



FACT SHEET FOR PRACTICAL NURSES OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES ENTERING THE FOUR YEAR USASK BSN PROGRAM

Students who are graduates of the revised Saskatchewan Polytechnic Practical Nursing (PN) Program (first graduates in 2008) and are currently a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) (or eligible for licensure) in Saskatchewan will receive up to 27 transfer credit units towards the four year **Bachelor of Science in Nursing** (BSN) program. For those who did not graduate from Saskatchewan Polytechnic LPN program, each case will be assessed for possible credit.

The BSN program is non-direct entry and consists of a pre-professional year, followed by three years of nursing education once admitted to the program. Admission to nursing is competitive, based on the cumulative average in the pre-professional year classes.

Course Credits Applied

Course Credits Applied to Pre-Professional Year	Course Credits Applied to Year Two
<p>The pre-professional year consists of 10 courses. PNs or LPNs receive credit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Science elective – for SOCI 160 or 260 <p>The following nine courses still need to be completed to be considered for admission to year two of the BSN program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 111, 112, 113, 114, 120 or PHIL 133.3 • Indigenous Studies 107.3 • Humanities elective (3 credit units) • Biology 120.3 • Statistics STAT: 242, 244, 245 or COMM 104 or PSY 233 or SOC 225 or PLSC 214 • Psychology 120 or 121 • Nutrition 120 • Anatomy NURS 120.3 • Sociology 112.3 	<p>PNs or LPNs receive credit for the following year two courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NURS 202.3 – Assessment and Components of Care I • NURS 204.3 – Communication and Professional Relationships • NURS 206.1 – Foundational Care in Clinical Practice • NURS 220.3 – Concepts of Patient and Family Centered Care • NURS 221.3 – Patient and Family Centered Care in Practice • NURS 207.3 & 208.3 – Human Body Systems for Nursing I & II (transfer credit based on having completed APHY 162 and APHY 262)

For more information on the specific courses, please review the [pre-professional year course requirements](#).

Course Plan for PNs or LPNs Entering the BSN Program

Outlined below is a course plan to complete years 2 - 4 of the BSN program.

Year Two	Year Three	Year Four
<p>Complete year two of the BSN program as follows:</p> <p>Term 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NURS 200.3 – Nursing Foundations: Perspectives and Influences • PHAR 250.3 – Pharmacology for Nursing <p>Term 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NURS 201.3 – Perspectives on Health, Wellness and Diversity in a Global Context • NURS 203.3 – Assessment and Components of Care II NOTE: NURS 203 can be challenged for credit but must request to do so by the add/drop deadline for Term 1. The challenge for credit must be completed in Term 1. The challenge for credit includes a care plan and OSCE stations; materials will be provided within a week of application. • NURS 205.3 – Research for Evidence Informed Practice • MCIM 223.3 – Microbiology for Nurses 	<p>Complete year three of the BSN program</p>	<p>Complete year four of the BSN program</p>