About This Major...
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (LPN-BSN option) is approved by the Colorado State Board of Nursing. This program is designed for Licensed Practical Nurses to achieve a bachelor of science in Nursing Degree, opening up greater employment opportunities, increased compensation, and more job security. The LPN-integrates nursing theory, practice and science with a liberal arts education. The potential student must demonstrate college-level proficiency in reading, writing and mathematics in order to be admitted to this program. This program has selective admission requirements and requirements may change from year to year. It is the student's responsibility to obtain the current admission requirements.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to [http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html](http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html)

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Integrate critical thinking skills in the application of the nursing process to provide safe quality care by incorporating evidence-based practice (Critical Thinking).
2. Evaluate effective communication utilizing technology, written documentation and verbal expression (Communication).
3. Incorporate empathetic, compassionate, and caring interventions and behaviors while providing care (Specialized Knowledge).
4. Integrate sensitive professional nursing care to culturally diverse clients across the lifespan (Specialized Knowledge).
5. Evaluate data to ensure quality improvement and support of evidence-based practice (Quantitative Fluency).
6. Integrate leadership, management and delegation in the delivery of health care (Specialized Knowledge).
7. Apply knowledge of information systems within the healthcare system (Specialized knowledge).

Advising Process and DegreeWorks
This document is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a degree. The suggested course sequencing outlines how students could finish degree requirements. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters, while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and altering the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student’s responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for her/his intended degree(s).

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar’s Office to evaluate progress towards a degree and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar’s Office.

Graduation Process
Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their degree requirements:

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the “Intent to Graduate” form to the Registrar’s Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.
- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found at [http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html](http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html).

If a student’s petition for graduation is denied, it will be her/his responsibility to consult the Registrar’s Office regarding next steps.
INSTITUTIONAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
The following institutional degree requirements apply to all CMU baccalaureate degrees. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.
- 120 semester hours minimum.
- Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher.
- 40 upper-division credits (an alternative credit limit applies to the Bachelor of Applied Science degree).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- No more than six semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- Non-traditional credit, such as advanced placement, credit by examination, credit for prior learning, cooperative education and internships, cannot exceed 30 semester credit hours for a baccalaureate degree; A maximum of 15 of the 30 credits may be for cooperative education, internships, and practica.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Degree Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See “Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates” in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
- 123 semester hours are required for the BSN, Nursing – LPN to BSN.
- 2.0 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area.
- A “C” or higher is required in all major courses.
**ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS** (31 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

**English** (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of “C” or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)
- ENGL 111 - English Composition (3)
- ENGL 112 - English Composition (3)

**Mathematics** (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of “C” or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)
- MATH 113 - College Algebra (4*)
  *3 credits apply to the Essential Learning requirements and 1 credit applies to elective credit

**Humanities** (3 semester hours)
- Select one Humanities course (3)

**Social and Behavioral Sciences** (6 semester hours)
- PSYC 233 - Human Growth and Development (3)
- PSYC 150 - General Psychology (3)

**Natural Sciences** (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)
- BIOL 250 - Microbiology (3)
- BIOL 250L - Microbiology Laboratory (*2)
  *1 credit applies to Essential Learning requirements and 1 credit applies to elective credit
- Select one Natural Sciences course (3)

**History** (3 semester hours)
- Select one History course (3)

**Fine Arts** (3 semester hours)
- Select one Fine Arts course (3)

**OTHER LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

**Wellness Requirement** (2 semester hours)
- KINE 100 - Health and Wellness (1)
- Select one Activity course (1)

**Essential Learning Capstone** (4 semester hours)
Essential Learning Capstone must be taken after completion of the Essential Learning English and Mathematics requirements, and when a student has earned between 45 and 75 hours.
- ESSL 290 - Maverick Milestone (3)
- ESSL 200 - Essential Speech (1)

