



LPN to RN Bridge Program

Admission Booklet

2026-2027

Performance Requirements

The following are examples of activities that you will be required to perform to complete any Allied Health or Nursing program successfully:

1. **Critical Thinking:** Possess critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical and class judgment. Example: You must be able to identify cause and effect relationships in clinical situations, participate in the development of nursing care plans, etc.
2. **Ethical Behavior:** Provide services with respect for human dignity and the uniqueness of the patient/client, unrestricted by consideration of socioeconomic status, personal attributes, or the nature of health problems. Example: You will care for assigned patients/clients regardless of race, religion, or diagnosis.
3. **Legal Behavior:** Provide care within the scope of practice as stated in the North Carolina Nursing Practice Act. Example: You will learn to assess the patient's/client's physical and mental health.
4. **Interpersonal Skills:** Possess interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, groups, etc., from a variety of psychosocial cultural backgrounds. Example: You will establish rapport with patients/clients and healthcare team members by behaving in a professional, courteous manner.
5. **Communication Skills:** Possess communication abilities sufficient for verbal and nonverbal interaction with others, regardless of language or physical barrier. Example: You will be able to clearly explain treatment procedures to patients/clients/family, document patient/client responses, and report to others regarding nursing care.
6. **Mobility:** Possess physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, maneuver in small spaces, and stand and walk for extended periods. Example: You will be able to ambulate within the room, transfer patients, and assist with procedures.
7. **Motor Skills:** Possess gross and fine motor skills sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care. Example: You will be able to calibrate equipment, position patients/clients, administer injections, etc.
8. **Hearing Skills:** Possess auditory ability sufficient to monitor health needs and collect data. Example: You will be able to identify alarms, listen to heart and breath sounds, and hear a cry for help.
9. **Visual Skills:** Possess visual ability sufficient for observation and data collection. Example: You will be able to observe the color of the skin and read the scale on a syringe.
10. **Tactile Skills:** Possess tactile ability sufficient for data collection. Example: You will be able to detect pulsation and feel skin temperature.
11. **Weight Bearing:** Possess the ability to lift and manipulate/move 40-50 pounds. Example: You will be able to move equipment, position patients, etc.

LPN to RN Bridge Program Admission Process

Please see the website regarding application deadlines.

LPN to RN Bridge Program is a competitive admission program beginning in the summer of each year. The program is a one-year degree, and all applicants must meet the minimum requirements to be considered for admission. **However, meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.**

All applicants must complete Phases I and II listed below. Qualified applications will be ranked based on a points system.

To be eligible for consideration for this program, each applicant must:

1. Submit a current, unrestricted LPN license per the NCBON requirements. The LPN license must be a North Carolina or compact/multi-state license and be valid as of the date of application to the program. Work experience is not required, but is *strongly* recommended by the nursing faculty.

Phase I: Complete your SPCC Admissions File

- ☐ Complete the SPCC General **Application for Admissions**

Must be within the last year or have taken a general education course at SPCC within the last year.

- ☐ Submit **official high school transcripts** (or adult high school/high school equivalent transcript).

All applicants are required to submit transcripts; however, if you hold an associate degree or higher, a high school transcript is not required.

***Current Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) will have CNA and chemistry requirements waived**

- ☐ Submit **official college transcripts** for all colleges listed on your application

All transcripts are required, even if the courses will not apply to this program. Transcripts are typically evaluated within 72 hours of receipt. The Registrar will notify applicants which classes will successfully transfer to South Piedmont Community College.

Phase II: Complete the Practical Nursing Program Requirements

- ☐ **Complete the information request form** to obtain the Phase II application document.

Check the LPN to RN Bridge Program website for upcoming dates and changes.

- ☐ Completion of **ENG 111**

- ☐ Completion of **BIO 168**

- ☐ Completion of **BIO 169**

- ☐ Completion of **PSY 150**
- ☐ **If general education courses are completed at institutions other than South Piedmont Community College, official transcripts must be received in the SPCC Admissions Office by the application deadline. There are no time limits on transfer courses at this time.**
- ☐ Earn a grade of **“C” or higher in all completed general education courses** listed on the Practical Nursing Diploma curriculum map (see page 9)
- ☐ Have a **GPA of 3.0 or higher in completed general education courses listed in the Practical Nursing Diploma Curriculum Map** (see page 9)
- ☐ Take the ATI PN predictor. There is a minimal fee for the exam. Applicants may take the exam every 30 days or as often as the exam is offered.
 - Test scores are valid for a period of two years. There is no minimum score; the score you receive will be used as your points in the application process.
 - There are no required scores for the PN Predictor test. It is strictly a ranking tool for the top applicants.
 - PN Predictor scores will be accepted from other facilities.
 - To prep for the test, students may access BoardVitals through the SPCC library. Contact your Success Coach for more information

The above documentation must be legible and have the student's name and date of completion.

