YOU CAN SEE YOUR FUTURE FROM HERE
Enrollment and acceptance into the competitive LPN-ADN Nursing program
LPN – ADN Nursing Program

The nursing program at Boulder County Campus offers an advanced placement option for students who are licensed as a practical nurse in Colorado. Advanced placement through transfer, the Colorado Nursing Articulation Model, is available to licensed practical nurses and students from other schools.

Boulder County campus offers the Advanced Placement Program as a cohort of twenty-four (24) students each summer.

Getting Started

Entry into the LPN-to-ADN Bridge Program is based on a competitive admission process that utilizes the following:

- Students will fill out a preadmission form that shows they have appropriate credentials to sit for the HESI exam.

- The Preadmission form must include:
  - a copy of transcripts (if not from Front Range)
  - a copy of their current PN license

Before You Start: Preadmission Packet

(*Printable/Fillable Form Appendix A)

1. A current Colorado LPN license in good standing.

2. If transferring classes to FRCC, completion of a "Transfer Credit Evaluation Form" (Department of Admissions and Records)

3. Proof of completion of the following prerequisites with a grade of "C" or above on each course and a cumulative GPA of 2.75 for these courses.
   - ENG 121 English Composition I
   - BIO 201* Human Anatomy and Physiology I
   - BIO 202* Human Anatomy and Physiology II
   - BIO 204* Microbiology
   - PSY 235 Human Growth and Development
   - BIO 216* Pathophysiology
   - HPR 108 Dietary Nutrition or HWE 100 Human Nutrition
   - MAT 103 Math for Clinical Calculations or above

* Science courses must have been completed within seven years of entry into the second year of the nursing program to be eligible for transfer approval.

4. LPNs who have earned their certificate after more than 10 years prior to entry into the second year of the nursing program are required to take specified standardized exams for the first year of nursing credit, as specified by the Colorado Nursing Articulation Model.

   Students must complete an online background check within 90 days prior to admission. Refer to frontrange.edu/BCCNursing/ for details.

5. Complete a health summary with documented records for required immunizations or titers (just prior to entrance into the nursing program).

6. Complete the American Heart Association Health Care Provider course and receive a two-year recommended renewal date. It must be Professional BLS (basic life support). The recommended renewal date must not expire prior to completion of the semester and must remain current throughout the nursing program.
7. Ability to speak, read, write and understand English to communicate sufficiently with patients and health-care team.

8. Students accepted into the nursing program must meet the same health and safety requirements as the participating clinical facilities require of their own staff. Additional screening may be required for some clinical agencies. The expenses of these requirements are additional cost to students.

9. Other requirements and expectations are contained within the FRCC Nursing Handbook (including the REQUIRED STANDARDS POLICY).

**HESI Exams and Timing:**

The HESI (Health Education Systems, Inc) assessment exams are offered at the Testing Center at Boulder County Campus. Refer to frontrange.edu/BCCNursing/ for HESI exam deadlines. Students must have completed requirements for the Bridge Program admission. (However, students may be currently enrolled in some prerequisite courses if they will be satisfactorily completed prior to the beginning of NUR 189.) Students wishing to sit for the preadmission assessment examination must submit an application attesting to completion (or near completion) of requirements. Contact department for policy regarding transferring from another Bridge or ADN program.

Qualified students will be provided with dates and times that they may take the preadmission assessment at Boulder County Campus. Important: Once you receive your HESI Entrance Exam Form you are qualified to take the HESI at the BCC Testing Center: You must reserve your spot at the Testing Center within 10 days of receiving your Entrance Exam Form. Please notify the Nursing Department by email with your test date: mary.torbetti@frontrange.edu.

Preadmission assessment scores will be shared with applicants. If appropriate, suggestions will be given regarding how to improve in weaker areas. Students may retake the entire preadmission assessment exam again once, after six months (contact department for policy); the most current scores will be used for the competitive admission process.

**Current LPN and Nursing Coursework**

Note: Upon successful completion of the nursing program, students receive an associate of applied science degree and are eligible to apply to take the NCLEX® RN exam for licensure as a registered nurse.

To maintain a position in the program after starting nursing courses, students must be continually enrolled and complete all core nursing courses in sequence, as well as maintain a grade of C or above in all courses.

Only one re-entry to an FRCC nursing program is allowed after a student receives a "D," "F," or "U" grade in a nursing course or withdraws from a nursing course.

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**Total Required Nursing Courses** 25.5

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**Total Required General Education Courses** 29

**Total Credits Required for AAS Degree** (in addition to credits transferred in from LPN program) 54.5
Competitive Admissions for LPN–ADN Program

Parts of Admission Assessment:
- HESI A2 exam scores from BCC-administered exam. The sum of the following sub-test scores will be used to calculate admissions scores.
  a. Reading Comprehension
  b. Vocabulary/General Knowledge
  c. Grammar
  d. Anatomy & Physiology
  e. Mathematics

Minimum score for all subtests is 75, except one subtest may be as low as 70. Additionally, although not utilized to calculate admission scores, students must take the Learning Styles and Personality Profile sub-tests.
- Computed prerequisite GPA of science courses
- Computed GPA of all nursing courses taken

