

PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR

Coursework in social/behavioral/biological sciences, humanities, and language/rationality form the broad educational base for the practice of nursing. Coursework in the nursing major, taken in four semesters, prepares the student in nursing skill acquisition, knowledge and ability in the care, support, and management of illness states as well as the promotion of health. Nursing coursework includes clinical nursing laboratory experiences in a variety of clinical settings.

THE CURRENT ADMISSION CRITERIA ARE:

- ✓ An overall minimum grade point average of 2.7 for the Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, and Microbiology prerequisite courses, taken in the last 5 years, with no grade less than "C" for each course, and no more than one repetition/withdrawal in the group of courses. Only one repetition or withdrawal is allowed from all three of the pre-requisite science courses.
- ✓ College level, transferable English Composition, minimum of (3) semester units with a grade no less than a "C".
- ✓ A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.7 for ALL college coursework.
- ✓ Good standing status at Santa Monica College (academic and in-progress).
- ✓ Must take and achieve the required score on a CA Chancellor's Office approved Admissions Assessment.
- ✓ Meet the minimum physical qualifications & essential functions. See Essential Functions Required of Nursing Students.
- ✓ Must pass a criminal background check and drug test.
- ✓ Students must have a valid Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).

Students should be prepared to spend approximately \$1,000 the first semester for books, equipment, uniforms, and tuition. The estimated cost of the entire Nursing Program over two years is \$3,000-\$4,000.

ENROLLMENT IN THE NURSING PROGRAM IS OPEN TO PERSONS REGARDLESS OF SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, ETHNIC GROUP, RELIGION OR NATIONAL ORIGIN.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACCREDITING AGENCIES

California Board of Registered Nursing

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Associate Degree in Nursing Program

*Changing Lives Through
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Santa Monica College offers an Associate Degree Nursing Program that prepares students to meet the standards of the California Board of Registered Nursing. This program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education In Nursing, Inc.

Upon completion of the Nursing Program, graduates receive their Associate in Science Degree – Nursing Major and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a Registered Nurse. Santa Monica College Nursing Majors are encouraged to follow a transfer curriculum course of study that will enable the student to transfer to BSN Programs.

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING MAJOR CURRICULUM

PRE-PREPARATION

High School or GED Equivalent
Chemistry 10•

PRE-REQUISITE REQUIREMENTS (16 units)

English 1 (3)
Anatomy 1 (4)
Physiology 3 (4)
Microbiology 1 (5)

No online lab components are accepted.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (22 units)

- Nursing 17 (3) [#] prerequisite: Physiology 3
- Nursing 36 (1)
- Communication Studies 35 or 11 (3)*
- Psychology 19 (3)
- Sociology 1 (3)
- Global Citizenship/Humanities (3)**
- Social Science –Group A (3)***
- Math Requirement (3) [∞]

74 TOTAL UNITS

- ✓ Prerequisite to Physiology & Microbiology at SMC; Please refer to Assessment Center - Waivers & Exemptions link for prerequisite waiver information
 - # Must be completed by the end of 2nd semester
 - * Com Studies 11: If completed summer 2013 or later.
 - ** Please refer to SMC Nursing—RN (AS) Course of Study for courses that meet this requirement.
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 - ∞ Math 18 (Intermediate Algebra for Statistics and Finite Mathematics) or Math 20 (Intermediate Algebra) is the minimum requirement for AS degree. See counselor for other options.
- All courses in the approved nursing curriculum must be passed with a minimum “C” grade to remain in the program, progress to the next course, graduate, and apply for licensure. Prerequisites to a nursing course must be completed prior to application.

SMC ADN requirements must be successfully completed prior to graduation.

REQUIRED NURSING COURSES

1st SEMESTER (8 units)

First 8 weeks

Nursing 10, Nursing Skills (2)
Nursing 10L, Nursing Skills Laboratory (2)
Nursing 36, Calculations in Drugs and Solutions

Second 8 weeks

Prerequisites: Nursing 10/10L, Nursing 36
Nursing 15, Nursing Fundamentals (2)
Nursing 15L, Nursing Fundamentals Laboratory (2)

2nd SEMESTER (9 units)

First 8 weeks

Prerequisites: Nursing 15/15L;
Corequisite: Nursing 17, Pharmacological Aspects of Nursing
Nursing 20, Introduction to Med/Surgical Nursing (2)
Nursing 20L, Introduction to Med/Surgical Nursing Laboratory (2)

Second 8 weeks

Prerequisites: Nursing 20/20L
Nursing 25, Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing (1.5)
Nursing 25L, Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Laboratory (1.5)
Nursing 28, Community-Based Nursing practice (1)
Concurrent with N25/25L
Nursing 16, Physical Assessment (1) Concurrent with N25/25L

3rd SEMESTER (10 units)

First 8 weeks

Prerequisites: Nursing 25/25L, Nursing 16, Nursing 28, Nursing 17
Nursing 30, Intermediate Med/Surgical Nursing (2.5)
Nursing 30L, Intermediate Med/Surgical Nursing Laboratory (2.5)

Second 8 weeks

Prerequisites: Nursing 30, Nursing 30L
Nursing 35, Advanced Med/Surgical Nursing (2.5)
Nursing 35L, Advanced Med/Surgical Nursing Laboratory (2.5)

4th SEMESTER (9 units)

5 Week Courses

Prerequisites: Psychology 19, Nursing 35/35L
Nursing 40, Nursing of Children (1.5)
Nursing 40L, Nursing of Children Lab (1.5)
Nursing 45, Women’s Health Care (1.5)
Nursing 45L, Women’s Health Care Lab (1.5)

6 Week Courses

Prerequisites: All other coursework in approved nursing curriculum
Nursing 50, Professional Role Transition (1)
Nursing 50L, Professional Role Transition Lab (2)

APPLICATION & ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURE

The Santa Monica College nursing program utilizes a Multi-Criteria screening process for application to the Generic ADN program.

For more information please visit our website:

www.smc.edu/nursing

GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

- ✓ All applicants and advanced placement/transfer applicants are responsible to notify the Health Sciences Department of any changes that might impact their eligibility status. This includes official transcripts, change in name, address or phone, and any documentation that is essential for determination of readiness to begin the Nursing Program.
- ✓ Official college transcripts from ALL colleges attended, including high school or GED equivalence, must be sent directly from the school/colleges to SMC Admissions & Records Office -1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90405.
- ✓ Advanced Placement/Transfer students must schedule an appointment with a nursing counselor in order to discuss their eligibility. Advanced Placement/Transfer students are required to meet the same standards for admission in addition to successful completion of Nursing 19. Entry is based on space available.
- ✓ Inactive files are destroyed after four semesters.