Registered Nurses (RNs) are in great demand. Completion of a high school diploma or GED is recommended. The pre-requisites for the Nursing Program can take two or more years to complete. The ADN Nursing Program itself takes two years to complete. Many graduates go on to complete bachelor’s and master’s degrees in nursing or other medical fields. For help in planning your studies, please make an appointment to see the nursing counselor at (760) 245-4271 ext. 2296 or 2531.

All courses listed, including prerequisites, must be completed with a “C” or better (“C-” is not acceptable). Minimum units for each area are shown in parentheses. Application Information: For specific enrollment criteria, refer to the Nursing Department webpage http://www.vvc.edu/academic/nursing/index.htm

LVNs, contact the Nursing Department for additional entry options.

Total units required: 77 minimum

Preparation for the Nursing Program Prerequisites:

- Biology 100 or 107 or 109 (4)
  and
- Chemistry 100 or 201 (5)
  Note: Math 50 prepares you for Chem 100

Prerequisites to the Program

Must be completed before applying to the Nursing program (4-5 units each)

- Biology 211 or 212, Human Anatomy
- Biology 221, General Microbiology
- Biology 231 or 232, Human Physiology

General Education Requirements for the Associate’s Degree

- **Group A** – All of the following
  - English 101 (3)
  - Psychology 110 (3)
  - Sociology 101 (3)

- **Group B** – Speech (3) – Choose one:
  - CMST 106, 107, 108, 109

- **Group C** – Mathematics (3) – Choose one:
  - Math 90, 104, 105, 120, 132, 226, 227, 228, 231, 270

- **Group D** – Humanities (3) – Choose one:

- **Group E** – Physical Education (1)
  Any PE course of 1 unit or more will satisfy this requirement

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ENROLLMENT PROCESS

After the prerequisites have been verified and there are still too many qualified applicants for the spaces available, the following steps will be followed for admission into the VVC Nursing Program.

1. Completion of all non-nursing courses applicable to the Associate Degree in Science, Nursing Major (with the exception of Non-graduate and 30-Unit Option Applicants).

2. Completion of 24 or more units at VVCC and/or Barstow Community College. These units must be from the prerequisite sciences and/or the general education courses as listed (excluding the Biology and Chemistry prerequisites to Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology).

3. Two or less withdrawals or incompletes (W or I) of the completed prerequisite courses (Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology).

4. Random draw for starting date.

5. Successful passing of composite score (=>67%) on the Testing of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam. (Basic Math, English, Reading, and Science)

If you do not meet ALL of the above criteria, you will not be placed on the wait list.

*** SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ***

The Nursing program is in the development stages of revising their Enrollment (selection) Process. Starting for applications received in 2010, the selection of Nursing students may be based on a merit based point system. A point system for entry eligibility is a common practice among many Nursing programs in the state. (Ref: California legislation AB 1559-Merit Based Enrollment)

Point systems assign scaled points for various categories such as, but not limited to:

- TEAS scores (composite or by basic skill area)
- Grades obtained in prerequisites and other pre-Nursing courses
- Community Service
- GPA
- Previous applications

The pertinent categories are currently being studied and assessed. We will make a formal announcement when a final determination is made and approvals to implement this change are received.

*** COUNSELING AVAILABLE ***

Please note that VVC’s Nursing Program is very popular and typically has a waiting list for qualified applicants. For further clarification of the enrollment process, or to discuss your other options in the health care field, we recommend that all potential Nursing majors meet with Diane Wollan, the college’s Nursing Program counselor. Please call (760) 245-4271, Ext. 2296 or 2531, or stop by the Counseling Department in the Counseling and Administration Building (#55) to make an appointment.

*The Nursing program reserves the right to bypass portions of the enrollment process to designate a certain number of spaces from any of the above entry options for contracts, grants, pilot programs or partnerships and/or to meet requirements of grant-designated outcomes.*

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