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DIVISION OFFICE

The Nursing Department offers a sequence of courses leading to an Associate of Science Degree with a major in nursing. Students learn to function in a variety of health care settings and aid patients, through the nursing process, attain or maintain their optimum level of wellness. Graduates are eligible to take the national licensing exam and become licensed as a Registered Nurse in the state of California.

Learning activities are conducted on the San Bernardino Valley College campus and in local hospitals and community agencies. After completion of prerequisites, students must apply and be accepted. Prerequisite courses and the admission process is explained below as well as in a pamphlet available in the Health Science Division Office and the Counseling Center, Registered Nursing Program: How to Prepare for R.N. Licensure and online. The program is accredited by the California State Board of Registered Nursing and the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, 60 Broadway - 33rd Floor, New York, NY 10006.

Licensed Vocational Nurses may also take courses leading to Registered Nursing licensure. See the following section on **OPTIONS FOR LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSES**. Information is available in the Health Science Division Office in a brochure, LVN to RN Nursing Program, and online.

A background check is required for admission. California may deny the Registered Nurse (R.N.) license based on any conviction or legal action related to nursing practice. For further information: www.rn.ca.gov.

Core competencies emphasized by courses in this department:

- Read and retain information
- Find and interpret information
- Apply learned knowledge to new situations
- Apply principles of scientific reasoning to solve problems
- Accept responsibility for own actions
- Exhibit personal, professional and academic honesty

- Display behavior consistent with ethical standards within a discipline.
- Set goals for educational, personal and professional development.

PREREQUISITES FOR THE NURSING PROGRAM

1. Graduation from high school or its equivalent (G.E.D. or the California State High School Proficiency Exam), or Bachelor Degree.
2. Demonstrate competency in English and mathematics by satisfying the following criteria:
 - a) Competency in English demonstrated by completion of ENGL 015 or ENGL 101 with a grade of C or higher.
 - b) Competency in mathematics is demonstrated by:
 - i. Completion of MATH 090 or a higher level course in mathematics with a grade of C or higher or
 - ii. Completion of a mathematics proficiency examination which is equivalent to a comprehensive final examination in MATH 090 equivalent to a grade of C or higher or
 - iii. Completion of BUSCAL 091 or TECALC 087 with a grade of C or higher.
3. Prerequisite courses listed below must be completed before entry into the nursing program. A grade of C or better and a minimum G.P.A. of 2.75 must be earned in prerequisite courses below.

BIOL 250 and BIOL 251	Human Anatomy	Human Physiology
	or	
BIOL 260 and BIOL 261	Human Anatomy	Human Physiology
BIOL 270	Microbiology	
PSYCH 100	Psychology	

Note:

- * BIOL 261 (or BIOL 250 and 251) and BIOL 270 must be taken within 5 years of admission to nursing course.
- * BIOL 251 has a prerequisite of BIOL 250
- * BIOL 261 has a prerequisite of BIOL 260 and CHEM 101
- * BIOL 270 has prerequisite of BIOL 250 or 260 or 261 and CHEM 101
- *CHEM 101 has a prerequisite of MATH 090

REQUIRED SUPPORT COURSES FOR THE NURSING PROGRAM

The following courses must be completed prior to graduation, or may be completed before entering the nursing program. A grade of C or better must be earned in each

ENGL 101	Freshman Composition	
SPEECH 100	Elements of Public Speaking	OR
SPEECH 111	Interpersonal Communication	
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	OR
ANTHRO 102	Cultural Anthropology	

The full-time program consists of four semesters of Monday through Friday, day-time classes with day or evening labs. Students are admitted in the Fall and Spring semesters.

STEPS TO APPLY FOR THE NURSING PROGRAM

Applications for the Nursing Program should be submitted in the semester when prerequisites are being completed and must be received by February 1 for entry in the Fall semester or by September 1 for entry in Spring semester. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

- * Application and admission to San Bernardino Valley College (Admissions & Records Office, Administration/ Student Services Building) or online.
- * Submit to the Nursing Department
 - a) "Application for Admission" form (available in the Health Science Division) or online.
 - b) Official college transcript from all colleges or universities attended except for SBVC or Crafton Hills College showing completed prerequisites that meet the required G.P.A. (if transcripts are from a foreign country, it must be evaluated).
 - c) High School completion document (transcript, or diploma, or G.E.D. score, or California High School proficiency exam score) or Bachelor degree.

ADMISSION TO THE NURSING PROGRAM

Applications will be evaluated according to the program requirements stated above. Students meeting all prerequisites will be considered for acceptance dependent upon space availability. If there are more students with requirements met than spaces available, students will be randomly ranked and accepted in the program. Students who have previously met the requirements will be accepted into the program first, followed by the current applicants who have met the requirements until the class is filled. Only if space is available will late applications be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

OPTIONS FOR LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSES

Students with a current California Vocational Nursing License who wish to become Registered Nurses may select one of the following:

Regular Nursing Program - Complete prerequisites and support courses listed above, apply and be accepted into the regular Nursing Program.

Option 1 - LVN to RN Bridge - Complete prerequisites and support courses for RN program listed above, and general

breadth requirements for the Associate of Science Degree. Apply by January 5 (March entry) and be accepted into the LVN to RN

Bridge program. Complete each of the following courses with a grade of C or higher: NURS 108, 109 (includes challenge exams to determine eligibility to enter the following courses) NURS 200, 202, 210, 212, and 217.

Option 2. LVN to RN, 30 Unit Option (This option fulfills the minimum requirements to take the RN licensing exam, but students who complete this option are not graduates of the program, do not earn a degree, and may not be eligible to be licensed in states other than California). Complete each of the following prerequisites with a grade of C or higher: BIOL 261 (or BIOL 250 and 251). Apply by January 5 (march entry) and be accepted into the LVN to RN, 30 unit Option Program. Complete each of the following courses with a grade of C or higher: NURS 108, 109 (includes challenge exams to determine eligibility to enter the following courses), NURS 200, 210, 211, 212, and 217.

NURSING ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE

To graduate with a major in Nursing, students must complete each of the following courses plus the general education requirements for the Associate of Science Degree with a grade of C or higher.

REQUIRED NURSING COURSES		UNITS
NURS 100	Introduction to the Associate Degree Nursing Program	1
NURS 102	Fundamentals of Nursing	4.5
NURS 104	Medical-Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS 108	Pharmacology for Nurses	1
NURS 110	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	5.5
NURS 112	Maternity Nursing	5
NURS 200	Medical-Surgical Nursing III	5.5
NURS 202	Pediatric Nursing	4.75
NURS 210	Nursing Care of the Critically III	2.5
NURS 211	Medical-Surgical Nursing IV	3.75
NURS 212	Psychiatric Nursing	2.75
NURS 217	Advanced Ethical and Legal Aspects of Nursing	1
TOTAL UNITS		42.25

