



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 23, 2020. 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 BSc 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 normally be sent in early March. You will be notified by email.
6. When would I start courses?
 - a. Courses begin in April. The first year for both options (April 2020 to end of April 2021) 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. Students accepted to the 3 year on campus option will take the 5 pathway courses online for one year (April 2020 to end of April 2021) and then in May 2021 will begin studies on campus full time. The 4 year online option is part time online studies with some on campus requirements (see question #13).
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. You will take 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 be required to come to campus for an orientation for 4 to 5 days in August of year two and then again in October of year three for 4 to 5 days.
 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.