

**A.D.N. to B.S.N. NURSING**

**GUIDED PATHWAY: ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN REGISTERED NURSING (A.D.N.) TO BACHELOR SCIENCE IN NURSING (B.S.N.)** For more information, visit [www.laredo.edu/](http://www.laredo.edu/) and your academic advisor.

**A.D.N.-R.N. to B.S.N.:** An A.D.N.-R.N. to B.S.N. is a bridge program for licensed registered nurses who have either a diploma or an associate degree in nursing and are looking to obtain their bachelor's degree in nursing.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree in Nursing.<sup>1</sup> For official degree requirements, [click here](#).

Visit [Career Pathways](#) to view guided pathways created for students who complete an AAS degree and the options for transfer. Speak with an academic advisor at your college to choose courses that will help you to transfer to a specific university



**COLLEGE READINESS REQUIREMENTS (only for the AAS)**

Enrolling in one or more courses may be necessary if assessment activities and previous academic experiences indicate a need for additional knowledge and skills:

READING & WRITING PLACEMENT	MATH PLACEMENT	ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY
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Exemptions/waivers may exist. Speak with an academic advisor regarding placement in college readiness courses and your ability to enroll in core academic coursework.

**SEMESTER BY SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS<sup>1</sup>**

D		CORE & PREREQUISITES	ACTION ITEMS
◆		ENGL 1301 – Composition I (C)	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals before starting the program and at the end of the semester. <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with a nursing department advisor to receive application instructions.
◆		ENGL 1302 – Composition II (C)	
◆		XXXX ****- Language, Philosophy, and Culture (C)	
◆		XXXX **** - Creative Arts (C)	
◆		MATH 1342 – Statistics (C)	
◆		PSYC 2301– General Psychology (C)	
◆		PSYC 2314 – Lifespan Growth & Development	
◆		HIST 1301 – United States History I (C)	
◆		HIST 1302 – United States History II (C)	
◆		GOVT 2305 – Federal Government (C)	
◆		GOVT 2306 – Texas Government (C)	
◆		BIOL 2301– Anatomy and Physiology I (Lecture) (C)	
◆		BIOL 2101 – Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory	
◆		BIOL 2302– Anatomy and Physiology II (Lecture) (C)	
◆		BIOL 2102 – Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory	
◆		BIOL 2320 – Microbiology for Non-Science Majors	
◆		BIOL 2120 – Microbiology for Non-Science Majors Laboratory	
◆		XXXX**** - Component Area (C) SPCH/COSC	
◆		KINE 1304 – Personal/Community Health (C)	

**TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 10**

D		SEMESTER 1	ACTION ITEMS
◆		NURS 3315 - Professional Role Development for the Bachelor's Prepared Nurse	Note: Students who have 6 hours of component area credit upon submitting their BSN application will not be required to take any additional hours.
◆		NURS 3312 - Holistic Health Assessment	
◆		NURS 3316 - Nursing Research: Evidence-based Decision Making	
◆		NURS 3314 - Legal and Ethical Principles in Nursing	

**TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 15**

D		SEMESTER 2	ACTION ITEMS
◆		NURS 3313 - Gerontology	
◆		NURS 4433 Applied Nursing Research: Quality health care and Best practices	
◆		NURS 4431 Leadership and Management: Professional approach to healthcare Issues	
◆		NURS 4432 Nursing Informatics	

**TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12**

D		SEMESTER 3	ACTION ITEMS
◆		**NURS 4401 Community Nursing: Population and Culture (Capstone)	
◆		**NURS 4260 Community Nursing Clinical (Capstone)	

**TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 6**

**Associates Degree in Nursing Credits 36 --Total Nursing course credit upon completion of BSN 120 Credit Hours**

1. Degree plans may change in later catalogs. Be sure to consult with your advisor if you are continuing on an older degree plan.
2. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours (15 hours) required for graduation through instruction by Laredo College awarding the degree.
3. \*\*Capstone Experience
4. \*\*\*\*Language, Philosophy, and Culture must be selected from ENGL 2322, ENGL 2323, ENGL 2326, ENGL2327, ENGL 2328, ENGL 2332, ENGL 2333, ENGL 2351, PHIL 1301, PHIL 2306.
5. Creative Arts courses must be selected from ARTS 1301, ARTS 1303, ARTS 1304, DANC 2303, DRAM 1310, MUSI 1306, MUSI 1308, MUSI 1309, MUSI 1310.

**C** This course counts for the Core Curriculum at any public college or university in Texas.

## Certification and Licensure Information

A.D.N. and B.S.N. graduates both take the same NCLEX-RN licensure exam, therefore obtaining the B.S.N. at Laredo College does not require retaking the NCLEX-RN exam. This pathway provides the degree not an additional certification or licensure. Students desiring admissions to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program require a current unencumbered registered nursing license. Please meet with a Nursing Department Advisor to receive information.

## Career Information

### Common Job Titles

Registered Nurse; RN BSN

The A.D.N.-to-B.S.N. degree at Laredo College will cultivate leadership skills, emphasize the evaluation and application of nursing research, community health, and the use of informatics in health care. These skills will augment the professional attributes of licensed professional registered nurses (RNs). Upon graduation, students will be prepared to practice in progressive health care arenas, understand the importance of evidence-based-practice (EBP) and lifelong learning, and/or apply to advanced practice degree programs.

### Regional Labor Market Information

According to PayScale.com, most entry-level RNs earned salaries ranging from \$39,000-\$73,000 in 2022, with a median wage of \$77,600. On the other hand, the average salary for an RN possessing a BSN degree was higher at \$58,928.

Source: [www.payscale.com](http://www.payscale.com)

### Career and labor market research tools

Bureau of Labor Statistics: <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>, O\*NET: <https://www.onetonline.org/>

Laredo College Career Coach [Laredo College Workforce Division](#)

**Career Resources:** Laredo College career services website provides information on [career exploration](#) and [employment](#). Click [here](#) for more information transfer resources. Students are encouraged to consult with their area of study advisor for additional career assistance. The above information is provided as a guide and reference tool for occupations related to this program. This is not a guarantee of job placement in any of these occupations after successful completion of an LC program. The common job titles listed are representative titles and are provided for career research. These are not the only occupations possible in this area of study.

## Transfer Information

**Transfer Guides:** The universities listed here do not constitute a Laredo College endorsement. Transfer course evaluations and determination of which courses will count toward a Master's degree are made by the receiving transfer institution.

**Texas A&M International University:** [www.tamui.edu](http://www.tamui.edu)

**Tyler University:** <https://www.uttyler.edu/>

**Additional Transfer Resources:** Laredo College [transfer planning guide website](#) provides information on additional colleges & universities.

Students are encouraged to consult with a faculty advisor, area of study advisor, and/or their chosen transfer institution to ensure courses taken at LC will apply toward their bachelor's degree program.