This program prepares students to meet the standards of the California Board of Registered Nursing. The program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing and accredited by the Accreditation Commission of Education in Nursing. Upon completion of the program, graduates receive an Associate in Science degree and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a Registered Nurse.

**PROGRAM CRITERIA**

Admission to the Nursing program **MUST** meet the following criteria:

- An overall grade point average of 2.5 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.
  - Only one repetition (excluding W) in the group of science prerequisite courses (Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology) is allowed within the last 5 years at the time of application.
- College-level English composition class (minimum 3 semester units) with a grade no less than C;
- Be in good standing at Santa Monica College (not on academic or lack-of-progress probation);
- Meet the minimum physical qualifications and essential functions (more information at smc.edu/nursing);
- Must have negative criminal background check and drug screening.
  - Persons who have been convicted of misdemeanor or felony may not qualify for licensure to practice nursing in California.
- Must take and achieve the required score on an Admission Assessment; and
- Must have a valid Social Security Number or a valid Individual Tax Identification Number.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Atlanta, GA 30326
(404) 975-5000
acenursing.org
**REQUIRED NURSING COURSES**

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**Total Units for Area of Emphasis** 40

**COSTS**

The estimated cost of the entire Nursing Program over two years is $4,000-$5,000.

Students should be prepared to spend approximately $1,000 the first semester for books, equipment, uniforms, and tuition.

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All prerequisites to the Nursing Program must be completed prior to application and posted on transcript.

**PREREQUISITE REQUIREMENTS (16 units)**

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

No online lab components are accepted.

**GRADUATION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

**THAT CAN BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO APPLICATION**

- Nursing 17 (3)
  - Prerequisite: Physiology 3
- Nursing 36 (1)
- Communication Studies 35 or 11 (3)
  - (COM ST 11 completed Summer 2013 or later)
- Psychology 19 (3)

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.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Nursing students who earned a Bachelor’s degree or higher at a U.S. regionally accredited institution are not required to complete the Associate Degree general education requirements below.

- Social Science – Group A (3)
- Humanities (3)
- Rationality (3)
- Global Citizenship (3)

Note: Many Global Citizenship courses are also in GE areas and can be used to satisfy both: refer to Associate Degree General Education Requirements.

SMC ADN requirements must be successfully completed prior to graduation.