



CISCO COLLEGE

## REGISTERED NURSING (A.A.S)

LVN-RN BRIDGE PROGRAM

HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION



Registered nurses (RNs) provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions, and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members. Most RNs work as part of a team with physicians and other healthcare specialists. Registered nurses oversee licensed practical nurses, nursing assistants, home health aides, and unlicensed personnel.

Registered nurses' duties and titles often depend on where they work and the patients with whom they work. For example, an oncology nurse works with cancer patients while a geriatric nurse works

with elderly patients. Some RNs combine one or more areas of practice. For example a pediatric oncology nurse works with children and teens that have cancer. Many possibilities for working with specific patient groups exist and provided are a few examples:

Addiction nurses care for patients who need help overcoming addictions to drugs, alcohol, or other substances.

Cardiovascular nurses care for patients with heart disease and those who have had heart surgery.

Critical care nurses work in intensive-care units and provide care to patients with serious, complex, and/or acute illnesses and injuries.

Neonatal nurses take care of newborn babies.

Rehabilitation nurses care for patients with temporary or permanent disabilities.

### TASKS

- Care for the ill and injured
- Administer medication and treatment
- Document symptoms and medical histories
- Monitor patients' recovery
- Work as an essential part of the patients' healthcare team

### SALARY DATA

National Median Wage:  
**\$73,300/year**  
vv(BLS.gov 2019)

### WORK ENVIRONMENT

- Work in medical care facilities or hospitals
- Often a physical job
- Fast paced
- Some night, weekend, and holiday shifts may be required

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DAY, EVENING ,  
& ONLINE CLASSES

FALL & SPRING  
SEMESTERS

ABILENE LOCATION

## PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- See the CTE Health Science counselor to make sure you are college ready and have the TSI (*Texas Success Initiative*) complete.
- Participate in student advisement with the Director of Health Sciences Assistant or Allied Health Counselor prior to applying.
- Complete all prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of a “C” or better and “B” for Sciences** (GPA of 3.0 or higher).
- Complete an application** for the semester entry.
- Take the **HESI** (*Health Education System, Inc.*) **nursing admission exam prior to program admission** as a determination for entry. A score of 75% or greater is required (*one retake is allowed*).
- Upon acceptance into the program, applicants will be required to pass a **background check** and **drug analysis**. Certain convictions may result in denial (should you have a conviction of Class B or above, please contact the Health Science Assistance). A 10-panel urine drug screen is required after acceptance. Please use Any Lab Test Now and let them know you are a Cisco College Student.
- Satisfy healthcare agency requirements by **providing a copy of your immunization record** (titer or immunization) indicating proof of the following:
  - Negative Tuberculin skin test- yearly
  - Flu vaccine- yearly
  - Hepatitis B- Series of 3 (*takes up to 6 months to complete*)
  - Tuberculin skin test-yearly
  - Mumps, Measles, Rubella- x2
  - Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis- TDAP
- After students have graduated from the ADN program, they can apply to Texas Tech University for their 2 semester on-line program. This is a result of an articulation agreement between Texas Tech University and Cisco College.

## LVN TO ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING

### PREREQUISITES- 24 HRS

BIOL 2421 Microbiology	4
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 2402 Anatomy & Physiology II	4
PSYC 2301 General Psychology	3
ENGL 1301 English Composition I	3
HPRS 2301 Pathophysiology	3
PSYC 2314 Lifespan, Growth, & Development	3

### FIRST SEMESTER - 12 HRS

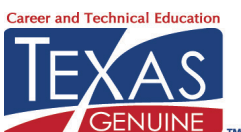
RNSG 1118 Transition to Professional Nursing	1
RNSG 1128 Intro to Health Care Concepts	1
RNSG 1361 Clinical Transition	3
RNSG 1424 Concept-Based Transition to Professional Nursing	4
RNSG 1331 Principals of Clinical Decision-Making	3

### SECOND SEMESTER - 12 HRS

Humanities or Fine Arts	3
RNSG 1137 Prof. Nursing Concepts III	1
RNSG 1538 Health Care Concepts III	5
RNSG 2360 Clinical III	3

### THIRD SEMESTER - 12 HRS

RNSG 2230 Professional Nursing NCLEX Review	2
RNSG 2238 Prof. Nursing Concepts IV	2
RNSG 2539 Health Care Concepts IV	5
RNSG 2361 Clinical IV	3



CHECK OUT ALL THE OPTIONAL NURSING PATHWAYS  
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## ADMITTANCE CRITERIA

Score of 75% or higher on the HESI A2  
(Health Education System, Inc.)

Minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher in  
all pre-requisite courses.

Completion of all pre-requisite courses  
prior to starting the program.

Must be a licensed LVN in the State  
of Texas.