

# Associate Degree Nursing Program 2019-2020

Application Checklist  
Traditional Students

## Important Contacts

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- Assists with the application and registration process.
- Provides general information and advising regarding Allied Health programs, as well as Bachelors of Science in Nursing completion options.

### **Hilary Donley, Administrative Assistant/Allied Health**

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- Maintains all of the nursing program files.
- Schedules students for the HESI A2 Admissions Assessment entrance exam.
- Provides general information about the college's nursing programs.

### **Cheryl Beam, Director of the Nursing Programs**

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- Oversees all aspects of the nursing programs.
- Reviews waiver requests and admissions credits.
- Advises AAS.ADN.TRK, AAS.ADN, and potential students regarding progression toward graduation.
- Teaches in the PN and ADN programs.

Lake Land College's Associate Degree Nursing program is accredited by:

**Accreditation Commission for  
Education in Nursing**  
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850  
Atlanta, GA 30326  
[www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org)



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230 South LaSalle St. Suite 7-500  
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**Complete these steps by February 1 of the application year.**

- ❑ Complete an Intent to Enroll for Lake Land College—Select “AAS.ADN.TRK” as the academic program. This will ensure you are assigned a nursing academic advisor and generate a Laker email account; prospective students are expected to check this email account on a regular basis for Nursing Department correspondence.
- ❑ Send transcripts to Admissions & Records Office. Contact the office at (217) 234-5434 to confirm receipt. If courses have been completed at another institution, request a “Transcript Evaluation” for AAS.ADN.TRK from Admissions & Records Office to ensure all required courses are evaluated.
- ❑ Complete a Nursing Program Admission Application. The application is available online at the Lake Land College website. Select *Academics, Academic majors*, scroll down to *AAS.ADN* and select, scroll to find the ‘*begin the application process*’ link. Receipt of this application will prompt the Nursing Department to start a file and begin correspondence.
- ❑ The department will review student ACT/SAT, college placement test scores, and/or college coursework to determine eligibility to take the HESI A2 Admission Assessment Exam. To be eligible, applicants need satisfactory scores in 2 of 3 categories: English, Reading and Math. Test scores are valid for 5 years. The following information defines satisfactory scores:
  - English: placement into ENG 120 or higher or completion of ENG 007.
  - Math: placement into MAT 006 or higher or completion of MAT 005.
  - Reading: placement out of all reading courses, completion of RDG 050, or completion of 30 college credits in good standing.
- ❑ To schedule the Lake Land College Placement test call the Tutoring and Testing Center at 217-234-5301.  
 Within 2-3 weeks of receipt of completed Nursing Program Admission Application, applicants will be notified via Laker email regarding eligibility to take the HESI A2 Admission Assessment Exam.
- ❑ Upon receipt of this email, the applicant must call to schedule the exam with the Nursing Department at (217) 234-5447. Approximately 2-4 weeks prior to the exam date, applicants will receive an email with instructions on registration and payment. The cost is \$42 (subject to change), which is paid online when registering.
- ❑ The exam is a proctored, online test offered the first Friday of September, October, November, December, and January. If class is not in session, an alternate date will be chosen. For applicants who want to repeat the test, repeat dates will be offered in September, December and January. Space is limited. 100 students will be assigned for each testing date, the first 80 to pay for the exam will be eligible to test. Applicants are tested on reading comprehension, grammar, vocabulary & knowledge, and math. To be considered for the Associate Degree Nursing Program, applicants must obtain a **minimum acceptable score of 75 on this exam.**

**Study aides are available for purchase online: HESI A2 Study Guide published by Elsevier**

**Course requirements:**

- ❑ Pre-requisite: Biology—BIO 100 or equivalent, with a grade of “C” or better. Must be completed prior to the February 1<sup>st</sup> application deadline. *Students enrolled in Biology during the spring semester of the application year will NOT be considered for admission.*

**Associate Degree Nursing**

Co-requisites may be taken prior to admission, but must be completed by the end of the semester indicated in the last column below:

<u>Course</u>		<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Semester of Nursing Program</u>
Human Development	PSY 279	3	Semester I
Anatomy and Physiology I	BIO 225*	4	Semester I
Anatomy and Physiology II	BIO 226*	4	Semester 2
Nutrition	HED 102	3	Semester 2
Disease Processes <u>or</u> Microbiology	HED 290 BIO 235**	2 4	Semester 2/Summer
Composition I	ENG 120	3	Semester 3
Comp II <u>or</u> Speech	ENG 121 or SPE 111	3	Semester 4

\* Anatomy and Physiology Courses must be completed within 5 years prior to admission.

\*\* Course recommended for a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing

**Nursing Program Courses:** These courses will only be taken once a student is accepted into the program. All courses are sequential. A student cannot progress in the program if unsuccessful in any course.

