



Academic Year
2011 - 2012

Nursing Programs

LVN Transition to Registered Nurse
Registered Nurse

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A.S. Degree Requirements for Nursing Programs

Visit the Counseling Center to apply for the degree and for academic planning assistance.

See the Nursing Program Web site for application guidelines and materials at www.deanza.edu/nursing.

1. Completion of a minimum of 90 quarter units of college credit, of which:
 - A minimum of 24 quarter units must be earned at De Anza College.
 - A maximum of 22 quarter units from another institution may be applied toward the MAJOR.
2. Completion of General Education requirements for Nursing A.S. degree students with a minimum 2.0 GPA ("C" average).
3. Completion of all De Anza courses must be with a minimum 2.0 GPA ("C" average), and all De Anza courses combined with courses transferred from other colleges or universities must be with minimum 2.0 GPA ("C" average).

For the Nursing programs, completion of all major requirements with a letter grade of "C" grade or better is required. Major requirement courses can also be used to satisfy GE requirements.

Licensed Vocational Nurse Transition to Registered Nurse A.S. Degree

Admission to the program is limited. The Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) Transition to Registered Nurse (RN) Program is a minimum of three (3) quarters in length, not including summer. LVN Transition to RN students enter the Registered Nursing program as advanced placement students as determined by the Director of the Nursing Program. Prior clinical experience in an acute setting will influence student's placement in the program. Admission to the program depends on space availability. The majority of courses are held in the daytime.

Current California LVN license is required.

Graduates of this program are eligible to take the California State Board Examination for licensing (NCLEX-RN). Students are admitted throughout the year as advanced placements. Once admitted, the program is at least three (3) quarters in length (not including prerequisites).

Student Learning Outcomes - upon completion, students will be able to:

- pass the professional licensure exam for Registered Nurse (NCLEX).
- provide competent nursing care as a novice RN in multiple health care settings.

Admission Criteria

Admission to the program is limited and based on the following:

- Completion of all prerequisites with the minimum grade requirements specified below.
- Completion of a nursing program application.
- Participation in the random selection process.
- Current California Vocational Nurse License.
- Intravenous Certification.
- Evidence of good health.
- Background check and drug testing prior to entry into the program. Clinical sites may limit student participation depending on findings, which may prevent the student from completing the graduation requirements.

Prerequisites

Complete with a "C" grade or better:

ANTH 2	Cultural Anthropology (4)	
or		
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology (4)	4
MATH 114	Intermediate Algebra	5
Complete the following with a "C" grade or better and a minimum combined grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 ("B" average):		
BIOL 26^	Introductory Microbiology	6
BIOL 40A^	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5
BIOL 40B^	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5
BIOL 40C^	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5
BIOL 45^	Introduction to Human Nutrition	4
EWRT 1A	Composition and Reading (5)	
or		
ESL 5*	ESL: Advanced Composition & Reading (5)	5
PSYC 1	General Psychology	4
PSYC 14	Developmental Aspects of Psychology	4
SPCH 1	Public Speaking (4)	
or		
SPCH 10	Fundamentals of Oral Communication (4)	4
	Prerequisite Units Required	51

^ Course must be completed within seven (7) years of nursing program admission screening.

* ESL 5 restricted to students whose native language is not English.

Note: BIOL 40A,B,C were formerly BIOL 47A,B,C, and BIOL 45 was formerly NUTR 58.

Requirements

Admitted students complete the major courses and General Education requirements to earn the degree.

Major Requirements*

Complete with a "C" grade or better:

NURS 85A	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	2
NURS 85AL	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing (Clinical)	2.5
NURS 85	Advanced Medical/Surgical Concepts	2
NURS 85L	Advanced Medical/Surgical Concepts (Clinical)	2.5
NURS 86	Leadership/Management in Nursing	2
NURS 86L	Leadership/Management in Nursing (Clinical)	5
	Total Units Required, Including Prerequisites.	67

Recommended: NURS 150W Nursing Laboratory Skills

*Fewer or more major courses from the RN curriculum may be required at the discretion of the Executive Head of the Nursing program depending on the student's previous education.

A.S. Degree General Education Requirements

Complete with a minimum 2.0 GPA:

- Area C - Arts and Humanities
- Intercultural Studies - one course taken in Area C or D
- Area E - Physical Education, Development and Performance: one (1) unit required

Note: A.S. Degree General Education Areas A, B, and D are satisfied through completion of the prerequisites and major courses.

Registered Nurse (RN)

A.S. Degree

Admission to the program is limited. The RN Program starts every quarter except summer quarter and is six (6) quarters in length. Nursing classes are generally not offered in the summer. The majority of courses are held in the daytime.

The Associate Degree Nursing program is accredited by the California Board of Registered Nursing. The RN graduate is eligible to take the California State Board Examination for licensing (NCLEX-RN). Students are admitted to this program during the fall, winter and spring quarters. Once admitted, the program is six (6) quarters in length (not including prerequisites).