Once all items above have been completed, send documentation to healthadmissions@spcc.edu. You must have all the items above to complete the application successfully and be considered for entry to the program.

Application Review Check List – Please submit this checklist and all documentation with the final application.

Completed all requirements in Phases I and II.

- ☐ **Submit proof of your current unrestricted practical nursing license.**
- ☐ **Submit proof of your current CPR card (must be for AHA healthcare providers)**
- ☐ **All current college transcripts are on file and have been evaluated for transfer credit, documentation of completion of ENG 111, BIO 168, BIO 169 and PSY 150.**
- ☐ **Documentation of completion OR preregistration of BIO 275 and ENG 112 or ENG 114. (These courses must be completed before the start of the program)**
- ☐ **Any completed coursework on Page 7 with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and a C or higher in all courses**
- ☐ **Completed Phase II application**
- ☐ **Take the PN predictor test** taken within 2 years of application deadline (see instructions on page 6).

- **Copy of SPCC Advising Transcript with transfer credits evaluated.** Copies of all college transcripts are evaluated and on file with the SPCC Registrar.

The above documentation must be legible and have the student's name and date of completion.

After conditional acceptance is granted by the admissions office, applicants must provide successful completion of the following:

- Attend mandatory nursing orientation and information session on the date indicated on the applicants *conditionally acceptance* letter.
- Submit **SPCC Student Medical Form**. The medical form will be provided to applicants who are *conditionally* accepted to the LPN-ADN program at the mandatory orientation. The **SPCC Student Medical Form** must be completed by a physician, physician's assistant, or a nurse practitioner by the date given on the conditionally accepted letter.
- **Background Checks and Drug Screening-** Candidates accepted for admission to health services programs at SPCC are required to complete a criminal background check and drug screening. Based on the results of the checks, hospitals or clinical affiliates where the student will participate in on-site training may deny access to their facility, resulting in the student's inability to complete the clinical portion of training. **Students unable to complete the clinical portion of his or her training will be unable to progress in the program.** Students are responsible for paying all costs associated with this requirement.

SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants seeking admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program will be ranked and the top 16 applicants will be accepted to the program based on a point system. Acceptance into the program is based on seat availability. Applicants accepted for admission must complete all admission requirements by the date specified in their acceptance letter. *Applicants who fail to complete all admission requirements for the LPN-ADN program will forfeit their acceptance to the next available candidate on the rank list.*

ALTERNATE LIST

The applicants on the alternate list are ranked by the point system. As vacancies arise on the acceptance list, applicants on the alternate list are contacted by Admissions in rank order and offered acceptance to the program. Applicants on the alternate list who are not offered acceptance to the LPN-ADN program for the year in which they have applied to enter, will **not** be carried over to a waiting list the following year. Instead, the alternate list on which their name appeared will be dissolved and each applicant must submit another application if they wish to be considered for admission in a subsequent year. They will again be ranked along with the other applicants for the year.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I apply for admission to the LPN to RN Bridge program?

- Complete Phases I and II of the admissions requirements listed previously.
- Collect proof of LPN nursing license, ATI PN Predictor Score Report, and any additional documentation to meet minimum requirements, if applicable.

When are students admitted into the LPN to RN Bridge Nursing program?

- Students are admitted during the summer each year.
- Notification of acceptance/regrets will be sent via email within one month of the deadline.
- Selection is based on the highest points earned (see selection below).
- **All health programs have limited seats, and admission is competitive.**

How do I earn points?

Points Item	Criteria	Score/Points
PN Predictor Score	The total score will be added as points; within 2 years of deadline	
BIO 168	A=30, B=15	
BIO 169	A=30, B=15	
BIO 275	A=30, B=15	
SPCC LPN Student	10 points will be added if you complete the LPN program at South Piedmont Community College	
Total Points:		

To receive points for the above courses, you must have submitted your college transcript in Phase II and been given transfer credit for the course.

