

Programs Starting Fall 2025

Program Overview- Starting Fall 2025

Program Goals

Upon completion of the Associate in Science Nursing Program, the graduate:

- Obtain licensure to practice as a Registered Nurse through successful completion of the NCLEX-RN Examination.
- Function in all roles of the Registered Nurse as a competent entry level practitioner in all patient healthcare settings.
- Utilize evidence-based practices as a foundation for the safe delivery of healthcare to the patient and family.
- Contribute to improvement of healthcare systems to support high-quality, safe, patient centered nursing care.
- Incorporate lifelong professional and personal development as a part of one's identity as a nurse.

Program Terminal Objectives

- Upon completion of this program, students will evaluate nursing care provided to clients, families, groups, populations, and communities from diverse backgrounds in a variety of settings to ensure that it is compassionate, age and culturally appropriate and based on a client's preferences, values and needs.
- Upon completion of this program, students will

collaborate with members of the interprofessional healthcare team to manage and coordinate client care.

- Upon completion of this program, students will demonstrate the use of current evidence and clinical expertise when making clinical decisions.
- Upon completion of this program, students will integrate technologies into practice that support clinical judgment in the management of client care.
- Upon completion of this program, students will use quality improvement strategies to effect change in the delivery of client care.
- Upon completion of this program, students will evaluate the effectiveness of strategies used to support a culture of safety that reduces the risk of injury to patients, self and others.
- Upon completion of this program, students will integrate accountable and responsible behaviors that uphold established regulatory, legal, and ethical principles.
- Upon completion of this program, students will use leadership, management and priority-setting skills in the provision and management of safe, quality client-centered care
- Upon completion of this program, students will use communication skills that promote an effective exchange of information, development of therapeutic relationships, and shared decision making.

End of Program Student Learning Outcomes (EPSLO's)

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Program Semester Themes

1st Provision of Safe Care

2nd Effective Communication, Teaching, and Advocacy

3rd Application of Critical Thinking

4th Leadership

Program Mission

Offer an Associate in Science Nursing Program that fosters nursing excellence for diverse communities through our teaching and learning environment founded on evidence-based practice, and committed to developing competent, caring nurses.

Program Vision

Aspire to be the Nursing Program of choice that graduates choose. Highly skilled clinicians who will shape the future of nursing.

Program Values

1. We are committed to the learning and success of our students, because student success is a measure of our success as nurse educators.
2. We believe that caring nurses promote a healthy body, mind, and spirit in individuals, families, and communities.
3. We are committed to serving our local, state, and global communities. We promote and maintain positive relationships with our community partners and promote health by educating nurses committed to work and service in their community.
4. We are dedicated to student-centered teaching. We value evidence-based teaching strategies and active, collaborative, experiential learning. Teaching and learning are a partnership in which students are ultimately responsible for their learning and accountable for their nursing practice.
5. We encourage the pursuit of excellence through lifelong learning. We expect our graduates to utilize sound clinical judgment and evidence-based nursing action.

6. We promote professional standards of practice because we believe honor and integrity are essential to learn and practice in nursing.
7. We value collegial collaboration as well as the rights and responsibilities of academic freedom. We encourage thoughtful and civil discourse, recognizing that free exchange of informed ideas enhances individual and community decision-making.
8. We appreciate and celebrate the diversity and the interconnectedness in our faculty, students, and in the communities in which we practice.

Program Philosophy

The philosophy of the Associate in Science Nursing Program focuses on the individual needs of learners and clients (persons), within the context of families, communities, and environments who exist on a health-illness continuum. Learning occurs via a dynamic and synergistic process that prepares the learner to function effectively as an entry-level registered nurse, provider of care across the health/illness continuum, and as a member within the profession.

Program Framework

Meta Concepts and Concepts

Nursing Process- Assessment, diagnosis, planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Evidence-Based Practice- Integrate best current evidence with clinical expertise and patient/family preferences and values for delivery of optimal health care.

Culture and Spirituality- enculturation into the healthcare profession.

Caring Concepts

- Safety- Safety refers to being protected from potential or actual harm and is considered a basic human need. Nurses provide continuous vigilance in oversight of the client/patient with the collaboration of others to ensure optimal well-being.
- Communication- Communication is an interpersonal interaction for the purpose of shared meaning with the goal of patient well-being.
- Mobility/Immobility- Being mobile or moveable to the fullest potential as determined by the patient/client individual health status.
- Regulation- A dynamic state of equilibrium maintained on a continuum between wellness and illness.
- Perfusion- Continuous flow of oxygen to cells.
- Oxygenation – Process by which all cells participate in the exchange of oxygen and by products of metabolism.
- Elimination- Excretion of waste products
- Growth and Development – Progressive changes throughout the life span.
- Perception and Cognition- Cognition refers to all the processes in human thought. Perception is the ability to receive sensory input, through various physiological processes and interpret the stimulus and data into meaningful information.
- Self – A person's essential being that distinguishes them from others, especially considered as the object of introspection or reflective action.
- Metabolism- Chemical processes that occur within a person in order to maintain life.