Student Learning Outcomes - upon completion, students will be able to:

- pass the professional licensure exam for Registered Nurse (NCLEX).
- provide competent nursing care as a novice RN in multiple health care settings.

Admission Criteria

Admission to the program is limited and based on the following:

- Completion of all prerequisites with the minimum grade requirements specified below.
- Completion of a nursing program application.
- Participation in the random selection process.
- Evidence of good health.
- Background check and drug test (two times each): once each prior to entry into the program and once each prior to beginning Quarter 4 of the program. Clinical sites may limit student participation depending on findings, which may prevent the student from completing the graduation requirements.

Prerequisites

Complete with a passing grade of "C" or better/"P"(Pass):

NURS 50	Career Opportunities in Nursing	2
MATH 114	Intermediate Algebra	5

The following prerequisites for the Registered Nursing Program will be used for screening and admission into the RN Program.

Complete the following with a "C" grade or better and a minimum combined GPA of 3.0 ("B" average):

BIOL 26^	Introductory Microbiology	6
BIOL 40A^	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5
BIOL 40B^	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5
BIOL 40C^	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5
BIOL 45^	Introduction to Human Nutrition	4
EWRT 1A	Composition and Reading (5)	4
or		
ESL 5*	ESL: Advanced Composition & Reading (5)	5
PSYC 1	General Psychology	4
PSYC 14	Developmental Aspects of Psychology	4
SPCH 1	Public Speaking (4)	4
or		
SPCH 10	Fundamentals of Oral Communication (4)	4

^ Course must be completed within seven (7) years of nursing program admission screening.

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Conditional Requirement

Complete one (1) of the following courses with a "C" grade or better and before or during the first quarter of the RN Program:

ANTH 2	Cultural Anthropology (4)	4
or		
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology (4)	4
	Prerequisite Units Required	53

Requirements

Admitted students complete the major courses and General Education requirements to earn the degree.

Major Requirements

Complete with a "C" grade or better:

NURS 81	Fundamental Nursing (Non Acute/ Sub Acute Care)	4
NURS 81L	Fundamental Nursing (Non Acute/ Sub Acute Care Clinical)	5
NURS 81P	Pharmacology I	1.5
NURS 82	Acute Fundamentals/Medical Surgical I	4
NURS 82L	Acute Fundamentals/Medical Surgical I (Clinical)	5
NURS 82P	Pharmacology II	1.5
NURS 83	Perinatal Nursing	2
NURS 83L	Perinatal Nursing (Clinical)	2.5
NURS 83A	Pediatric Nursing	2
NURS 83AL	Pediatric Nursing (Clinical)	2.5
NURS 83P	Pharmacology III	1.5
NURS 83PL	Pharmacology III Lab	0.5
NURS 84	Medical/Surgical II (Care of the Older Adult)	4
NURS 84L	Medical/Surgical II (Care of the Older Adult Clinical)	5
NURS 84C	Critical Thinking in Nursing	2
NURS 85	Advanced Medical/Surgical Concepts	2
NURS 85L	Advanced Medical/Surgical Concepts (Clinical)	2.5
NURS 85A	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	2
NURS 85AL	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing (Clinical)	2.5
NURS 86	Leadership/Management in Nursing	2
NURS 86L	Leadership/Management in Nursing (Clinical)	5
	Total Units Required,	
	Including Prerequisites	111

Recommended: NURS 150, 150W Nursing Laboratory Skills (0.5 - 1)

A.S. Degree General Education Requirements

Complete with a minimum 2.0 GPA:

- Area C - Arts and Humanities
- Intercultural Studies - one course taken in Area C or D
- Area E - Physical Education, Development and Performance: one (1) unit required

Note: A.S. Degree General Education Areas A, B, and D are satisfied through completion of the prerequisites and major courses.

Additional Information

California Nursing Assistants

Students with a current California Nursing Assistant Certificate who complete the required criteria for entrance into the Registered Nursing Program and are admitted to the program may take the following courses in place of NURS 81 and NURS 81L at the discretion of the Executive Head of the Nursing Program:

NURS 81N	CNA Transition (Non Acute/Sub Acute Care) (3)
NURS 81NL	CNA Transition (Non Acute/Sub Acute Care Clinical) (2)

Advanced placement due to prior nursing education

The student must first complete the screening requirements for entrance into the Registered Nursing Program and be admitted to the program. Placement is done on a space-available basis only after equivalency of previous nursing education has been evaluated by the Executive Head of the Nursing Program.

For LVN students transitioning to the RN Program, see the LVN Transition to RN section.

District Non-Discrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Foothill-De Anza Community College District not to discriminate on basis of race, sex, physical handicap, religion, color, creed, national origin, sexual orientation or age in any of its educational and employment programs and activities, its policies, practices and procedures.

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