



NURSING DEPARTMENT INFORMATION SESSION SPRING 2021

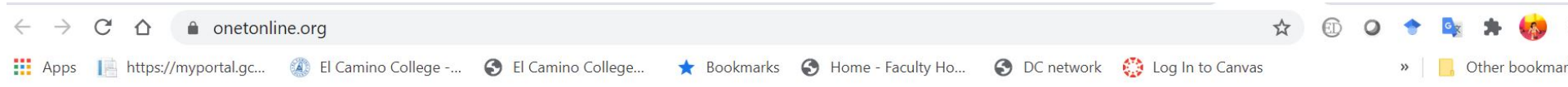


El Camino College

Registered Nurse Career Facts

- Registered Nurses constitute the largest healthcare occupation – about 3 million jobs
- About 60% of RN jobs are in hospitals
- Three typical educational paths to registered nursing: **Associate** (2-3 years), Bachelor's (4-5 years) & diploma from approved nursing program administered by hospitals (3 years): graduates from all 3 paths qualify for entry level position as staff nurse
- Take the National Council Licensing Examination (NCLEX RN) in order to obtain nursing license
Fingerprinting and Criminal Record check will be required, therefore, SSN or Tax ID # is required ; Board of Registered Nurses website: <http://www.rn.ca.gov>
- There are four typical areas of specialization:
 - I. Particular setting or type of treatment (peri-operative or emergency room)
 - II. Specific health conditions (diabetes, drug addiction, cancer-oncology)
 - III. Working with one or more organs/body system types (dermatology, cardiovascular)
 - IV. Work with well defined population (geriatric nurses, pediatrics)

Nursing Employment Outlook



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Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program Requirements

- Meet with [Nursing Counselor](#) to determine satisfaction of all requirements
- Provide proof of [HS graduation, GED or equivalent OR proof of college degree](#)
- Attend a Nursing Information Session (within a year) and make sure you sign in to get credit
- [Math 150](#) or equivalent or higher with grade of C or better
- Complete English 1A or equivalent with grade of C or better
- [Science Prerequisites](#): Microbiology 33 or equivalent AND one of the following options:
Option 1) Anatomy 32 & Physiology 31 or equivalent OR
Option 2) Anatomy & Physiology 34A & 34B (entire sequence must be taken at ECC)
- [Complete Nursing 143 \(Introduction to Nursing\) and Nursing 144 \(Dosage Calculations\)](#) with C grades or better. These courses must be done at ECC.

[Complete Psychology 16 \(Lifespan Psychology\)](#) or equivalent with a grade of C or better.
Complete Medical Terminology 1 or equivalent with a grade of C or better.

- Student must earn a 2.5 min gpa in all college courses, work done at ECC & outside ECC
- Must have a valid social security number or Tax ID # prior to entry into the nursing program

Counseling Appointments

Make a counseling appointment with a nursing counselor to determine satisfaction of all requirements.

Items to bring to your counseling appointment:

- **Unofficial copies of all of your college/ university transcripts.**
- **Your student id number (complete your application to the school if you have not done so)**
- **Information you may have gathered about a school that you would like to transfer to for nursing.**
- **Any questions or concerns you may have about our nursing program.**

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To make counseling appointment you must log onto your MyECC. New appointments for the following week become available on a rolling basis on Mondays at 9am. If you have difficulty making an appointment you can chat with counseling front desk staff on the counseling webpage.

Official Transcripts

High School Transcripts: Have the high school send you a sealed transcript and attach it to the application packet, do not send it directly to Admissions & Records since they will not make it available to the nursing department.

College Transcripts: Have the college send the official transcripts directly to ECC's Admissions & Records. If you requested e-transcripts email admissionshelp@elcamino.edu to request to have them downloaded to the system.

International transcripts: All coursework from outside the US must be evaluated by an ECC approved [foreign evaluation service](#). After the courses have been evaluated have the agency mail the evaluation directly or hand carry to ECC's Admissions & Records office.