Teaching and Learning

- Linda Caputi Model for Teaching and Thinking in Nursing
- Benner's Novice to Expert Theory
- Tanner's Clinical Judgment Model

Leveling

- 1st semester- stable patients and simple exemplars
- 2nd semester- mildly ill patients and introductory exemplars
- 3rd semester- moderately ill patients and intermediate exemplars
- 4th semester- severely ill patients and complex exemplars

Four Spheres of Nursing

- Wellness, Disease Prevention
- Chronic Disease Care
- Regenerative/Restorative Care
- Hospice/Palliative Care

Professional Standards- Massachusetts Nurse of the Future

- Patient-centered care
- Professionalism
- Leadership
- System-Based Practice
- Informatics and Technology
- Communication
- Teamwork and Collaboration
- Safety
- Quality Improvement
- Evidence-Based Practice

ASN Program

RN Program Prerequisites

Biology (minimum cumulative 2.00 GPA required)

- Biol 4, Human Anatomy 4 units

- Biol 5, Human Physiology 4 units
- Biol 6, Intro. Microbiology 4 units

Minimum combined 2.00 GPA for the courses below

- ENGL C1000, Academic Reading and Writing 4 units (If you have a better grade in English 1B or 1C, you may use that GPA for your merit-based admission score)
- STAT C1000 Introduction to Statistics 4 units OR PSYCH 6 Introduction to Statistics in Social and Behavioral Science
- Chem 2A Introduction Chemistry 5 units (If you have a better grade in Chem 2B or Chem 1A or Chem 1B you may use that GPA for your merit-based admission score)
- HLTH 10 Principles of Nutrition 3 units
- PSYC C1000 Introduction to Psychology 3 units
- Arts and Humanities GE 3 units (course taken to meet the general education area 3 requirement must, in the academic term in which it was completed, be listed as an approved course for the Humanities area in the academic catalog of the regionally accredited college at which the course was taken)
- Ethnic Studies GE 3 units (course taken to meet the general education Ethnic Studies area requirement must, in the academic term in which it was completed, be listed as an approved course for the Ethnic Studies area in the academic catalog of the regionally accredited college at which the course was taken)
- SOCIL 1 Introduction to Sociology OR ANTHR 2 Cultural Anthropology 3 units
- COMM C1000 Introduction to Public Speaking OR SPECH 6 Group Communications 3 units

Program Admission Criteria

- Completion of all program prerequisites:
2.00 cumulative Grade-point average for these courses:

Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology

- Pre-testing qualification- TEAS exam must be 70 or higher to apply
- Social Security Number or Active ITIN

RN Program Sequence of Courses grid and list out per semester

- NURS 11A- Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts (5 theory/4 lab units)
- NURS 11B- Fundamentals of Nursing Pharmacology (3 theory units)
- NURS 12A- Adult Health I (4 theory/4 lab units)
- NURS 12B- Nursing Care of Childbearing Families (2 theory/2 lab units)
- NURS 13A- Adult Health II (4 theory/4 lab units)
- NURS 13B- Pediatrics (2 theory/2 lab units)
- NURS 14A- Adult Health III with Leadership (theory 3/lab 3.5 units)
- NURS 14B- Integrated Nursing Concepts and NCLEX-RN Readiness (1.5 theory)
- NURS 14C- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (2 theory/2 lab units)

[Course Student Learning Outcomes](#)

LVN to RN Career Mobility

LVN to RN Career Mobility Program Prerequisites

Biology (minimum cumulative 2.00 GPA required)

- Biol 4, Human Anatomy 4 units
- Biol 5, Human Physiology 4 units
- Biol 6, Intro. Microbiology 4 units

