Indiana State University
Department of Baccalaureate Nursing Completion
Admission, Progression, Retention, Dismissal, and
Reinstatement Policy for Students Entering with LPN/LVN
Licensure

Admission

1. Admission criteria for students entering with LPN/LVN licensure -
2. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale is required for admission.
3. Current Indiana LPN license or equivalent in the geographic location where the student will be doing his/her preceptorship or clinical practicum. An applicant may be admitted conditionally with formal admission pending receipt/verification of licensure no later than the time of enrollment in the first clinical nursing course.
4. Transfer policies are consistent with those for students entering without a license. [http://catalog.indstate.edu/content.php?catoid=32&navoid=858#admi_requ_tran](http://catalog.indstate.edu/content.php?catoid=32&navoid=858#admi_requ_tran)

Progression, Retention, Dismissal, and Reinstatement

1. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.25 throughout their enrollment in the Baccalaureate Nursing Program.
2. Students must achieve a minimum grade of C as well as satisfactory performance for the clinical component of each nursing course.
   a. The theory component in a course must receive at least a C.
   b. The clinical component must receive a satisfactory performance for the student to pass the course.
      (1). To receive a satisfactory clinical grade, all clinical requirements must be completed; these include but are not limited to the following:
         i. All clinical reports, journals, concept maps, and written evaluations from the student.
         ii. All clinical evaluation tools with student evaluation of clinical performance and completion of clinical objectives completed by the preceptor at midterm and end of the semester or as deemed necessary by the course faculty.
      (2). An accrual of two (2) unsatisfactory clinicals at anytime before the 10 week drop will be recorded as a failed nursing course with the University.
3. A failed nursing course may be repeated only one time. Failure of any nursing course for a second time will result in dismissal from the program.
4. Failure of any two nursing courses within the baccalaureate curriculum will result in dismissal from the program.

5. Any failed nursing course must be repeated in full prior to progression into any additional nursing courses.

6. Students must achieve a minimum grade of C in the following Foundational Studies (formerly known as General Education) and/or cognate courses: English 305; Sociology 100; Educational Psychology 221 or Psychology 266; or Educational Psychology 302, Applied Health Sciences 340 or any college-level statistics course; and Biology 412.

7. A failed cognate may be repeated only one time. Failure of any cognate for a second time will result in dismissal from the program.

8. Failure of any three courses designated as cognates in the baccalaureate nursing curriculum will result in dismissal from the program. Each failed cognate science course and its laboratory count as one course.

9. Any student who has been dismissed from the nursing program may be considered for readmission only in accordance with the Undergraduate Academic Renewal policy.

10. Students must achieve a minimum grade of C in the information technology literacy requirement.

11. Students must complete competency testing throughout the program of study based on course requirements.

12. Enrollments in clinical nursing courses will be determined by the following priorities:
   a. Continuing students—students who enroll in at least one clinical nursing course each semester.
   b. Advanced placement students—students who have earned advanced placement in the sequence of nursing courses and who will be enrolling in their first clinical nursing course.
   c. Non-continuing students—students in good standing who have dropped out of the sequence of clinical nursing courses for at least one semester.
   d. Non-progressing students—students who must repeat a clinical nursing course.
13. If progression in the major stops for longer than one semester, but less than 2 years, for any reason (other than dismissal), the student will be required to complete testing to ensure continuing competency before resumption of coursework will be allowed. Students may be required to repeat select courses if competency has not been maintained. If progression in the major stops for 2 years or more, the student is required to reapply and, if admitted, the student will start the course of studies over from the beginning.

14. All health requirements, CPR, TB, Bloodborne pathogens, professional liability insurance, and licensure must be kept current throughout the entire semester when in the nursing program:
   a. If the student is not enrolled in a nursing course with a required clinical, the student is still required to be up-to-date in all compliance areas for the duration of the entire program of study.
   b. A student will have a hold on registration for any nursing courses if the health requirements, CPR, TB, and Bloodborne pathogens are not up to date for the entire semester that the student will be enrolled.

15. Request for Reinstatement:
   a. A student, who has been dismissed from the nursing program for academic failure, or any other reason, may request a review for reinstatement. The written request for reinstatement should be addressed to the Executive Director of Nursing. If the dismissal is for academic performance, a Plan of Improvement must be included with the request. Reinstatement will be based on the decision of the Nursing Executive Council.

   b. Reinstatement is not guaranteed, and no student may be reinstated more than once. A reinstated student will be dismissed upon failure of any additional required course in the program of study. Students who are reinstated must adhere to the policies, guidelines, curriculum of the nursing program, and the recommendations of the Nursing Executive Council at the time of reinstatement. The date of a reinstatement will be determined by the department chairperson based on space availability. Reviewed and revised: Nursing Executive Council (Spring, 2012)