Deadlines for all college transcripts and international evaluations to be in the El Camino College Admissions & Records office: August 1 for Fall applications and February 1 for Spring applications

Science Prerequisites

• **Microbiology 33*** or equivalent **AND** one of the following options:

Option 1) Anatomy 32 & Physiology 31* or equivalent **OR**

Option 2) Anatomy & Physiology 34A & 34B** (entire sequence must be taken at ECC)

***Chemistry course Chem 4, 20 or 21A is required as pre-requisite to Microbiology/Physiology Anatomy & Physiology 34A** has a pre or co-requisite of Chem 4, 20 or 21A**

A passed ECC Chemistry Placement test or AP Chemistry score of 4 or higher can be used to meet Chem. requirement

• **Must earn 2.5 gpa or higher in 3 science prerequisites; all science courses must be a minimum of 4 units & completed within 7 years of the application filing period; the first science course passed with C grade or higher is used for gpa calculation.**

• **Only one substandard science prerequisite course can be repeated within 7 years of the application filing period; C grades can only be repeated if they are more than 7 years old**

Prerequisite Nursing courses

Nursing 143 (145)- Introduction to Nursing (not required for the upward mobility program.)*

Nursing 144 (48)- Dosage Calculations

***LVNs with at least one year of acute or sub-acute care experience (no skills facility) and all other requirements are eligible to apply for the upward mobility program.**

New Prerequisite Nursing courses

Medical Terminology 1

***Psychology 16- Lifespan Psychology**

***Note: Not required for LVN upward mobility students. To take this course at El Camino or Compton College there is a prerequisite of Psychology 5, general psychology**

Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program General Education

- General Education courses must include:
 - Psychology 5
 - Soc 101 or Anthropology 2
 - English 1C
 - Communication Studies 100 (120, 130 or 140 may be substituted)
 - Humanities Requirement on the AS GE requirements
- General education courses are not required for admission into the Nursing program and may be taken before applying or after admission along with Nursing courses (recommend that you take them before admission)

Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program Deadlines & Procedures

- The application filing period for Fall 2021 was March 1, 2021 and end at 11:59 on Friday, March 19, 2021. The next filing period will be in September.
- Admissions into the Nursing Program will be based on points earned from [new Multi-criteria Admit Policy](#) (see handout); if you are not selected based on points accumulated for any given semester, you must reapply for next available semester
- About a month after the close of each application filing period, selected students will be invited to take the TEAS (www.atitesting.com). If taken outside ECC prior to this students need to send official scores to the nursing department at this time.
- Students will be notified of admissions status via El Camino College e-mail ONLY via the MYECC student portal before the Spring 2021 semester ends; about 40 spots available per semester for El Camino College.

Steps/Information needed after Admission to the ADN Program

- Upon notification of admission to program via ECC e-mail, student follow instructions and meet any deadlines outlined in the email. If deadlines, follow up documents or other required materials are not submitted admission may be rescinded.
- Student must attend orientation and attend first day of class or they will be dropped from the program and will not be eligible to reapply
- Student must maintain 2.0 gpa to continue in nursing program & only one single course in which a student has received a D or F grade may be repeated
- Nursing Student Handbook will address issues of self or faculty initiated leaves & readmission, clinical failure remediation, submission of appeal letters, etc.
- ECC is approved by the CA Board of Registered Nursing
- ECC's NCLEX passing rate is about 90% (*look for Nursing programs that have a min 80% passing rate*)

www.rn.ca.gov

Advanced Standing Programs-Option 1

Upward Mobility Requirements

- **Applicants include LVN (Licensed Vocational/Practical Nurses), Licensed Psychiatric Technicians & transfer students from accredited nursing programs**
 - **LVN students must be in possession of a current CA LVN/LPNs License (if applicable) & provide documentation that they have been employed for a minimum of one year in an acute care setting**
 - **Same requirements as ADN program except for Nursing 143 and Psych 16**
 - **Transfer credit for nursing classes taken outside of ECC will be evaluated by nursing director, credit can be achieved through petition or challenge process; transfer students from accredited ADN program must provide that he/she was a student in good standing and eligible to return to institution appeals process is available to ineligible students**
 - **All Nursing courses may be challenged but all general education courses for AS degree must be taken**
- ** Senate Bill allows students that have Bachelors degree to have met all General Ed/Graduation Requirements (including the math)**