**FOUNDATION COURSES** (15 semester hours)
- BIOL 209 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3)
- BIOL 209L - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory (1)
- BIOL 210 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3)
- BIOL 210L - Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory (1)
- BIOL 241 - Pathophysiology (4)
- One of the following courses:
  - STAT 200 - Probability and Statistics (3)
  - STAT 215 - Statistics for Social and Behavioral Sciences (4)
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☐ LPN Credits (27): Previous degree______________________________________ Graduation Date: ______________________
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☐ NURS 318 - Health Assessment and Promotion (3)
☐ NURS 318L - Health Assessment and Promotion Laboratory (1)
☐ NURS 329 - Advanced Adult Health I/Pharmacology (5)
☐ NURS 329L - Advanced Adult Health I/Pharmacology Laboratory (3)
☐ NURS 400 - Nursing Research (3)
☐ NURS 421 - Population Health (4)
☐ NURS 421L - Population Health Laboratory (2)
☐ NURS 427 - Mental Health (3)
☐ NURS 427L - Mental Health Laboratory (2)
☐ NURS 429 - Adult Health II (3)
☐ NURS 429L - Adult Health II Laboratory (3)
☐ NURS 431 - High Risk Obstetrics/Pediatrics (3)
☐ NURS 431L - High Risk Obstetrics/Pediatrics Laboratory (2)
☐ NURS 449 - Leadership (2)
☐ NURS 449L - Leadership Laboratory (1)
☐ NURS 470 - Capstone (2)

ELECTIVES (2 semester hours)
☐ MATH 113 - College Algebra (1)
☐ BIOL 250L - Microbiology Laboratory (1)
# Suggested Course Sequencing

## 1st Year, Fall Semester: 18 credits
- ENGL 111 - English Composition (3)
- BIOL 209 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3) and BIOL 209L - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory (1)
- PSYC 150 - General Psychology (3)
- MATH 113 - College Algebra (4)
- KINA Activity (1)
- Essential Learning - Fine Arts (3)

## 1st Year, Spring Semester: 17 credits
- ENGL 112 - English Composition (3)
- BIOL 210 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3) and BIOL 210L - Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory (1)
- PSYC 233 - Human Growth and Development (3)
- Essential Learning - Natural Science (3)
- BIOL 241 - Pathophysiology (4)

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**LPN with IV Certification:** 27 credits transfer for Nursing 2nd Year

## 2nd Year, Fall Semester: 14 credits
- NURS 101 - Pharmacology Calculations (1)
- NURS 106 - Adult Concepts I/Pharmacology (5) and NURS 106L - Adult Concepts/Pharmacology Laboratory (2)
- NURS 107 - Foundations of Nursing (3) and NURS 107L - Foundations of Nursing Laboratory (3)

## 2nd Year, Spring Semester: 16 credits
- NURS 117 - Obstetrics and Pediatrics (4) and NURS 117L - Obstetrics and Pediatrics Laboratory (2)
- NURS 156 - Socialization into Practical Nursing (1)
- NURS 172 - Adult Concepts II/Mental Health (5) and NURS 172L - Adult Concepts II/Mental Health Laboratory (4)

## 3rd Year, Fall Semester: 19-20 credits
- BIOL 250 - Microbiology (3) and BIOL 250L - Microbiology Laboratory (2)
- STAT 200 - Probability and Statistics (3) or STAT 215 - Statistics for Social and Behavioral Sciences (4)
- Essential Learning - History (3)
- KINE 100 - Health and Wellness (1)
- Essential Learning - Humanities (3)
- ESSL 290 - Maverick Milestone (3)
- ESSL 200 - Essential Speech (1)

## 4th Year, Spring Semester: 15 credits
- NURS 318 - Health Assessment and Promotion (3) and NURS 318L - Health Assessment and Promotion Laboratory (1)
- NURS 329 - Advanced Adult Health/Pharmacology (5) and NURS 329L - Advanced Adult Health/Pharmacology Laboratory (3)
- NURS 400 - Nursing Research (3)
- NURS 470 - Capstone (2)

## 4th Year, Summer Semester: 11 credits
- NURS 421 - Population Health (4) and NURS 421L - Population Health Laboratory (2)
- NURS 427 - Mental Health (3) and NURS 427L - Mental Health Laboratory (2)

## 5th Year, Fall Semester: 16 credits
- NURS 429 - Adult Health II (3) and NURS 429L - Adult Health II Laboratory (3)
- NURS 431 - High Risk Obstetrics/Pediatrics (3) and NURS 431L - High Risk Obstetrics/Pediatrics Laboratory (2)
- NURS 470 - Capstone (2)
- NURS 449 - Leadership (2) and NURS 449L - Leadership Laboratory (1)

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