



# ASSOCIATE DEGREE Nursing



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](http://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

### Mailing Address

Health Sciences  
Santa Monica College  
1900 Pico Boulevard  
Santa Monica, CA 90405

### Nursing Program/Satellite Location

3171 S. Bundy Drive,  
3rd Floor, Room 318  
Los Angeles, CA, 90066  
*(located south of the  
Santa Monica Airport)*

### Health Sciences

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## ACCREDITING AGENCIES

### California Board of Registered Nursing

1747 N. Market Blvd., Suite 150  
Sacramento, CA 95834  
[rn.ca.gov](http://rn.ca.gov)

### Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, (ACEN)

3343 Peachtree Road, Suite 850  
Atlanta, GA 30326  
(404) 975-5000  
[acenursing.org](http://acenursing.org)

## REQUIRED NURSING COURSES

FIRST SEMESTER		UNITS
NURSNG 1	Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts 1	2
NURSNG 1L	Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts 1 Lab	2.5
NURSNG 36	Calculations in Drugs And Solutions	1
NURSNG 2	Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts 2	2.5
NURSNG 2L	Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts 2 Lab	2.5

SECOND SEMESTER		
NURSNG 3	Adult Health Nursing Concepts 1	2.5
NURSNG 3L	Adult Health Nursing Concepts 1 Lab	2.5
NURSNG 17	Pharmacological Aspects of Nursing	3
NURSNG 4	Mental Health Nursing Concepts	1.5
NURSNG 4L	Mental Health Concepts Lab	1.5

THIRD SEMESTER		
NURSNG 5	Adult Health Nursing Concepts 2	2.5
NURSNG 5L	Adult Health Nursing Concepts 2 Lab	2.5
NURSNG 6	Maternal Newborn Nursing Concepts	1.5
NURSNG 6L	Maternal Newborn Nursing Concepts Lab	1
NURSNG 7	Pediatric Nursing Concepts	1.5
NURSNG 7L	Pediatric Nursing Concepts Lab	1

FOURTH SEMESTER		
NURSNG 8	Adult Health Nursing Concepts 3	2.5
NURSNG 8L	Adult Health Nursing Concepts 3 Lab	2.5
NURSNG 9	Nursing Leadership Concepts	1.5
NURSNG 9L	Nursing Leadership Concepts Lab	2

<b>Total Units for Area of Emphasis</b>	<b>40</b>
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## 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.

**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.**