

## Academic Progression

In order to progress within the nursing curriculum, the student must meet the following criteria:

- The student must maintain a “C” in all nursing theory classes and practicums to progress to the next level of courses
- A failed/attempted nursing course must be repeated the next time the course is offered, based on availability of space in the course. A nursing course may be repeated only once, and only two nursing courses may be repeated. Following a second failure/attempt in that nursing course the student will be dismissed from the program.
- An attempted course is defined as “any enrollment in any course and dropping it or changing it to an audit after the first day of the 8th week of the semester during the Fall or Spring semester, or failure of the course with a D or F.
- Students must achieve a passing grade of “C” in all the Theories and corresponding Practicum courses in order to progress within the program. Students who repeat a theories course are required to show practicum competency in order to progress. Students who repeat Practicum are required to show theoretical competency in order to progress.
  - Practicum competence can be attained by: 1) taking for credit the corresponding practicum course or 2) Completing RN 2115, Practicum for ADN I and RN 2116 Practicum for ADN II with a grade of “C” or better.
  - Theoretical competence can be attained by: 1) taking for credit the corresponding theoretical competencies and maintaining a 75% average on all exams or 2) taking a comprehensive theory exam for the corresponding theoretical courses and achieving a 75% or greater.
- The drug calculation test will be given in Pharmacology I a total of three times. Before practicing in the clinical setting, the student must demonstrate competence in medication administration by passing the exam with a score of 92%. Prior to the second week of clinical, the drug calculation test must be passed with a score of 100%. Failure to make 100% on the drug calculation test by the third attempt will result in remediation and possible failure of Practicum I.
- To successfully complete the Nursing program all level three nursing students will take the ATI- RN Comprehensive Predictor Test. The examination simulates the NCLEX-RN and provides feedback for the student of their overall knowledge and comprehension of the nursing courses. The examination is given at the end of the second semester prior to final exams. The passing score for the ATI- RN Comprehensive Predictor Test is determined by the nursing department using the data from the national standardized test.
- Applications for submission to the State Board of Nursing to write the NCLEX exam and receive a temporary permit will be released **only after** the student has successfully passed the ATI- RN Comprehensive Predictor Test. Any student not achieving a passing score on the 1st attempt must complete a review as set by the faculty prior to a 2nd attempt on the exam. Any student not achieving a passing score on the 2nd attempt at the exam must meet with faculty to discuss the review necessary prior to subsequent attempts. The student must wait at least three weeks between the 2nd and 3rd attempt.
- All coursework must be passed with a “C” or higher in each level to progress to the next level.
- The nursing program must be completed within two years of entry into the technical phase

of the program.

- The student must continue to hold an active unencumbered LPN license throughout their time in the program.
- See Appendix G in the RNP Handbook for specific information on appeals committee

### **Readmission Candidates**

A student who fails or leaves the program for any reason must re-apply for admission. A student who withdraws from any nursing course with a grade less than a “C” may not be eligible for re-admission. This will be determined on a case-by-case basis after reviewing the student’s course work and practicum performance and evaluations. A student who leaves the program for any reason with a disciplinary action on record will not be eligible for readmission.