Practical Nursing Certificate Program (LPN)

The Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Program at Cecil College has limited enrollment, competitive admissions, and requires specific criteria to be considered for admissions:

1. Receipt and evaluation of official college transcripts indicating a minimum 2.0 G.P.A.
2. Successful completion, with a grade of “C” or better, in the following pre-requisite courses is also required:
   - EGL 101 Freshman Composition
   - BIO 208/218 Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab*
   - MAT 093 Intermediate Algebra or placement beyond MAT 093 as reflected by Cecil College’s skills assessment or successful completion of an acceptable college-level math course.

Note: Entrance into the program is competitive. If the application is incomplete and/or eligibility criteria are not met, the application cannot be processed.

*BIO 101/111 General Biology & Lab is a pre-requisite if taken at Cecil.

BIO 209/219 (Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab) are LPN Program requirements that must be completed with a “C” or better prior to the final LPN summer semester.

In accordance with the policies of many of our clinical facilities as well as in compliance with the recommendations of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing and the Maryland Board of Nursing, Cecil College’s Nursing Program requires all nursing students to submit to criminal background checks and drug screenings. This background check and drug screening will be completed prior to admission to the program and may be repeated during nursing program progression as deemed necessary. All students must be successfully cleared via a background check and drug screening to be admitted to the clinical facilities. If a student is not successfully cleared, he or she may not enter a clinical setting and therefore will be unable to meet the Nursing Program requirements.

Program applicants are advised that the Maryland Board of Nursing, as well as any other State Board of Nursing, may deny licensure to any individual it deems to be unsuitable for the practice of nursing. Examples include, but are not limited to, falsifying application information, habitual intoxication and/or narcotic addiction, convictions or nolo contendere pleas for felonies or crimes of moral turpitude, whether or not appeals or other proceedings are pending or in progress. (Maryland’s Nurse Practice Act: January 2011)

If accepted into the Nursing Program students will be required to provide proof of immunizations along with holding a current Healthcare Provider CPR/AED certification from either the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
LPN Program Selection:
Policies and Procedures

1. All prospective nursing students must first be accepted to Cecil College. Click here for admissions steps to Cecil College. Select LPNC (Licensed Practical Nursing) as your program of study on the admissions application. All new students start their enrollment in the Admissions Office, located in Building A, Room A201, North East Campus. Hours are 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. No appointment is needed.

2. New students may be required to complete the College’s skills assessments in Reading, Writing, and Math. Skills assessments are discussed during your meeting in the Admissions Office. More information is available at http://www.cecil.edu/Admissions-and-Aid/How-to-Apply/Skills-Assessments.asp.

3. Contact the College Information Center at 410-287-1000 to schedule an appointment with the pre-nursing advisor, JoEllen Brackin, ext. 554. This advisor works closely with students pursuing careers in Nursing, therefore, please meet with Ms. Brackin to determine the general education as well as nursing courses you need to complete for Cecil’s Nursing programs. Note: In order to be better served, it is suggested that students bring a copy of all transcripts reflecting coursework completed to this meeting.

4. Transfer credit for required courses may be granted according to Cecil College policy. If you have completed college courses at another institution and wish to transfer these courses to Cecil College, either hand carry an official copy of your transcript to the Registration Office or have an official copy mailed directly to our Registrar.

All transcripts with potential transfer credits must be submitted to the Records and Registration Office, North East Campus by February 28, 2013. To have any applicable course included and considered in your Nursing Application it must appear on your Cecil College transcript. Please be aware that this transfer process takes four to six weeks. Transcripts received after February 28, are not guaranteed to be considered in the upcoming application period. The Records and Registration Office will evaluate courses for transfer. An evaluation will be mailed to the student listing the courses considered and the courses accepted for transfer. Credits, not grades, may be approved for transfer. It is the student’s responsibility to verify that the transfer process has been completed.

The student must have been accepted to Cecil College before transfer credits are officially evaluated. It is the responsibility of the transferring student to: (1) request an official transcript(s) from the transferring institution(s), (2) submit the necessary materials, including copies of appropriate catalogs describing the previous coursework and/or course syllabi, if requested and (3) pursue the status of the evaluation process. Once evaluation of the course(s) is complete, Cecil College will post all accepted transfer courses to the student’s Cecil College transcript. A copy of the Cecil transcript is mailed to the student via the US Postal Service.

5. All Nursing students applying for acceptance into Cecil College’s Nursing Programs are required to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills V (TEAS V). The TEAS V must have been taken after January 2011. Additional information regarding the TEAS V may be found on ATI’s website, www.atitesting.com.

6. Complete the 2013 Nursing Application, found on MyCecil in the Nursing and Health Professions section under the Academics tab. Submit complete application, including all supporting documentation requested, by 2 PM on March 29, 2013 in person to Ms. Harlinski, Room 400-A in the Nursing Department (4th floor Technology Center).

7. The main criteria for acceptance into the LPN Program are student readiness, cumulative grade point average (s), TEAS V assessment score, and successful completion of appropriate coursework. When the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number that Cecil College can accept, priority is given to Cecil County residents.

8. Applications are reviewed in April/May by the Director of Nursing and Health Professions, and applicants are notified in late May of their acceptance status.

9. The LPN Program is a one-year certificate program that commences in the fall semester, continues through the spring semester, and concludes in late July during the summer semester.
Cecil College Nursing Programs

LPN to Associate of Science in Nursing (RN):

The LPN to RN sequence is an option for advanced placement in the Associate Degree Nursing Program for Licensed Practical Nurses who meet the specified criteria. Admission to the LPN to ADN program is based on space available.

