NURSING, ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING

NMC Code 302

Northwestern Michigan College's Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program consists of two years of nursing classes after prerequisites are met. It is designed to give the student the skills necessary to prepare for employment after graduation. Graduates of the ADN program are eligible to apply for the National Council License Examination (NCLEX-RN) for licensing as a registered nurse. Student clinical experiences may include assignments at Munson Medical Center and a variety of other agencies. The program is approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing and accredited through the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

Admission Requirements

Admission requirements include the following:

- Completion of the admission process for the pre-Associate Degree Nursing AGS Degree for NMC.
- Transfer students must submit official transcripts to determine eligibility.
- Completion of prerequisite requirements.

ADN students must submit the ADN application. Students may review the Competitive Points Rubric to determine how points are earned. The Competitive Points Rubric, application deadlines, and further details can be found on the NMC website under Nursing – Associate Degree (ADN). Space in the nursing program is limited. Completion of prerequisites does not guarantee admission to the nursing program. Students are granted access to the online competitive ADN application only after all prerequisite requirements are complete and eligibility has been met. It is recommended that students create a plan to complete prerequisite requirements with the Advising Department.

General Information

- Current CPR certification, a physical examination indicating good mental and physical health, immunization records, criminal background checks and drug screens are required by the start of the program. Nursing students are responsible for the costs associated with these program requirements.
- The Board of Nursing may deny graduates the ability to take the licensure exam for a previous felony conviction, previous treatment for drug or alcohol abuse, or after finding the existence of one or more grounds for board action listed in 333.16221 of the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978.
- The clinical facilities used by NMC have the right to accept or reject a student. This action could result in a student being delayed or unable to complete the nursing program. This decision may be made just prior to the clinical rotation.
- Nursing students must adhere to the policies referenced in the Nursing Program Policy Manual associated with their admission semester. If a student is readmitted due to a course failure, they must adhere to the policies referenced in the Nursing Program Policy Manual associated with their readmission semester.
- Nursing program tuition is charged by the contact hour.

- All nursing courses must be completed within five years of taking the first nursing class.

Online Nursing Option

NMC admits students to an online version of its traditional ADN curriculum each fall semester. The online option provides all of the nursing theory courses in an online format. It requires attendance in person for the lab and clinical courses. The labs and clinical courses are generally scheduled in the Traverse City area and will require 2-3 days per week of attendance.

Once students begin the ADN online option, the college will ensure that the online courses will be available until students complete the program, as long as the model schedule is followed. If students become out of sequence for any reason, they will need to move into the traditional program.

Note: *The ADN online option is not available to ADN students beginning the program spring semester. It is not available to students pursuing the Practical Nursing certificate or ADN Completion Option.*

Requirements
Prerequisite Requirements

Prerequisite requirements include the following:

- 2.5 overall GPA or higher ("Nursing GPA" is calculated by including all NMC courses and transfer courses that count toward the ADN degree).
- ENG 111 English Composition (2.0 grade or higher)
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (2.0 grade or higher)
- BIO 227 Human Anatomy & Physiology I (2.5 grade or higher. Must have been completed within five years of program entry, or successfully complete a competency exam if the class is older than five years.)
- Math Competency: Placement into MTH 121 College Algebra or higher with qualifying test scores or completion of MTH 111 Intermediate Algebra (2.0 grade or higher. Must have been completed within five years of program entry.)

The nursing department enforces a repeat policy that states: Any math and/or science class may only be repeated once. This includes fails, drops, withdrawals or transferred classes (effective June 1, 2012).

Recommended Courses to Take Prior to Starting the ADN Program

- ENG 112 English Composition
- One Group 1 Humanities course
- BIO 228 Human Anatomy & Physiology II (2.5 grade or higher. Must have been completed within five years of program entry, or successfully complete a competency exam if the class is older than five years.)
- HPD 110 BLS for Health Care Providers or equivalent class:
  - AHA Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers

Note: *Current CPR certification must be documented by the start of the program, and maintained throughout the program.*

Major Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
General Education Requirements		
ENG 111	English Composition	4
ENG 112	English Composition	4
Any Group 1 Humanities Course		3
Math Competency [1]		4
BIO 227	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 228	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
Nursing Specialty Requirements		
HAH 100C	Informatics Essentials	1
HNR 101	Fundamentals of Nursing-Lectur	4
HNR 102	Fund of Nursing-Clinical	4
HNR 106	Pharmacology I	1
HNR 107	Pharmacology II	2
HNR 125	Lifespan Nursing Lecture	5
HNR 126	Lifespan Nursing-Clinical	5
HNR 241	Adv Maternal Child Nursing-Lec	3
HNR 242	Adv Maternal Child Nursing-Cli	2
HNR 221	Acute Care Nursing I	1.5
HNR 222	Acute Care Nursing II	1.5
HNR 248	Acute Care Nursing - Clinical	4
HNR 251	Mental Health Nursing - Lec	2
HNR 252	Mental Health Nursing-Clinical	1
HNR 261	Nursing Management	3
HNR 262	Nursing Management Clinical	4
HPD 110	BLS for Health Care Providers [2,3]	(0.2)
Total Credits		**70**

[1] Placement into MTH 121 College Algebra *or* higher, *or* completion of MTH 111 Intermediate Algebra (if required, completion of MTH 111 Intermediate Algebra will add 4 additional credits/contacts to the program)

[2] Equivalent classes is AHA Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers

[3] These credits do not count toward degree requirements.

Note: *A 2.5 grade or higher is required in all Nursing (HNR and HAH) courses. Nursing course completion with a grade less than 2.5 is considered a course failure and requires readmission. Failing more than one HNR or HAH nursing course will result in nursing program dismissal.*

Course Sequence Guide Prerequisites

Course	Title	Credits
ENG 111	English Composition	4
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
BIO 227	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
MTH 111	Intermediate Algebra	4
Total Credits		**15**

Model Schedule

Course	Title	Credits
Year 1		
Fall		
HAH 100C	Informatics Essentials	1
HNR 101	Fundamentals of Nursing-Lectur	4
HNR 102	Fund of Nursing-Clinical	4
HNR 106	Pharmacology I	1
The following courses will be added to Fall Semester if not taken prior to admission:		4
HPD 110	BLS for Health Care Providers (CPR)	
BIO 228	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	
	Credits	**14**
Spring		
HNR 125	Lifespan Nursing Lecture	5
HNR 126	Lifespan Nursing-Clinical	5
HNR 107	Pharmacology II	2
	Credits	**12**
Year 2		
Fall		
HNR 251	Mental Health Nursing - Lec	2
HNR 252	Mental Health Nursing-Clinical	1
HNR 241	Adv Maternal Child Nursing-Lec	3
HNR 242	Adv Maternal Child Nursing-Cli	2
HNR 221	Acute Care Nursing I	1.5
	Credits	**9.5**
Spring		
HNR 222	Acute Care Nursing II	1.5
HNR 248	Acute Care Nursing - Clinical	4
HNR 261	Nursing Management	3
HNR 262	Nursing Management Clinical	4
	Credits	**12.5**
	Total Credits	**48**

The following courses may be taken during any semester prior to graduation.

Course	Title	Credits
ENG 112	English Composition	4
One Group 1 Humanities course		3
Total Credits		**7**

Program Total 70