nurse by taking courses through the internet at home while continuing to work.

Lake Area Technical Institute's Practical Nursing E-Degree is available to individuals residing in SD, ND, MN, IA, and NE.

Does Lake Area Tech offer all the classes needed online?

Not all of the general education courses are available online. Composition, Math, Anatomy, and Psychology can be completed at any accredited technical school or college. Online courses that are approved for transfer by the program advisor may also be taken.

What about clinical experiences?

Students that begin in the program in the fall semester will have required supervised clinicals in Watertown and surrounding areas. The number of clinical hours requiring travel to Watertown and surrounding areas are:

PN103=30 hours	PN113=36 hours
PN114=42 hours	PN201=36 hours

Additional clinical hours will also be required in other communities as arranged by the instructors in the following courses:

PN103=30 hours	PN111=24 hours	PN201=140 hours
PN113=48 hours	PN114=110 hours	

When does the program begin and how big is the class?

The program starts each fall semester and accepts up to 40 students.

Are you an online learner? Take the survey:

https://www.lakeareatech.edu/online-learning/

Fall Semester Full-Time Student

Completion of the recommended courses will be in the students' best interest to maintain a reasonable credit load during the course of study at Lake Area Tech.

Recommended courses to complete prior to the fall semester:

ANAT 142 Anatomy*	3		Spring Semester	
ENGL 101 Composition*	3		PN 112 Nursing Care of Children	2
MATH 101 Intermediate Algebra or			PN 113 Nursing Care of the Adult I	5
MATH 114 College Algebra*			PN 114 Nursing Care of the Adult II	6
PN 110 Medical Terminology	3		PN 203 Professional Concepts in Nursing	1
PSYC 101 General Psychology*	1		CSS 100 Career Search Strategies	0.5
Total	3		Total	14.5
Fall Semester*Start of program	13			
PN 102 Fundamentals of Nursing Prac I			Summer Session	
PN 103 Fundamentals of Nursing Prac II PN	2		PN 111 Maternity Nursing	2.5
106 Foundations in Nursing	6		PN 201 Applied Clinical Practice	5
PN 108 Nutrition	2		Total	7.5
PN 130 Pharmacology	1			
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Total	12			

● Indicates general education course. +Only America Red Cross or American Heart Association cards will be accepted for transfer. AED/CPR is required before faculty monitored clinicals. Completing an AED/CPR course between July 15 and Aug 20 is ideal.

Students interested in continuing their education for an Associate Degree in Nursing (RN) may be able to apply for the LATI RN program.

Additional General Education Courses for Associates Degree in Nursing:

CHEM 106 Chemistry Survey Inorganic Chemistry w Lab	4	SPCM 101 Fundamentals of Speech	3
MATH 114 College Algebra*	3	PHGY 210 Physiology	4
MICRO 231 General Microbiology	4	SOC 100 Intro to Sociology	3

*Math 114 is required prior to the first semester of the RN program.

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