Scoring:
- Number of points assigned for HESI is the average score of the five subtests.
  - Additional points are given for each subtest:
    - 80.0 – 89.99% - 3 additional points
    - 90.0 – 100% - 5 additional points

Maximum HESI Score = 140 points
- Science prerequisite points = GPA x 10

Maximum Science GPA Score = 40
- Nursing points = previous nursing GPA x 10

Maximum NUR GPA Score = 40
- Previous degree points
  - Associate degree = 10
  - Bachelor degree = 20
  - Graduate degree = 30 (points may be assigned for only one degree)

Maximum Degree Score = 30
- Maximum score = 250

Transfer Policy: BCC Practical Nurse and ADN Programs:
The following transfer policy has been implemented for admission to both the Practical Nursing Program and the LPN to ADN Bridge Programs for students desiring to transfer from other nursing programs:
- Transfer students are accepted on a space-available basis only.
- Transfer students must have completed all prerequisites to the program in accordance with program admission and GPA requirements.
- Transfer students must achieve an average of 80% on the BCC-administered appropriate HESI preadmission assessment with no score lower than 80% on any of the five required subtests:
  - Anatomy and Physiology
  - Grammar
  - Mathematics
  - Reading Comprehension
  - Vocabulary/General Understanding
- No transfer student will be accepted who has failed more than one previous nursing course

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT DISCLOSURE INFORMATION
The U.S. Department of Education requires colleges to disclose a variety of information for any financial-aid-eligible program that "prepares students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation." The information provided here is the best available to us but represents one year's data only. We hope that this information is helpful to our current students and to prospective students as they make their career and educational choices. For more Gainful Employment information, please go to the FRCC website: www.frontrange.edu/GainfulEmployment.
If you are accepted into the LPN – ADN Bridge Program, be aware of the following:

1. If you are accepted into the **LPN-RN Bridge Program**, a mandatory Nursing Orientation will be scheduled during the last week of April or first week of May, in preparation for the Summer Semester start of the Program (please see the [Academic Calendar](#) for semester dates). If you are unable to attend Orientation on the scheduled day, you will forfeit your position in the Program.

2. You must complete an online background check at [www.healthcareex.com](http://www.healthcareex.com) as directed by a nursing representative within 90 days prior to admission. Be aware that it can sometimes take six – eight weeks for this background check.

3. The following criminal offenses appearing on a criminal background check will disqualify an applicant for admission to a CCCS nursing program:
   - Any violent felony convictions of homicide. (No time limit)
   - Crimes of violence (assault, sexual offenses, arson, kidnapping, any crime against an at-risk adult or juvenile, etc.) as defined in section 18-1.3-406 C.R.S. in the 10 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any offense involving unlawful sexual behavior in the 10 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any crime, the underlying basis of which has been found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic violence, as defined in section 18-6-800.3 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any crime of child abuse, as defined in section 18-6-401 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any crime related to the sale, possession, distribution or transfer of narcotics or controlled substances in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any felony theft crimes in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any misdemeanor theft crimes in the 5 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Any offense of sexual assault on a client by a psychotherapist, as defined in section 18-3-405.5 C.R.S. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Crimes of moral turpitude (prostitution, public lewdness/exposure, etc.) in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.
   - Registered Sex Offenders. (No time limit)
   - Any offense in another state, the elements of which are substantially similar to the elements of any of the above offenses.
   - More than one (1) D.U.I. in the 7 years immediately preceding the submittal of application.

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Date: __________________________

Last Name: ______________________ First Name: ____________________ Middle Initial: ___

Former Name (if any): __________________________________________

Student S Number: ______________________

Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________________________

City: ______________________ State: __________________ Zip: ______________________

Student Email: ________________________@student.cccs.edu  Telephone 1: __________________

Personal Email: _________________________________________   Telephone 2: __________________

This is a request to sit for the HESI Preadmission Assessment Examination in order to be considered for admission to the FRCC - Boulder County Campus LPN – ADN Bridge Program. I understand that there are requirements that I must complete in order to be eligible to take this assessment exam. (Answer questions next to each requirement.)

- I have earned the follow degree (s).  CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY:       Associates  Bachelor  Masters
- I possess a current Colorado LPN license in good standing.  Circle:    YES     NO
- I earned my PN certificate within the last 10 years.  Circle:    YES     NO
  - LPNs who have earned their certificate after more than 10 years prior to entry into the second year of the nursing program are required to take specified standardized exams for the first year of nursing credit, as specified by the Colorado Nursing Articulation Model.
- I understand that the following courses are required; with a minimum grade of C. (Prerequisite courses must be satisfactorily completed prior to the beginning of NUR 189.) I also understand that courses marked with an asterisk (*) must have been completed within the last seven years and that a minimum GPA of 2.75 is required in prerequisite courses. (I also understand that if I am transferring from another college, I need to complete a "Transfer Credit Evaluation Form" for the Admissions and Records Department.)

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Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ________________

Submit this completed form
Deliver in person to the FRCC Boulder County Campus (2121 Miller Drive, Longmont, CO 80501),
or send by email to Mary.Torbett@frontrange.edu.
Please see reverse for important information