Programs With Special Criteria (competitive-entry) Packet
Associate Degree Nursing (LPN to ADN Option)
Start Term: Summer 2027*
Deadline to Submit for Final Review: October 2, 2026
Decision Release Date: October 16, 2026

Please review the entire packet carefully before proceeding with the application.

Davidson-Davie's ADN (LPN to ADN Option) is a competitive-entry, three-term program (Summer, Fall, Spring) designed for current LPNs to earn their Associate Degree in Nursing and become a Registered Nurse (RN).

This is a **hybrid program** featuring required weekly/evening virtual class sessions, online coursework, on-campus exams (Davidson campus), and clinical rotations within Davidson-Davie's local service area (Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, and Iredell counties).

UPDATES FOR 2027:

- **Program Structure Update:**
  - Beginning with the 2027 cohort, the program **will start in Summer 2027** (previously a fall start) and take place over **Three terms**: summer, fall, spring.
- **TEAS Exam Requirement:**
  - The **TEAS exam will no longer be required** for admission to any of our nursing programs, including the LPN to ADN program.

SAMPLE LPN to ADN Schedule **Subject to Change*			
	Day	**Time**	**Location/ Delivery Method**
Class Meetings/ Exams	Tuesday	Evenings	Class Meetings- Virtual (synchronous/ attendance required) Exams- Davidson Campus (in person)
Online Coursework			Independent coursework- deadline driven
Clinical Hours	Varies	Varies	Davidson-Davie Service Area

For more information regarding format, credit hours, and cost of attendance for each of our ADN options, visit our Associate Degree Nursing Webpage.

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Eligibility Requirements- Applicants must demonstrate evidence of the following criteria to be eligible to APPLY:

- Meet minimum placement requirements for college math (see page 4)
- Active LPN license in the state of NC OR active multi-state license in a state that has fully enacted the Nurse Licensure Compact (license must be without restrictions). Applicants with licenses from a non-compact state are not eligible to apply.
- Current employment as an LPN AND Minimum of one year full- time (or 1920 hours) employed as an LPN
- Successful Completion of all of the following general education courses with a grade of C or higher. Substitutions not accepted.
    - Anatomy and Physiology I and II (BIO 165+166 OR BIO 168+169)**
    - ENG 111
    - ENG 112 or ENG 113 or ENG 114
    - ONE of the following: HUM 115, ART 111/114/115, MUS 110/112, PHI 215/240
    - PSY 150
    - PSY 241

Students who have completed Anatomy & Physiology coursework at another institution should review the table below carefully. Transfer consideration for BIO 165/166 or BIO 168/169 varies based on institution type and course sequencing. All transfer coursework must be evaluated by the Records Office using **official transcripts and must be equivalent in content and credit hours. Meeting these guidelines does **not guarantee transfer credit approval**.

BIO 165+166/ BIO 168+169 (Anatomy & Physiology I and II) Transfer Requirements		
Course(s) Completed	**Institution Type/ Method**	**Requirement for Transfer Consideration**
BIO 165 & 166	NC Community College	Must be completed at the same NC Community College
BIO 168 & 169	NC Community College	May be taken at different Community Colleges *Official transcripts from both colleges required.
Anatomy & Physiology I & II	University/ 4-year college	Must be taken at the same college/university
Anatomy & Physiology I & II	Out of State Institution	Must be taken at the same college/university
Anatomy & Physiology I & II	University and Community College	Not Permitted
Anatomy & Physiology Courses must be equivalent in **credit hours and content**		

Students who are **admitted and accept a seat** must be able to comply with our Conditionally Accepted Nursing Criteria.

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Required Steps for Applying to Programs with Special Criteria

- ☐ **STEP 1. (If you are not a current student or have not been admitted to DDCC within the last year) Complete a Davidson-Davie general college application and all enrollment steps for general admission to Davidson-Davie Community College.**
  - ☐ Confirm Residency
  - ☐ Activate Stormtrac Account
  - ☐ Complete New Student Orientation
- ☐ **STEP 2. Confirm you meet minimum math and English readiness levels.**
- ☐ **STEP 3. Submit Transcripts.**
  - ☐ High School Transcript or GED
  - ☐ College Transcripts from all colleges attended (if applicable)
- ☐ **STEP 4. Submit Programs with Special Criteria (PWSC) application. Available after June 1**
- ☐ **STEP 5. Upload supporting documents to PWSC application.**
- ☐ **STEP 6. Submit Ready for Final Review Form.**

Details for steps are outlined in the following pages, review carefully.
Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

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Detailed Application Steps:

Be sure to complete ALL application steps. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

STEP 1. Apply for General Admission to Davidson-Davie Community College (if needed)

Currently enrolled students or students who were admitted to the college within the last year do not need to re-apply.