PN Predictor: ATI PN predictor score report from the ATI student portal.

How do I take the Comprehensive PN Predictor test?

- You must create an ATI username/password before testing at www.atitesting.com.
 - Select *South Piedmont CC* as the institution.
- After your ATI account is created, you can schedule the test and pay through SPCC.
- SPCC testing appointments must be made online at <https://spcc.edu/student-life-resources/academic-advising-support-services/testing-center/>
- SPCC student cost is \$76 (fee subject to change), paid to the SPCC Business Office over the phone (704.290.5849 or 704.272.5355) or in person.
- You must present a photo ID, SPCC receipt, and know your ATI login at the testing appointment.
- The PN predictor can be taken once every 30 days at SPCC or another available institution. The exam cannot be taken virtually.

LPN to RN Bridge Program GPA Calculation Sheet

Use the chart below to calculate your current GPA. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA for all completed courses.

GPA Calculation Chart				
A = 4 B = 3 C = 2 D = 1 F = 0				
Course	Letter Grade	Grade Value	Credit Hours	Quality Points
ENG 111		X	3	=
ENG 112 OR 114		X	3	=
PSY 150		X	3	=
ART 111, 114, 115; MUS 110, 112; OR PHI 215, 240 (Use only 1 if taken)		X	3	=
BIO 168 AND		X	4	=
BIO 169		X	4	=
BIO 275		X	4	=
Totals:				
GPA = Total Quality Points/Total Credit Hours			GPA:	

- Use only completed general education courses listed above (unless approved by substitution).
- If the course was transferred, use the grade received at that college (only credits transferred in by SPCC Registrar will be used in the GPA calculation).
- BIO 165/166 may be used for BIO 168/169 (course substitution required after acceptance).
- CLEP are not calculated into the GPA.
- AP credit will be included in the GPA based on the scale below:
 - A = 5
 - B = 4
 - C = 3
- GPA is calculated to two decimal places and is NOT rounded (2.689 is 2.68).

If you intend to use any other course than those listed above, you must complete a *Health Pre-Course Substitution* Form. Forms can be accessed on <https://spcc.edu/student-life-resources/student-records/student-forms/>. Confirmation of the substitution approval must be attached to the LPN to RN Bridge Program Application.

Curriculum Map - Summer Entry

LPN to RN Nursing Degree (A45110R) – 46 Credit Hours

General Education Requirements									
Course		Lec	Lab	Crd	Course		Lec	Lab	Crd
Communication: Take ENG 111 and pick one (1)					Fine Arts/Hum: Choose One (1) Course				
ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	3	ART 111	Art Appreciation	3	0	3
ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Discipline	3	0	3	ART 114	Art History Survey I			
OR					ART 115	Art History Survey II			
ENG 114	Professional Research & Reporting	3	0	3	MUS 110	Music Appreciation			
					MUS 112	Intro to Jazz			
					PHI 215	Philosophical Issues			
					PHI 240	Intro to Ethics			
Social Sciences: Take Both Courses									
PSY 150	General Psychology	3	0	3					
Natural Sciences/Math: Take All Courses									
BIO 168	Anatomy & Physiology I &	3	3	4					
BIO 169	Anatomy & Physiology II	3	3	4					
BIO 275	Microbiology	3	3	4					

Accreditation Statements

The LPN to RN Bridge program is approved by the North Carolina Board of Nursing. Contact the Board of Nursing at PO Box 2129, Raleigh, NC 27602-2129 or 4516 Lake Boone Trail, Raleigh, NC 27607, or call 919-782-3211 for questions about the approved program.

SPCC is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

Disclosure Statements

- Classes for this program are held on the Old Charlotte Highway Campus in Monroe.
- Students nor SPCC determine which clinical sites students will be assigned to, nor the schedule.
- Accepted applicants may be required to complete a criminal background check and a drug screen. Costs are the responsibility of the student. Based on the criminal background check and drug screen results, hospitals or clinical facilities where onsite training is conducted may deny you access to their facility, resulting in your inability to complete the clinical portion of the program. If you are unable to complete the clinical training, you will be unable to progress in the program, resulting in your removal from the program.
- By accepting a seat in any SPCC Health Program, you forfeit your place on any alternate list for any other program.