<u>Course</u>		<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Semester of Nursing Program</u>
Nursing I Fundamentals	ADN 040	8	Semester I
Nursing II	ADN 042	10	Semester 2
Pharmacology I	ADN 053	2	Semester 2
Nursing III	ADN 076	10	Semester 3
Pharmacology II	ADN 074	2	Semester 3
Nursing IV	ADN 078	10	Semester 4
Pharmacology III	ADN 075	2	Semester 4
Senior Seminar	ADN 060	1	Semester 4—Mod I

On February 1<sup>st</sup>, a review of files will begin to determine students for Fall admissions. Admission scores are calculated utilizing the following rubric:

ADN Admissions Rubric for Traditional Students

Verification of pre-requisite course completion. BIO 100	Check to verify completion Biology complete <input type="checkbox"/>
Admission Application-Associate Degree in Nursing	1 point per 6 month period. (Jan 1 – June 30 & July 1 – Dec 31) <b>0 to 4 points possible</b>
HESI A2 Admission Assessment Exam score (minimum score of 75 required to be considered for admission).	Score _____ X2 = <b>Max 200 points possible</b>
Aggregated GPA for completed co-requisite courses	<b>2 to 4 points possible</b>
Co-requisite points Points earned based on grades for courses completed	A=3 pts; B=2 pts; C=1 pt; D or F not accepted <b>0 to 21 points possible</b>
Completion of a certificate program (40 credits or more) or higher degree in a related field* OR currently employed in a healthcare field with direct patient care experience*	<b>10 points possible</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>

**\*To obtain optional admissions points, submit the following:**

- 10 admissions points are awarded for completion of a healthcare certificate program (completion of a formal 40-credit hour vocational program) or higher degree and receipt of **current** certificate or license in a related field. (i.e., Medical Assistant, Physical Therapy Assistant, Dental Hygiene, Radiology Technologist, Paramedic)

**OR**

- 10 admissions points for employment in a healthcare related field that involves direct patient care that does not require a specific license, such as a home health aide, is also acceptable. Submit a letter from your current employer (on agency letterhead) indicating current role in direct patient care to the nursing department.

**Essential Functions:** Applicants of the Nursing Programs at Lake Land College must be able to meet the technical requirements of the program and not pose a risk to the well-being of patients, other students, staff or themselves. Applicants will need, at a minimum, to be capable of performing all Essential Functions required of a nurse. Students will need to maintain and demonstrate these abilities through the duration of the program.

**Cost Estimate for ADN Program Course Completion\***

Semester	Semester Hours	Tuition and Fees \$137.00 per Semester Hour	Course Fees	TOTAL
Prerequisites	4	\$548.00		\$548.00
Fall—1 <sup>st</sup> yr.	15	\$2055.00	\$300	\$2355.00
Spring—1 <sup>st</sup> yr.	19	\$2603.00	\$300	\$2903.00
Summer/Fall—2 <sup>nd</sup> yr.	18	\$2466.00	\$300	\$2766.00
Spring—2 <sup>nd</sup> yr.	16	\$2192.00	\$300	\$2492.00
Uniform, watch, & shoes		\$150.00		\$150.00
Supply kit (from LLC Bookstore)		\$400.00		\$400.00
Textbooks and Simulation Learning System (from LLC Bookstore)		\$1600.00		\$1600.00
Background check, drug screen and fingerprinting		\$150.00		\$150.00
<b>ESTIMATED TOTAL COSTS</b>				<b>\$13,364.00</b>

\*All prices for in-district students are subject to change

## Frequently Asked Questions

### How can I improve my chances of gaining admission into the ADN program?

- **Study** for all coursework to earn the best grade possible, which increases the admissions score.
- Prepare for the HESI A2 Admission Assessment Exam. The score is the biggest influence on admission points.

### What other courses can help me be successful in the program?

- Math for Meds, Medical Terminology

### Is there a waiting list?

- No—The ADN program is a selective program with an objective, competitive admissions process. Each year applicants are accepted based on a point system.

### How often are students admitted?

- Students begin the program in the fall semester only.

### Can I apply if I am out of the Lake Land College district?

- The Illinois Community College Board requires that all in-district applicants be considered first. Out-of-district students will be considered using the same admissions rubric only after all eligible in-district students have been considered.

### How long is my HESI A2 Admission Assessment Exam score valid?

- The HESI A2 Admission Assessment Exam scores are valid for five years. If you take the exam more than once, the most recent score is always the score used for admission.

### What do I do if I am not accepted into the program?

- The nursing department will send you information on how to reapply for the program.

### How soon should I begin the application process?

- Plan at least one year before projected start date by turning in the Nursing Program Admissions Application. The HESI A2 Admissions Assessment Exam is administered the first Friday of September, October, November and December and an applicant will not be considered without a HESI score. The BIO 100 pre-requisite must be complete by the February 1 application deadline.

### Do I need to repeat my science classes if they have expired?

- Yes. All sciences except BIO 100 must be repeated if over 5 years since completion. If Anatomy and Physiology I and II courses have expired, a refresher course ADN 061 health assessment (2 credit hours) may be taken.

### Where is the ADN program offered?

- The ADN program is offered on the main campus and at the Effingham Kluthe Center. Accepted students register at their preferred site on a first come, first serve basis.

### How often will I be in school?

- Students can expect to attend class 3-4 days a week. The day off varies throughout the program depending on the clinical assignments. Most clinical assignments require students to BEGIN as early as 6 a.m.

### Where can an LLC ADN graduate practice nursing?

- Once a student graduates from the ADN program, he/she is eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination-Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN) and obtain a Registered Nursing license in any state in the United States.