



REGISTERED NURSING

Full-Time Online

FALL 2023 ADMISSION INFORMATION

Lake Area Tech offers an Associate of Applied Science full-time online hybrid e-degree Registered Nursing program. Our nursing program has full approval from the South Dakota Board of Nursing and full accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. One class will be admitted in the fall each year. Interested individuals need to have a current unencumbered LPN license. Laptops are required and are available through Stax Bookstore or students may bring their own. See website for requirements.

All application process steps must be completed by the application priority deadline to be considered. The application window opens January 1 and the priority deadline* is March 1, 2023, for the full-time online program that begins Fall 2023.

*Applications may be accepted after the deadline if the program does not have a full class. Check with the Admissions Office for enrollment levels after March 1.

Application Process

Application packets are available online at: www.lakeareatech.edu. All of the following MUST be turned in by March 1, 2023.

- ✓ Completed application and fee
- ✓ Official high school and college transcripts
- ✓ If you are a current Lake Area Tech student, verify transcripts are in place at LATC.

Transcripts must have an official school seal, copies will not be accepted. Grade report will be accepted if a final transcript is unavailable by the priority deadline date. A final official transcript is required when available to complete transfer of courses. Interviews for selected applicants will be made available and acceptance is limited, with a waitlist. Accepted students must hold a valid and current CPR certification.

Acceptance Criteria

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

- Most recent GPA of 2.75 or higher
- Transferrable coursework must be completed with a grade of C or higher and science courses should not be more than seven years old (exceptions may be granted if a practicing LPN)
- Completion of required courses
- An interview
- LPN program exit scores
- A letter of admission which includes the student's plan for success
- A letter of reference from a current healthcare employer or a former faculty
- Applicants will be notified of acceptance or denial by letter
- Acceptance is contingent on all the requirements being met

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 within the last 24 months
- Current immunizations, including MMR, DPT and polio
- Mantoux test (current within the last year) 2-step required; or quarterferon gold blood test
- Hepatitis titer (positive)
- Tdap (unless Td in last year)
- Varicella titer showing positive or proof of the series of two shots

The following immunizations are not LATC requirements but are required by LATC clinical partners. Proof of these immunizations or religious or medical exemption from the immunization is required to complete the nursing clinical component:

- Influenza vaccination
- COVID vaccination

Criminal background checks are performed on all students before clinical rotations at the students' expense.

*College Algebra-MATH 114 is required prior to starting the program.

Online Registered Nursing Program Course Requirements

Fall Semester

RN 206	Professional Concepts in Nursing	.5
RN 223	Health Promotion & Clinical Concepts in Nursing	4
RN 227	Nursing Care of the Child & Family	3
RN 230	Pharmacology for the Registered Nurse	2
PHGY 210	Introduction to Human Physiology	4
CHEM 106	Inorganic Chemistry Lecture	3
CHEM 106L	Inorganic Chemistry Lab	1
	TOTAL	17.5

Spring Semester

RN 228	Nursing in the Community	1
RN 236	Mental Health Nursing	1.5
RN 240	Applied Pathophysiology in Clinical Nursing	4
CSC 100	Computer Concepts	1
Micro 231	General Microbiology	4
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	3
	TOTAL	14.5

Summer Semester

RN 242	Applied Nursing Concepts	4
SPCM 101	Fundamentals of Speech	3
	Total	7

Online students will come to campus one to two times per semester for approximately three days.

Lake Area Technical College Registered Nursing Program

Lake Area Technical College's curriculum for Registered Nursing meets the educational requirements for professional licensure in South Dakota and many other states. Read more regarding [Professional Licensure Disclosures](#) on our website at www.lakeareatech.edu.

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) – Fully Accredited, January 2020

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View the list of accredited ACEN programs: <http://www.acenursing.com/accreditedprograms/programsearch.htm>

South Dakota Board of Nursing – Fully Approved, February 2021

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