1. Meet all admission requirements for the Associate Degree Nursing Program
2. Successful completion of the summer LPN to RN Transition Courses NUR 130/ NUR 131
3. Provide verification of a current, active, and unencumbered Maryland LPN license (or a compact state license)
4. Receipt and evaluation of official college transcripts indicating a minimum 2.0 G.P.A.
5. Successful completion, with a grade of “C” or better, for the following pre-requisite courses is also required:
   - EGL 101 Freshman Composition
   - BIO 208/218 Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab*
   - MAT 093 Intermediate Algebra or placement beyond MAT 093 as reflected by Cecil College’s skills assessment or successful completion of an acceptable college-level math course.

In addition to the coursework above, LPN to RN applicants must also have successfully completed the following required courses before entering Level III of the RN program beginning in the fall:

6. Receipt and evaluation of official college transcripts indicating a minimum 2.0 G.P.A.
7. Successful completion, with a grade of “C” or better, for the following pre-requisite courses is also required:
   - BIO 209/219 Anatomy & Physiology II and Lab
   - BIO 200/210 Microbiology and Lab
   - PSY 201 Human Growth & Development (“D” or better is required)

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If accepted into the Nursing Program students will be required to provide proof of immunizations along with holding a current Healthcare Provider CPR/AED certification from either the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
LPN to RN Program Selection:

Policies and Procedures:

1. All prospective nursing students must first be accepted to Cecil College. Click here for admissions steps to Cecil College. Select NURS (Registered Nursing) as your program of study on the admissions application. All new students start their enrollment in the Admissions Office, located in Building A, Room A201, North East Campus. Hours are 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. No appointment is needed.

2. New students may be required to complete the College’s skills assessments in Reading, Writing, and Math. Skills assessments are discussed during your meeting in the Admissions Office. More information is available at http://www.cecil.edu/Admissions-and-Aid/How-to-Apply/Skills-Assessments.asp

3. Contact the College Information Center at 410-287-1000 to schedule an appointment with the pre-nursing advisor, JoEllen Brackin, ext. 554. This advisor works closely with students pursuing careers in Nursing, therefore, please meet with Ms. Brackin to determine the general education as well as nursing courses you need to complete for Cecil’s Nursing programs. Note: In order to be better served, it is suggested that students bring a copy of all transcripts reflecting coursework completed to this meeting.

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5. All Nursing students applying for acceptance into Cecil College’s Nursing Programs are required to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills V (TEAS V). The TEAS V must have been taken after January 2011.

6. Complete the 2013 Nursing Application, found on MyCecil in the Nursing and Health Professions section under the Academics tab. Submit complete application, including all supporting documentation requested, by 2 PM on March 29, 2013 in person to Ms. Harlinski, Room 400-A in the Nursing Department (4th floor Technology Center).

7. The main criteria for acceptance into the LPN to RN Program are student readiness, cumulative grade point average (s), TEAS V assessment score, and successful completion of appropriate coursework. When the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number that Cecil College can accept, priority is given to Cecil County residents.

8. Applications are reviewed in April/May by the Director of Nursing and Health Professions, and applicants are notified in late May of their acceptance status.

9. The LPN to RN Program is a one-year associate degree program that commences in the summer semester with LPN transition coursework, continues through the fall semester (Level III of the RN Program), and concludes in May during the spring semester.
Cecil College Nursing Programs

Associate of Science in Nursing (RN)

The Registered Nurse (RN) Program at Cecil College has limited enrollment, competitive admissions, and requires the following specific minimum criteria to be considered for admissions:

1. Receipt and evaluation of official college transcripts indicating a minimum 2.0 G.P.A.
2. Successful completion, with a grade of “C” or better, for the following pre-requisite courses is also required:
   - EGL 101 Freshman Composition
   - BIO 208/218 Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab*
     *BIO 101/111 General Biology & Lab is a pre-requisite if taken at Cecil
   - MAT 093 Intermediate Algebra or placement beyond MAT 093 as reflected by Cecil College’s skills assessment or successful completion of an acceptable college-level math course.

Note: Entrance into the program is competitive. If the application is incomplete and/or eligibility criteria are not met, the application cannot be processed.

BIO 209/219 (Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab) and BIO 200/210 (Microbiology and Lab) are RN Program requirements that must be completed with a “C” or better prior to the third semester of the RN Program.

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If accepted into the Nursing Program students will be required to provide proof of immunizations along with holding a current Healthcare Provider CPR/AED certification from either the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
**RN Program Selection:**

**Policies and Procedures**

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4. Despite prior college coursework, you may be required to complete the College’s skills assessments in Reading, English, or Math. No appointment is necessary for assessment testing; however, hours vary throughout the year. Contact the assessment center at 410-287-1015 for their schedule. Please be assured that the skills assessment is to help you know where to begin, not to deter you from pursuing your goals. You may be exempt from taking these assessments depending on your SAT/ACT scores or prior college coursework.

5. Transfer credit for required courses may be granted according to Cecil College policy. If you have completed college courses at another institution and wish to transfer these courses to Cecil College, either hand carry an [official copy](http://www.cecil.edu/Admissions-and-Aid/How-to-Apply/Skills-Assessments.asp) of your transcript to the Registration Office or have an official copy mailed directly to our Registrar.

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9. Applications are reviewed in April/May by the Director of Nursing and Health Professions, and applicants are notified in late May of their acceptance status.

10. The RN Program is a two-year associate degree program that commences in the fall semester of the first year and concludes in May of the second year.

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