



## “The Mission...

of our Nursing Program remains the same as it has always been: a focus on caring, on a teaching-learning environment, and on personal and professional growth. The program’s commitment to service, lifelong learning and respect for the dignity of each person go hand in hand with the longstanding values of the College.”

*Sister Lauren A. Fitzgerald, RSM  
President, Maria College*



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EARN YOUR TWO-YEAR NURSING DEGREE

# NURSING at MARIA COLLEGE

*From LPN to RN—  
achieve your goal at Maria!*



# Rewards for your experience. Choices for your life.



Becoming a registered nurse at Maria College involves choices: day or evening classes, part time or full time, which academic path to take. Maria's goal is twofold: to offer options like the **Advanced Placement Course** and **LPN-RN Transition Course**, which are designed to assist LPNs in using their life experience toward becoming an RN, and to ultimately accommodate each student's schedule, complement each person's life.

## From the classroom to the field.

The entire program prepares students to transition from formal classroom work and nursing theory, to the art, science and practice of patient care. As such, Maria students have opportunities to gain clinical experience at a variety of facilities that meet the program's clinical objectives.

**Start Here.**  
**Go Anywhere.**

*Maria's Department of Nursing is accredited by the National League of Nursing Accreditation Commission. Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensing Examination-RN.*

## Choose from two paths on your way to becoming an RN—

### Advanced Placement Course

- For Licensed Practical Nurses preparing for the Nursing Department's **Advanced Placement Course**, Maria offers a six-week review course. Both the course and examination are held twice each year, in the fall and spring.
- Upon successful completion of the **Advanced Placement Course** and competencies, LPNs will be granted life experience credits\*, qualifying them to bypass NUR 110 and 120 (seven credits) and to advance directly into NUR 130. Normal admissions requirements must be met for advanced placement in NUR 130.
- Based on educational and work experience, the nursing chair may allow non-LPNs to challenge NUR 110 & 120.

### LPN-RN Transition Course

- By passing this **four-credit LPN-RN Transition Course**, LPNs are able to obtain 15 nursing credits. This course is offered on a pass/fail basis, and includes written assignments related to role transition from LPN to RN. There is also a skills course that must be passed.\*
- LPNs are also eligible for NUR 240 by passing the **LPN-RN Transition Course**, if all other prerequisites are in place.
- Students enrolling in the **LPN-RN Transition Course** must be licensed.



## Proven success.

- 117 LPNs have participated in the Advanced Placement Course over the last 5 years
- 88 of those students have passed the Advanced Placement Course—a 75% passing rate
- 65 of those 88 students have graduated from Maria's Nursing Program as RNs—a 74% passing rate

NCLEX results for 2009:

- 90 took the licensing exam
- 90% passed
- 88.42% is the national pass rate



***A history of service, a commitment to caring:  
Maria nursing graduates are living out the tradition every day.***

**Call 518.438.3111, x217 or contact  
admissions@mariacollege.edu.**

*\*Those earning advanced placement credit through the Advanced Placement Course or the LPN-RN Transition Courses (NUR 198 and 199) must begin the next nursing core course within six months of the Advanced Placement or LPN-RN Transition Course completion.*

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