Financial Aid

All applicants are encouraged to apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. For information about financial aid, please use the following link: <https://spcc.edu/admissions-aid/paying-for-college/>

Technology

Each student is required to have a computer for this program. Once accepted, an SPCC email will be assigned if you do not already have one. *This will be the primary source for communication.* It is required that students check their email frequently. Cellphones are not a substitute for computers.

Students will be required to purchase *ExamSoft* for testing purposes. *ExamSoft* is not compatible with Chromebooks or iPads. Please check the website <https://examsoft.com/> for details on computer requirements.

Students will also be required to purchase and create an account with *My Clinical Exchange*. This program allows students to upload all documents required for the program.

Mandatory Orientation

Accepted students are required to attend a mandatory LPN to RN Bridge Orientation Session with the program director and faculty. This session will include deadlines for background checks and drug screens, supplying necessary health records, program expectations, and answering any questions you may have. Failure to attend this mandatory session will result in the forfeit of their acceptance in the program.

Deferred Action Childhood Arrival (DACA) and Undocumented Student Notice

NCCCS policy allows DACA and undocumented applicants to enroll at SPCC at the out-of-state tuition rate. Acceptance to the college does not guarantee acceptance of a specific program. DACA students are eligible to apply to any Allied Health/Nursing programs. Undocumented students are not eligible for consideration in the application process to Allied Health or Nursing programs.

This information is subject to change without notice based on federal and state regulations.

Availability of Disability Services

SPCC provides ongoing services that encourage students with disabilities to integrate themselves into all aspects of college life. The Disability Services providers are available to assist with registration counseling, academic advisement and arrangements for appropriate accommodation(s). Reasonable accommodations are established on an individual basis. Students must provide documentation for a disability from a physician or other licensed professional to establish eligibility for services. Please email counselors@spcc.edu for assistance.

SPCC LPN-RN Bridge Estimated Cost

This is an **ESTIMATE** of costs effective 08/2025. Fees are subject to change.

General Tuition and Fees		
In State	\$76.00/credit hour	
Out-of-State	\$268.00/credit hour	
Technology Fee	\$48.00/semester	
Student Insurance	\$1.40/semester	
Campus Parking Fee (CAPS) Student	\$15.00/semester	
Activity Fee	\$35.00/semester	
	In-State	Out-of-State
Tuition (46 credit hours. Cost will vary depending on number of hours taken per semester)	\$3,496.00	\$12,328.00
Textbooks for general education courses	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
General fees	\$225.00	\$225.00
	\$5,549.00	\$14,957.00
Pre-Orientation Expenses	\$127.00	\$127.00
Summer, 1st Year		
Pre-entrance physical exam, all immunizations (as listed on health form)	Varies	Varies
Tuition	\$532.00	\$1,876.00
Health Course Fee	\$15.00	\$15.00
Textbooks	\$250.00	\$250.00
ATI	\$495.00	\$495.00
Uniforms (2)	Varies	Varies
Lab Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00
Liability Insurance	\$13.00	\$13.00
General Fees	\$67.40	\$67.40
Assessment Fees	\$120.00	\$120.00
Hospital Badge Fee	\$10.00	\$10.00
Total Summer Semester 1	\$1,324.40	\$2,092.40
Fall, 1st Year		
Tuition	\$912.00	\$3,216.00
Health Course Fees	\$30.00	\$30.00
Textbooks	\$265.00	\$265.00
ATI	\$495.00	\$495.00
Assessment Fee	\$120.00	\$120.00
General Fees	\$77.55	\$77.55
Online Course Fee	\$7.00	\$7.00
Total Fall Semester 2	\$1,906.55	\$4,210.55
Spring, 1st Year		
Tuition	\$912.00	\$3,216.00
Health Course Fees	\$15.00	\$15.00
Textbooks	\$265.00	\$265.00
ATI	\$495.00	\$495.00

Assessment Fees	\$120.00	\$120.00
Graduation Fees	\$20.00	\$20.00
School Pin	\$25.00	\$25.00
General Fees	\$44.00	\$44.00
NC Board of Nursing Fee/Licensure	\$350.00	\$350.00
Total Summer Semester 3	\$2,236.00	\$4,540.00
Estimated Total Cost	\$5,466.95	\$10,842.95



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