Minimum combined 2.00 GPA for the courses below

- ENGL C1000, Academic Reading and Writing 4 units (If you have a better grade in English 1B or 1C, you may use that GPA for your merit-based admission score)
- STAT C1000 Introduction to Statistics 4 units OR PSYCH 6 Introduction to Statistics in Social and Behavioral Science
- Chem 2A Introduction Chemistry 5 units (If you have a better grade in Chem 2B or Chem 1A or Chem 1B you may use that GPA for your merit-based admission score)
- HLTH 10 Principles of Nutrition 3 units
- PSYC C1000 Introduction to Psychology 3 units
- Arts and Humanities GE 3 units (course taken to meet the general education Humanities area requirement must, in the academic term in which it was completed, be listed as an approved course for the Humanities area in the academic catalog of the regionally accredited college at which the course was taken)
- Ethnic Studies GE 3 units (course taken to meet the general education Ethnic Studies area requirement must, in the academic term in which it was completed, be listed as an approved course for the Ethnic Studies area in the academic catalog of the regionally accredited college at which the course was taken)
- SOCIL 1 Introduction to Sociology OR ANTHR 2 Cultural Anthropology 3 units
- COMM C1000 Introduction to Public Speaking OR SPECH 6 Group Communications 3 units
- NURS 12C- LVN-RN Bridge Course (Units: 4 theory/1 lab)- upon completion student earns credit for N11A Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts, N11B Fundamentals of Pharmacology, N12A Adult Health I, N12B Nursing Care of Childbearing Families

LVN to RN Career Mobility Program

Admission Criteria

- Completion of all program prerequisites:
2.00 cumulative Grade-point average for these courses:
Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology
- Pre-testing qualification- TEAS exam must be 70 or higher to apply
- Social Security Number or Active ITIN
- Valid LVN license with Current Intravenous Therapy certification
- Pass the Yuba College NURS 12C LVN to RN Bridge Course **prior** to applying to the program. Only the Yuba College NURS 12C course is accepted no other bridge course is equivalent *this is a California State Board of Nursing (BRN) requirement

Program Sequence of Courses grid and list out pre semester

- NURS 13A- Adult Health II (4 theory/4 lab units)
- NURS 13B- Pediatrics (2 theory/2 lab units)
- NURS 14A- Adult Health III with Leadership (theory 3/lab 3.5 units)
- NURS 14B- Integrated Nursing Concepts and NCLEX-RN Readiness (1.5 theory)
- NURS 14C- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (2 theory/2 lab units)

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30 Unit Option

Admission Criteria 30 Unit Option

LVN to Associate in Science Nursing

This is a non-degree nursing, non-graduate, education alternative. In accordance with California State Regulation 1429, this option allows the student to be eligible to take the NCLEX and apply for licensure as a registered nurse in California. However, states other than California may not grant RN licensure based upon the completion of this option. In addition, career ladder to a higher level (RN, BSN, MSN) is limited.

30 unit option students would be admitted into the second year (third semester) of the RN program, but it is not guaranteed and is dependent upon space availability. The applicants are also ranked see the [Readmission Policy](#) section in the Student Handbook.

If you are planning to apply to the Yuba College 30-unit option track student, you are required to obtain, read, and sign the [Non-Graduate Status Disclosure Information Sheet and Attestation](#).

Student must meet with the Director of Health & Medical Career Programs & Nursing by appointment email nahp@yccd.edu to meet prior to submitting request for the 30-unit option. Once students have entered the program, the 30-unit option is not available.

- Completion of prerequisites:
2.00 cumulative Grade-point average for these courses:
Physiology, Microbiology
- Pre-testing qualification- TEAS exam must be 70 or higher to apply
- Valid LVN license with Current Intravenous Therapy certification
- Pass the Yuba College NURS 13C- 30 unit option LVN-RN Bridge Course **prior** to applying to the program. Only the Yuba College NURS 13C course is accepted. No other

bridge course is equivalent *this is a California State Board of Nursing (BRN) requirement

- Social Security Number or Active ITIN

30 Unit Option LVN to Associate in Science Nursing Program Prerequisites

- Biology (minimum cumulative 2.50 GPA required)
- Biol 5, Human Physiology 4 units
- Biol 6, Intro. Microbiology 4 units
- NURS 13C- 30 unit option LVN-RN Bridge Course (Units: 6 theory/4 lab)- upon completion student earns credit for N11A Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts, N11B Fundamentals of Pharmacology, N12A Adult Health I, N13A Adult Health II, N12B Nursing Care of Childbearing Families, N13B Pediatrics

Sequence of courses for 30 Unit Option LVN to Associate in Science Nursing Program

- NURS 14A- Adult Health III with Leadership (theory 3/lab 3.5 units)
- NURS 14B- Integrated Nursing Concepts and NCLEX-RN Readiness (1.5 theory)
- NURS 14C- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (2 theory/2 lab units)

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