This takes several days to complete and process so plan accordingly.

- **Apply** to Davidson-Davie as a Pre-Associate Degree Nursing (LPN to ADN option) student
- follow ALL enrollment steps and requirements outlined in general admit letter in your application portal including:
    - Confirm Residency
    - Activate Stormtrac account and multi-factor authentication
    - Complete New Student Orientation and Major Declaration Form

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STEP 2. Confirm you meet minimum math and English readiness levels.

- **Unweighted high school GPA of 2.8 or higher (Demonstrated on high school transcript)**

OR Provide evidence of at least one of the following in each subject area

College English Readiness (Subject Area 1)

- Completed or received transfer credit for ENG 111
- Earned 18 or higher ACT
- Earned 480 or higher SAT
- GED Score of 165 or higher on all tests

College Math Readiness (Subject Area 2)

- Completed or received transfer credit for ONE of the following MAT 143, MAT 152, MAT 171 or higher-level MAT.
- Earned ACT-Math score of 22 or higher or
- Earned SAT-Math score of 530 or higher.
- GED Score of 165 or higher on all tests

Applicants who need to take a placement test should contact their assigned academic advisor to schedule.

Note- Academic Advisor assigned after New Student Orientation is completed

*Official SAT/SAT test scores required if used to demonstrate math/English college readiness.

**GED scores must be issued after 2014 be used for math/English placement.

STEP 3. Submit Transcripts and/or Test Scores (if applicable)

- **High school transcript or proof of completion (high school diploma, GED, or equivalent)**
    - Required for all PWSC applicants
    - Unofficial high school transcripts are accepted for admissions and placement review purposes.
- **Official College Transcripts (Required for Transfer Credit Evaluation)**
    - Courses completed at Davidson-Davie do not require a transcript submission.
    - For college courses taken at other institutions., Official Transcripts must come directly from the college(s) where the course(s) was/were taken. Coursework listed on another

institution's transcript (e.g., transfer credit shown on a university transcript) will not be evaluated without an official transcript from the original institution.

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How to Submit Official College Transcripts:

A. Request through the National Student Clearinghouse
OR
B. Contact the college(s) where course(s) were taken to request an official copy be sent directly via email to admissions@davidsondavie.edu or mail to Davidson-Davie Community College Admissions/ P.O. Box 1287/ Lexington, NC 27293
OR
C. Hand-deliver paper copy of transcripts to the Enrollment Center in a sealed envelope from the issuing institution.

- **Students requesting credit for Advanced Placement (AP) coursework**
  - AP scores should be sent directly through the College Board.
  - AP scores expire after 5 years.

Important Notes Regarding Transcripts and Test Scores:

- The Records Office completes transfer credit evaluations after required official transcripts and test scores are received.
- Previously submitted transcripts remain on file and do not need to be re-submitted unless you have completed new coursework since your last transcript submission.
- AP Scores expire after 5 years
- College Credits do not expire

STEP 4. Create and submit your Programs with Special Criteria (PWSC) application. **Available after June 1**

Can only be started after your general application to Davidson-Davie has been fully processed.

- Return to your application portal.
- Log in as a Returning User. Click "Start New Application".
- Select the next term from the drop down menu
- Then "PWSC 2027-2028" from the second drop down box.
- Click "Create Application"
- Click "Open Application".
- **Complete and submit your PWSC application.**

Submission of the PWSC application generates the PWSC checklist and material uploader in order to complete next steps. Refresh your browser after submitting. Items may take 5-15 minutes to show on the portal.

STEP 5. Upload supporting documents to PWSC application

Note- if you are re-appling for a different term, you will need to re-upload or re-assign materials to the current application. Contact PWSC@davidsondavie.edu if you need assistance.

- Login to your application portal.
- Ensure PWSC application type is selected
- View Application Checklist to see a list of required/optional items.
- Use the Upload Materials function to add materials to your application.

(Note- it may take a few minutes for this to appear after you submit your PWSC application)
Contact PWSC@davidsondavie.edu if you have trouble uploading any document(s).

