

NURSING

Associate in Science

Career/Technical (Major Code: 02360)

Prepares students for careers in nursing through the study of the humanities, natural/social sciences, and the field of nursing. Emphasis on nursing theory and clinical practice. Graduates are eligible to apply to the California Board of Registered Nursing to take the examination for licensure as a registered nurse.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- Upon completion of the program, the student will demonstrate the ability to actively participate and contribute to patient report meetings and patient/family conferences and analyze as well as prioritize the information obtained.
- Upon completion of the program, the student will demonstrate the ability to articulate professionally and competently in the healthcare setting on issues regarding patient care.
- Upon completion of the program, the student will analyze, compute and correctly provide medications to the patient in the healthcare setting.
- Upon completion of the program, the student will demonstrate collegiality and appropriate communication techniques when working with diverse healthcare providers, patients and family members.
- Upon completion of the program, the student will demonstrate critical thinking skills and differentiation in plan of care for patients from various cultural backgrounds.

Code	Title	Units
Prerequisites		
BIOL 260	HUMAN ANATOMY	4
BIOL 261	PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY *	4
BIOL 265	GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY *	4
ENGL C1000	ACADEMIC READING AND WRITING	4
or ENGL 115H	HONORS COLLEGE COMPOSITION: READING AND WRITING ANALYTICALLY	
or ESL 115A	COLLEGE COMPOSITION FOR MULTILINGUAL STUDENTS	
STAT C1000	INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS	4

The Math requirement can be met as evidenced by earning a "C" or better in STAT C1000, PSYC 270, or SOC 270, or a transferable STEM math course, except MATH 100 which does not meet the minimum program standards.

Prerequisite and general education courses need to be completed to be eligible to apply for the nursing program. Nursing students with a bachelor's degree from an accredited U.S. academic institution may receive credit for general education courses, and according to the California Board of Nursing, will still need to meet nursing curriculum requirements including anatomy, physiology, microbiology, general psychology, oral communication, English reading and composition course, and a child development or developmental psychology course.

Total Units **20**

Code	Title	Units
Take 3 units from Area C in Group 1: Fine Arts OR Group 2: Cultural Studies		
PSYC C1000	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSYC 230	DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
COMM 103	ORAL COMMUNICATION	3
or COMM 174	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION	
ENGL C1000	ACADEMIC READING AND WRITING	4
or ESL 115A	COLLEGE COMPOSITION FOR MULTILINGUAL STUDENTS	
Total Units		13

Code	Title	Units
First Semester		
ADN 112	FOUNDATIONS OF NURSING PRACTICE	4
ADN 112L	FOUNDATIONS OF NURSING PRACTICE LAB	4
ADN 118	PSYCH MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	1
ADN 118L	PSYCH MENTAL HEALTH NURSING LABORATORY	2
Second Semester		
ADN 113	MATERNAL NURSING	2
ADN 113L	MATERNAL NURSING LABORATORY	2
ADN 119	PEDIATRIC NURSING	2
ADN 119L	PEDIATRIC NURSING LAB	2
Third Semester		
ADN 221	ADULT NURSING	4
ADN 221L	ADULT NURSING LABORATORY	4
Fourth Semester		
ADN 214	NURSING SUPERVISION AND LEADERSHIP I	2
ADN 223	ADVANCED ADULT NURSING PRACTICE	3
ADN 223L	ADVANCED ADULT NURSING PRACTICE LAB	3
ADN 225	NURSING LEADERSHIP: PRECEPTORSHIP	1

To earn an associate degree, additional General Education and Graduation requirements must be completed. See SWC catalog and associate degree requirements.

Required science courses taken at Southwestern College have prerequisite courses of BIOL 100, BIOL 101 and CHEM 100 or CHEM 170 or equivalent.

Total Units **36**

Code	Title	Units
LVN to ADN Transition Program		
LVN TO ADN TRANSITION PROGRAM California licensed vocational nurses are eligible to apply to a one-year LVN-ADN transition program. Credit toward first year ADN courses is granted upon evidence of licensure. Students take a transition course before joining the ADN class.		
Completion of Prerequisites Required		
Prerequisites		
BIOL 260	HUMAN ANATOMY	4
BIOL 261	PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY *	4

BIOL 265	GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY *	4
ENGL C1000	ACADEMIC READING AND WRITING	4
or ENGL 115H	HONORS COLLEGE COMPOSITION: READING AND WRITING ANALYTICALLY	
or ESL 115A	COLLEGE COMPOSITION FOR MULTILINGUAL STUDENTS	
STAT C1000	INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS	4
Prerequisite and general education courses need to be completed to be eligible to apply for the nursing program. Nursing students with a bachelor's degree from an accredited U.S. academic institution may receive credit for general education courses, and according to the California Board of Nursing, will still need to meet nursing curriculum requirements including anatomy, physiology, microbiology, general psychology, oral communication, English reading and composition course, and a child development or developmental psychology course.		
Total Units		20

Code	Title	Units
First Semester		
ADN 115	TRANSITION TO ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING	1
ADN 115L	TRANSITION TO AS LABORATORY	1
Second Semester		
ADN 118	PSYCH MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	1
ADN 118L	PSYCH MENTAL HEALTH NURSING LABORATORY	2
ADN 221	ADULT NURSING	4
ADN 221L	ADULT NURSING LABORATORY	4
Third Semester		
ADN 214	NURSING SUPERVISION AND LEADERSHIP I	2
ADN 223	ADVANCED ADULT NURSING PRACTICE	3
ADN 223L	ADVANCED ADULT NURSING PRACTICE LAB	3
ADN 225	NURSING LEADERSHIP. PRECEPTORSHIP	1
Total Units		22

Code	Title	Units
30 Unit Option		
30 UNIT OPTION: California LVNs may take the "30 unit option" but will not be graduates from the nursing program or the College unless all other requirements are met. Please contact the director of the program for an explanation of the advantages and limitations of this option. Vocational nurses completing this option may be graduates of the Southwestern College nursing program and of the College only if they complete other graduation requirements prior to taking the licensure examination. Only those completing the requirements in the major are eligible to wear the Southwestern College nursing pin.		
Completion of Prerequisites Required		
Prerequisites (8 units)		
BIOL 261	PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY *	4
BIOL 265	GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY *	4

First Semester		
ADN 115	TRANSITION TO ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING	1
ADN 115L	TRANSITION TO AS LABORATORY	1
Second Semester		
ADN 118	PSYCH MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	1
ADN 118L	PSYCH MENTAL HEALTH NURSING LABORATORY	2
ADN 221	ADULT NURSING	4
ADN 221L	ADULT NURSING LABORATORY	4
Third Semester		
ADN 214	NURSING SUPERVISION AND LEADERSHIP I	2
ADN 223	ADVANCED ADULT NURSING PRACTICE	3
ADN 223L	ADVANCED ADULT NURSING PRACTICE LAB	3
ADN 225	NURSING LEADERSHIP. PRECEPTORSHIP	1
Total Units		30

* Or four semester units of equivalent courses from an accredited institution. Required science courses taken at Southwestern College have prerequisite courses of BIOL 100, BIOL 101 and CHEM 100 or CHEM 170 or equivalent.