

# REGISTERED NURSING

## **FALL 2024 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 September 1, 2023 and the priority deadline\* is March 1, 2024, 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, 2024.

- ✓ 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 quanterferon 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.

#### **Online Registered Nursing Program Course Requirements**

Nursing	(RN) • Full-time Hybrid E-Degree
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Semester Course Outline - 2023 – 2024 Image: Course Outline - 2023 – 2024   11 Months (2 Semesters, 1 Summer Session) • Revised: 1/20/23 Image: Course Outline - 2023   Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree • Credits Required for Graduation: 41 Image: Course Outline - 2023   Note: Completion of MATH 103 – Mathematical Reasoning is required prior to starting the RN program. Fall Semester   Course Number Course Title Theory Lab Clinical Semester							
RN 223	Health Promotion and Clinical Concepts in Nursing	33.75	7.5	67.5	4		
RN 223	Nursing Care of the Child and Family	45	7.5	45	4		
RN 230	Pharmacology for the Registered Nurse	37.5		45	2.5		
PHGY 210	Introduction to Human Physiology *	60			4		
CHEM 106 CHEM 106L	Inorganic Chemistry Lecture * Inorganic Chemistry Lab *	45	15		4		
	Total	236.25	22.5	112.5	19.5		

Course Number	Course Title		Theory Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit
RN 228	Nursing in the Community		15		22.5	1.5
RN 236	Mental Health Nursing		22.5		22.5	2
RN 240	Applied Pathophysiology in Clinical Nursing		37.5		67.5	4
MICRO 231	General Microbiology *		60			4
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology *		45			3
	•	Total	195		112.5	14.5

Course Number	Course Title	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit
RN 242	Applied Nursing Concepts			180	4
CMST 101	Fundamentals of Speech *	45			3
	Total	45		180	7

Courses marked with an asterisk (\*) can be transferred directly to the university system.

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 <u>Professional Licensure Disclosures</u> on our website at <u>www.lakeareatech.edu</u>.

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

3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400 Atlanta, GA 30326 View the list of accredited ACEN programs: <u>http://www.acenursing.com/accreditedprograms/programsearch.htm</u>

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