ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

NURSING - ASSOCIATE DEGREE (R.N.) MAJOR - A.S. DEGREE

The Registered Nursing Program is designed to provide the education necessary for licensure eligibility and practice as a Registered Nursing (RN). Acceptance into the program requires successful completion of all prerequisites and successful competition of the application and selection processes.

All required prerequisites and nursing courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Contact the Nursing and Allied Health Department for more specifics.

Admission Requirements

1. Prerequisites for the major
   - ENGL 101 Reading & Composition 3.0
   - BIOL 220 General Microbiology 5.0
   - BIOL 200 Human Anatomy & Physiology I 4.0
   AND
   - BIOL 202 Human Anatomy & Physiology II 4.0
   OR
   - BIOL 204 Human Anatomy (4.0)
   AND
   - BIOL 206 Human Physiology (4.0)
   - SOC 101 Introductory Sociology 3.0
   OR
   - ANTH 102 Cultural Anthropology (3.0)
   - PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology 3.0
   - NURS 100 Medication Mathematics 1.0

Math Competency: A score of 2006 or higher on the ACCUPLACER™ College Level Mathematics test OR MATH 090 (Intermediate Algebra) OR an advanced level mathematics course with a grade of "C" or higher.

Reading Competency: A placement score of 3006 on the ACCUPLACER™ Reading Test OR ENGL 089 (Reading IV: Intermediate Development) OR ENGL 111 (Reading iv: Analytical and Critical Reading) with a grade of "C" or higher.

2. TEAS Exam: Must pass exam at the predetermined minimum cut score (or higher) as set by the college and the State of California.

3. Background: Must pass a criminal background check as a requirement of the clinical agencies.

4. Drug Screen: Must pass a drug screen as defined by the Nursing Program as a requirement of the clinical agencies.

5. American Heart BLSL/CPR Certification: Must be current.

Total Nursing Units 45.5
Total General Education/Support Courses 38.0-41.0
Total Units for Degree 83.5-86.5

LVN to RN Student - Advanced placement options are found in the Nursing Appendix at the end of the catalog.

Additional Program Requirements

1. Degree Requirements
   - SPCH 100 Oral Communication 3.0
   - PE 100 Lifetime Exercise Science 2.0
   - PE Activity Course 1.0
   - Humanities Elective 3.0
   - American Institutions Requirement 6.0

2. Recommended for the major
   - PSY 204 Dvlpmntl Psy: Conception to Death 3.0
   Students wishing to complete a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing Program (BSN) may be required to complete such a course.

3. Progression Policy
   All nursing courses must be taken in sequence and must be completed with a "C" or better with skills and clinical experience courses receiving the equivalent of "C" or "Satisfactory" or better to progress to the next level. Nursing Program graduates must submit a transcript demonstrating successful completion of all course work and graduation prior to sitting for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

4. Registered Nursing Program Specific Courses:
   **Semester 1:**
   - NURS 110 Nursing Process I 4.5
   - NURS 111 Nursing Skills Laboratory I 1.5
   - NURS 112 Nursing Process Application I 4.0
   - NURS 113 Pharmacology I 1.5
   **Semester 2:**
   - NURS 123 Pharmacology II 1.5
   - NURS 121 Nursing Skills Laboratory II 1.0
   - NURS 125 Nursing Process and Application II 8.5
   **Semester 3:**
   - NURS 211 Nursing Skills Laboratory III 1.0
   - NURS 224 Psychiatric & Mental Health Nursing 2.0
   - NURS 225 Psych. Nrsg. Application (Clinical)** 1.0
   - NURS 231 Nursing Process and Application III 8.5
   **Semester 4:**
   - NURS 221 Nursing Skills Laboratory IV 1.0
   - NURS 230 Nursing Trends 1.0
   - NURS 241 Nursing Process and Application IV 8.5

** Clinical experience may include a rotation outside of county.
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