



LPN to BScN Program at StFX

Program options:

- 3 year on campus
- 4 year online

1. When is the application deadline?
 - a. The application deadline for both program options is February 28, 2021. Students must have registered and completed CASPer on or before this date as well.
2. How do I apply?
 - a. You can apply by going to <https://www.stfx.ca/admissions/apply> and following the steps to apply.
3. I have my LPN diploma from a school other than NSCC, can I apply?
 - a. At this time, the LPN to BScN program is only available to students who have graduated from the Nova Scotia Community College from 2008 to present. If you have your LPN from another institution, please go to <https://www.stfx.ca/admissions/requirements> for information on how to apply as a transfer student to the four year Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.
4. What documents are required other than my application?
 - a. We require your official NSCC transcript and CASPer test scores (takecasper.com), copy of your current LPN license and confirmation of 1800 hours worked as an LPN.
5. When will I find out if I am accepted? How do I find out?
 - a. Offers for both the on campus and online options will be sent in March. You will be notified by email either way of the decision on your application.
6. When would I start courses?
 - a. Courses begin in April. The first year for both options (April 2021 to end of April 2022) will be made up of the five pathway courses:
 - i. English
 - ii. Statistics
 - iii. Microbiology
 - iv. NURS 297 (nursing pathway course)
 - v. NURS 265 (nursing pathway course)

7. What is the difference between the two programs?
 - a. The two main differences are the method of delivery and duration of the program:
 - i. Students accepted to the 3 year full-time on campus option will take the 5 pathway courses online for one year (April 2021 to end of April 2022) and then in May 2022 will begin studies on campus **full time**.
 - ii. Students accepted to the 4 year part-time online option will take the 5 pathway courses online for one year (April 2021 to end of April 2022) and then in May 2022 will begin studies online **part-time**.

8. If I am accepted into one program option, but would prefer the other, can I switch?
 - a. Acceptance to both programs is competitive. Students are encouraged to make their final decision on program options prior to the application deadline. If accepted to a program option, and a change is requested, availability to switch is not guaranteed and must be requested in writing to the Admissions Office.

9. How many courses do I take per semester in the online, part time option?
 - a. Students are limited to a maximum of two courses per semester.

10. How much does it cost? When are payments due?
 - a. Fees for students in the program, can be found on the StFX Finance website by visiting <http://www2.mystfx.ca/financial-services/undergraduate-fees>

Fees for the 5 pathway courses fall under the Per Credit Fee Schedule.
Fees for the remaining LPN-BScN courses fall under the Per Credit Nursing Fee Schedule.

11. Can I apply for a student loan?
 - a. Yes, you can apply for full time funding if enrolled in the 3 year on campus option or you can apply for part time funding if enrolled in the 4 year online option through the Nova Scotia Student Assistance program. It is not a guarantee that you as an individual will qualify for funding.

12. Will I be pre-registered in all my courses?
 - a. Yes, you will be pre-registered in all your courses.

13. Are there any on campus components within the 4 year online option?
 - a. Yes, students will normally be required to come to campus for learning experiences in the skills lab and Simulation Centre for two to three days in the Fall and Winter in year two and three.

14. Is there a clinical component?
 - a. Yes there is a clinical component to both the online and on campus options. You may be required to travel to clinical placements. It is not a guarantee that you will be placed in clinical settings in your home town.

15. What is the course map for each program?

Please see the chart on the following page for a map of each program option. Clinical components are in green text.

3 year on campus LPN to BScN

Spring 2021 start date

Dates	Jan to April	May to Aug	Sept to Dec
May 2021 to Dec 2021		BIOL 115, STATS 101, ENGL 111, NURS 297, 298 (15 credits online)	
Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Continue working on Pathway courses (BIOL 115, STATS 101, ENGL 111, NURS 297, NURS 298)	SEMESTER 4 NURS 231 NURS 233 NURS 234* (12 credits)	SEMESTER 5 NURS 306 NURS 308 NURS 309* (12 credits)
Jan 2023 to Dec 2023	SEMESTER 6 NURS 332 NURS 333 NURS 334* Elective (15 credits)	SEMESTER 7 NURS 406 NURS 408 NURS 409* Elective (15 credits)	SEMESTER 8 NURS 440* (15credits) GRADUATION Dec 2022

* Clinical

4 year online LPN to BScN

Spring 2021 start date

Dates	May to July	August	Sept to Dec	Jan to April
May 2021 to April 2022	BIOL 115, STATS 101, ENGL 111, NURS 297, 298 (15 credits)			
May 2022 to April 2023	Semester 4 NURS 233 (6 credits)	No classes	SEMESTER 5 NURS 231 NURS 234* (6 credits)	SEMESTER 6 NURS 308 (6 credits)
May 2023 to April 2024	Semester 7 NURS 306 NURS 309* (6 credits)	No classes	SEMESTER 8 NURS 332 ELECTIVE (6 credits)	SEMESTER 9 NURS 333 NURS 334* (9 credits)
May 2024 to April 2025	SEMESTER 10 NURS 406 ELECTIVE (6 credits)	No classes	SEMESTER 11 NURS 408 NURS 409* (9 credits)	SEMESTER 12 NURS 440* (15 credits)

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