REQUIRED Supporting Items-

*The following items must be uploaded to your PWSC application prior to submitting the Ready for Final Review form. These items are **in addition to** transcripts and other general admission/enrollment checklist items (see page 2)*

NOTE: beginning with the 2027 cohort, Davidson-Davie Community College will no longer require the TEAS exam for consideration to any of our nursing programs.

College Coursework will be evaluated using official transcripts or Davidson-Davie Records (See Step 3)

- **Copy of your current North Carolina Nursing License**
  - Upload to your PWSC application using "North Carolina LPN License" material type.
    - This documentation must be from the NC Board of Nursing and/or your multi-state nursing license if from a state within our NC Board of Nursing Compact Agreement
    - View for an example of the proper documentation on our PWSC webpage.

- **Work Verification Letter(s) documenting you are currently employed as an LPN AND have worked as an LPN for a minimum of one-year full time or 1920 total hours in the state of North Carolina and/or a compact state**
  - Upload to your PWSC application using "Work Verification or Job Shadowing Form" material type. (multiple letters/verifications can be uploaded if needed)
    - Employment Verification(s) must include the following:
      - Start and end date of employment
      - Position title as an LPN
      - Total number of hours worked in the position
      - Name and contact information for the Director of Human Resources at the company who can verify the work experience.
      - Examples of proper documentation are located on our PWSC webpage.

OPTIONAL Supporting Items-

The following items are optional to apply, but submitting accurate documentation may earn points (see rubric) and strengthen your application.

- **Veteran or Member of Armed Services**
  - Upload military documentation of service to your PWSC application.
- **Active Medical Certification* for any of the following:**

  Upload current medical certificate to your PWSC application portal. Expired certifications will not be considered.
  - EMT, Advanced EMT, or Paramedic [North Carolina Office of Emergency Medicine (NCOEMS), National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT)]
  - Certified Medical Assistant [Recognized or certified as a CMA or RMA by one of the following National Organizations: American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA), National Health Career Association (NHA), National Healthcare Worker's Association (NHCWA), National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT), American Registry of Medical Assistants (ARMA) American

Medical Technologists (AMT), National Association for Health Professionals (NAHP), National Registry of Medical Assistants (NRMA)].

- Medical Laboratory Technician [American Society for Clinical Pathology Board of Certification (ASCP) or American Medical Technologist (AMT)]
- Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) [Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) or National Health Career Association (NHA)]
- Surgical Technician [(Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA)]
- Registered Health Information Technician [Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM)]
- Certified Respiratory Therapist or Registered Respiratory Therapist [National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC)]
- Radiographer, Limited Practice Radiographer, or Radiation Therapist [American Registry of Radiologic Technology (ARRT)]

*Evidence of related military may be considered for certifications

Additional Optional Criteria-

The following items are verifiable by Davidson-Davie Records for additional points (see rubric); no upload required.

- **Attend an Information Session**
  - Register (or review recording if applicable) at www.davidsondavie.edu/pwsc.
  - Follow instructions provided during information session to earn credit for attending
- **Former or Current Davidson-Davie student**
  - Verifiable by Davidson-Davie records- no additional upload required
  - Includes successful completion (c or higher) of any Davidson-Davie course
- **Successful completion of Davidson-Davie's PNE program**
  - Verifiable by Davidson-Davie records- no additional upload required
- **Successful completion of coursework listed on rubric.**
  - Verifiable by Davidson-Davie records using official transcripts submitted during the general enrollment process. Transcripts not required for courses completed at Davidson-Davie.
- **Previous College Degree**
  - Verifiable by Davidson-Davie records using official transcripts submitted during the general enrollment process. Transcripts not required for degrees completed at Davidson-Davie.

STEP 6. Complete and Submit Ready for Final Review Form before the program deadline.

- Return to your application portal.
- Complete and Submit Ready for Final Review Form
  This form will be available on your application portal once all REQUIRED items are marked completed. After your program application has been submitted for final review you cannot add to or amend your application, so **please make sure all items that you wish to include are uploaded and all transcripts have been received prior to submitting**.

