

PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR

Coursework in social/behavioral/biological sciences, humanities, language/rationality forms the broad educational base for the practice of nursing. Coursework in the nursing major, taken in three semesters, prepares the student in skill acquisition and nursing knowledge 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.

Students seeking admission to the Nursing Program must meet ALL of the following criteria:

- ✓ An overall grade point average of 2.5 for the Human Anatomy, Human Physiology and Microbiology pre-requisite courses (at least 4 semester units of each) with no grade less than "C" for each course and no more than one repetition/withdrawal of any of these courses. You may repeat one of these courses.
- ✓ College level, transferable English, minimum of (3) semester units with a grade no less than a "C".
- ✓ Completion of Nursing 19 at SMC with a "C" grade or better.
- ✓ A cumulative grade point average of 2.5 for ALL college coursework taken.
- ✓ Good standing status at Santa Monica College (academic and in-progress)
- ✓ Meet the minimum physical qualifications & essential functions of Nursing students www.smc.edu/nursing/majorpreparation.htm
- ✓ Must have a negative criminal background check.
- ✓ Must take and achieve the required score on a CA Chancellor's Office approved Admissions Assessment.
- ✓ Students must have a valid Social Security Number.
- ✓ Must have valid CA LVN license, IV Certification and one year's experience in direct patient care within the past two years.

Students should be prepared to spend approximately \$1,000-\$2000 for the entire Nursing Program.

Requirements for Admission are subject to change

CONTACT INFORMATION

Main campus and mailing address:
Health Sciences, Santa Monica College
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Santa Monica, CA 90405

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ACCREDITING AGENCIES

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For information regarding the ADN Program or LVN-ADN Hybrid Program, please see specific brochures.

PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY MAY NOT QUALIFY FOR LICENSURE TO PRACTICE NURSING IN CALIFORNIA. FOR FURTHER DETAILS, STUDENTS MUST CONTACT THE ASSOCIATE DEAN OF HEALTH SCIENCES.



LVN to ADN Career Ladder 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 National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission.

Upon completion of the nursing program, graduates receive their Associate in Arts Degree - Nursing Major and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a Registered Nurse.

Tel: 310-434-3450
www.smc.edu/nursing

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING MAJOR CURRICULUM

PRE-PREPARATION

High School Chemistry/Chemistry 10•

REQUIREMENT

12TH grade reading level

REQUIRED PREREQUISITES (18 units)

- ◆ English 1 (3 units)
- ◆ Anatomy 1 (4 units)
- ◆ Physiology 3 (4 units)
- ◆ Microbiology 1 (5 units)
- ◆ Nursing 19 (2 units)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (21 units)

Nursing 17 (3)
 Speech 5 (3)
 Psychology 19 (3)
 Sociology 1 (3)
 Social Science—Group A (3) (See * below)
 Global Citizenship/Humanities (3) (See **below)
 Math Requirement (3) (See*** below)

REQUIRED NURSING COURSES (24 units)

1st Term/Semester

Prerequisite: Nursing 19

Nursing 25, Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing (1.5)
 Nursing 25L, Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Laboratory (1.5)
 Nursing 28, Community-Based Nursing (1) +
 Nursing 16, Physical Assessment (1) +
 Nursing 17, Pharmacological Aspects of Nursing (3) +

2nd Term/Semester

Prerequisites: Nursing 25/25L, Nursing 16, Nursing 28, Nursing 17

Nursing 30, Intermediate Medical/Surgical Nursing (2.5)
 Nursing 30L, Intermediate Medical/Surgical Nursing Laboratory (2.5)

Prerequisites: Nursing 30, Nursing 30L

Nursing 35, Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing (2.5)
 Nursing 35L, Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing Laboratory (2.5)

3rd Term/Semester

Prerequisites: Psychology 19, Nursing 35 & 35L

Nursing 40, Nursing of Children/ Pediatrics (1.5)
 Nursing 40L, Nursing of Children/Pediatrics Laboratory (1.5)
 Nursing 45, Maternal/ Infant Nursing (1.5)
 Nursing 45L, Maternal/Infant Nursing Laboratory (1.5)

Prerequisites: All other coursework in approved nursing curriculum

Nursing 50, Professional Role Transition (1)
 Nursing 50L, Professional Role Transition Lab (2)
60 TOTAL UNITS

LVN 30-UNIT OPTION

No degree granted; Limitations outside CA; IV Therapy Certification Required

REQUIRED PRE-REQUISITES

Nursing 19 (2 units); Physiology 3(4 units);
 Microbiology 1 (5 units)

Nursing 25, Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing (1.5)
 Nursing 25L, Psych Mental Health Nursing Lab (1.5)
 Nursing 28, Community-Based Nursing (1) +
 Nursing 16, Physical Assessment (1) +
 Nursing 35, Adv Medical/Surgical Nursing (2.5)
 Nursing 35L, Adv Medical/Surgical Nursing Lab (2.5)
 Nursing 40, Nursing of Children/ Pediatrics (1.5)
 Nursing 40L, Nurs of Children/Pediatrics Lab (1.5)
 Nursing 45, Maternal/ Infant Nursing (1.5)
 Nursing 45L, Maternal/Infant Nursing Lab (1.5)
 Nursing 50, Professional Role Transition (1)
 Nursing 50L, Professional Role Transition Lab (2)

30 TOTAL UNITS

- Prerequisite to Physiology & Microbiology at SMC
- + Must be completed by the end of 1st Term
- * Hist 10 (may also satisfy Global Citizenship requirement)/11/12/15/45/46; Econ 15; Pol Sci 1
- ** Art 72/Dance 2/English 10/Music 33/Music 37/Cinema 7/Speech 4
- *** Could be met by Math Assessment or Math Proficiency Test. For details, visit:
www.smc.edu/transfer/articulation/aa_degree.pdf or see a Counselor

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 entry into designated class. Some courses can be taken prior to entry into designated class.

SMC ADN requirements must be taken prior to graduation.

Visit www.smc.edu/transfer/articulation for more information.

Enrollment in the Nursing Program is open to persons regardless of sex, age, marital status, disability, ethnic group, religion or national origin.

APPLICATION & ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURE

- ✓ Students may apply for admission to the SMC Nursing Program **after they have successfully completed all of the prerequisites.** Contact the Health Sciences Dept or check the website for an appointment to apply 310.434.3450
- ✓ Official college transcripts from ALL colleges attended, including high school or GED equivalence, must be sent directly from the colleges to Admissions & Records -1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, CA. 90405.
- ✓ After successful completion of Nursing 19, applicants must meet with the Associate Dean of Health Sciences.
- ✓ Once a student has officially applied, their name will be placed on our waitlist for the appropriate Nursing course.
- ✓ Once placed on the waitlist, applicants must take and achieve the required Admissions Assessment score.
- ✓ Accepted applicants will receive an acceptance letter for Fall or Spring.
- ✓ Applicants are responsible to notify the Health Sciences Department of any changes that may affect their eligibility status. This includes official transcripts, change in address or phone, and any documentation that is essential for determination of readiness to begin the nursing program. Inactive files are destroyed after four semesters.
- ✓ Students with foreign course work completed may require additional transcript evaluation. Please check with a nursing counselor.