Advanced Standing Programs-Option 2

30 unit non-degree Track

- **LVNs may establish eligibility to take state licensing exam to become RNs in CA only by completing a sequence of courses**
- **AS degree is not awarded upon completion of program & nurse will always be considered a non graduate, applicants admitted as space is available**
- **LVN students must be in possession of a current CA LVN/LPNs License (if applicable) & provide documentation that they have been employed for a minimum of one year in an acute care setting**
- **Complete Prerequisite courses to the Nursing Program and all general education courses with minimum 2.0 gpa**
- **Last resort option since it may limit job opportunities and will limit student to CA only**

Nursing Program Course Requirements

SAMPLE GENERIC ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING CURRICULUM

Semester 1				Semester 2			
	HOURS		Total Units		HOURS		Total Units
	Lecture	Lab			Lecture	Lab	
NURS 220 Fundamental Nursing and Skills (8 weeks)	4.5	10.125	3.5	NURS 230 Mental Health Nursing (8 weeks)	4.5	10.125	3.5
NURS 222 Beginning Medical-Surgical Nursing and the Older Adult (8 weeks)	4.5	10.125	4.0	NURS 232 Obstetrical Patients and the Newborn (4 weeks)	6.75	13.5	2.5
NURS 224 Nursing Pharmacology (16 weeks)	3.375		3.0	NURS 234 Pediatric Nursing (4 weeks)	6.75	13.5	2.5
NURS 226 Nursing Skills Practicum I (16 weeks)		1.68	0.5	NURS 238 Nursing Skills Practicum II (16 weeks)		1.68	0.5
*General Education Course	3.375		3.0	*General Education Course	3.375		3.0
Total Units			14.0	Total Units			12.0
Semester 3				Semester 4			
	HOURS		Total Units		HOURS		Total Units
	Lecture	Lab			Lecture	Lab	
NURS 240 Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing I (8 weeks)	4.5	13.5	4.0	NURS 247 Adv. M-S Nursing I (12 weeks)	4.5	13.5	6.0
NURS 242 Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing II (8 weeks)	4.5	13.5	4.0	NURS 248 Adv. M-S Nursing II Preceptorship (4 weeks)		27	2.0
NURS 244 Nursing Skills Practicum III (16 weeks)		1.68	0.5				
*General Education Course	3.375		3.0	*General Education Course	3.375		3.0
Total Units			11.5	Total Units			11.0
Total 1st Year Nursing Units			20	Total 2nd Year Nursing Units			16.5
*General Education Course Units			6	*General Education Course Units			6
Total 1st Year Units			26	Total 1st Year Units			22.5

GENERAL EDUCATION – Students enrolled in the nursing program are required to complete ALL General

Nursing Program Approximate Costs

APPROXIMATE PROGRAM COST	
72 units @ \$46 per unit	\$3312
Uniform	\$250
Shoes	\$50
Books	\$1500
ATI	\$300
Stethoscope	\$100
Student Health	\$80
Parking	\$120
Graduation	\$100
NCLEX	\$320
Physical Screening	\$300
CPR	\$110
Livescan	\$120
Iota Kappa Chi	\$20
Estimate of school supplies	\$300
TOTAL	\$6982

Estimated Costs \$5500-\$6500 for nursing program (Does not include any living expenses).

BSN University Programs

- Bachelor degree holders have increased opportunity for employment, higher salaries & opportunities for promotions (supervisors, teachers, etc)
- Basic programs (no ADN required) : CSULB, CSULA, Mt St Mary's, Charles Drew University Western University, UCLA & UCI (very competitive, average GPA for CSULA & CSULB, 3.9)
- Programs for AS degree holders: CSULB, CSULA, CSUN, CSUF & CSUDH; ADN to BSN programs, very few applicants
- One year accelerated programs exist at CSUN & Mt St Mary's
- El Camino's Nursing Program has ADN to BSN partnerships with Grand Canyon University (GCU), University of Phoenix (UOP) Chamberlain University, Cal State University Dominguez Hills (CSUDH), and Charles Drew University (CDU)
- Refer to transfer nursing guide sheets and inquire about university nursing panel in near future

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