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Ranking and Selection Process:

Applicants who complete the application process in its entirety and meet all eligibility requirements will be reviewed and ranked according to the applicant ranking rubric included in this packet. **Applications that are incomplete, missing required documentation, or submitted after the deadline will not be reviewed.**

Total points will be calculated for each applicant using the stated rubric. Coursework included in the applicant ranking rubric was selected in alignment with the North Carolina RN-to-BSN Uniform Articulation Agreement. **Only the courses specifically listed on the applicant ranking rubric are eligible for point consideration; substitute, related, similar, or higher-level coursework will not be accepted for ranking points.**

To be considered for ranking points, coursework, credentials, certifications, and degrees must be completed and reflected on official records by the application deadline. **In-progress coursework, pending degree conferral, or expired credentials will not be considered.** Transfer coursework and degrees completed at another institution will only be considered after official transcript evaluation by Davidson-Davie Records.

Applicants may receive points for the highest completed degree earned only. Points for multiple degrees are not cumulative.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring all required and optional supporting documentation is submitted and received prior to the application deadline and before submission of the Ready for Final Review Form. After the Ready for Final Review Form has been submitted, no additional materials, transcripts, or documentation may be added, updated, or considered for ranking purposes, even if received prior to the deadline.

Applicants with the highest overall point totals will be offered conditional acceptance into the program. In the event of a tie, applicants will be ranked using the following criteria in order:

1. Higher total points earned in Academic History
2. Higher total points earned in Additional Items
3. Date and time the applicant correctly submitted the Ready for Final Review Form

Admission decisions will be available after 5:00 PM on the decision release date through the application portal under Status Update. Students offered conditional acceptance **must submit their Intent to Enroll Form within 7 calendar days** of notification. Applicants who decline admission will forfeit their seat and the decision cannot be reversed.

An alternate list will be established and used in ranking order should seats become available. The alternate list will remain active until a date that allows newly admitted students adequate time to complete required clinical clearance requirements. After that time, interested applicants must reapply for a future term.

See next page for Rubric

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING- (LPN to ADN OPTION)
COMPETITIVE ADMISSION EVALUATION RUBRIC

1. LICENSURE & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (REQUIRED)

Criteria	Points Available	Score
Active LPN License (NC or Compact State)	Required	✓ Required
Length of LPN Licensure		**/3**
7+ years	3	
5–7 years	2	
1–4 years	1	

2. REQUIRED ACADEMIC COURSEWORK — *Maximum: 21 Points*

Only grades of A, B, or C earn points.

Course Requirement	A	B	C	Score
BIO 165 or BIO 168	3	2	1	/3
BIO 166 or BIO 169	3	2	1	/3
ENG 111	3	2	1	/3
ENG 112, ENG 113, or ENG 114	3	2	1	/3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective *(Choose One: HUM 115, ART 111/114/115, MUS 110/112, PHI 215/240)*	3	2	1	/3
PSY 150	3	2	1	/3
PSY 241	3	2	1	/3

3. SUPPORTING COURSEWORK — *Maximum: 15 Points*

Applicants may earn additional points for completion of supporting coursework that strengthens academic preparation for the program.

Course Requirement	A	B	C	Score
ENG 231 or ENG 232	3	2	1	/3
History Elective (HIS 111, HIS 112, HIS 131, or HIS 132)	3	2	1	/3
MAT 143 or MAT 171	3	2	1	/3
MAT 152	3	2	1	/3
Chemistry *(CHM 151, CHM 130 + CHM 130A, or CHM 131 + CHM 131A)*	3	2	1	/3

4. ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING CRITERIA — *Maximum: 11 Points*

Criteria	Point Value	Score
Previous College Degree		/2
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	2	
Associate Degree	1	
No Degree	0	
Former or Current Davidson-Davie Student	Yes = 1 / No = 0	/1
Completed Davidson-Davie PNE Program	Yes = 2 / No = 0	/2
Veteran or Active Member of the Armed Forces	Yes = 1 / No = 0	/1
Active Medical Certification	Yes = 2 / No = 0	/2
At least 1 year of LPN hospital experience within the last 5 years	Yes = 2 / No = 0	/2
Attended a Program Information Session	Yes = 1 / No = 0	/1

FINAL SCORE SUMMARY

Category	Points Earned
Licensure & Professional Experience	/3
Academic History (Required + Supporting Coursework)	/36
Additional Supporting Criteria	/11
TOTAL SCORE	**/50**

Points are awarded based on academic performance, relevant experience, and additional supporting criteria.

Access our PWSC webpage or type in webpage address below:
www.davidsondavie.edu/pwsc/

Email: pwsc@davidsondavie.edu

Phone: 336-249-8186 ext. 6771

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