

A.S. Registered Nursing (A.D.N) Degree 25-26



ABOUT THIS MAJOR

Registered Nurses use a scientific process to plan care for people in acute illnesses and teach them how to stay healthy or cope with their illness. They may give medicine, treatments, tests, injections, or

draw blood as prescribed by the Physician. Associate Degree Nursing prepares students to become Registered Nurses. The program follows the roles and responsibilities of the professional entry level registered nurse as defined in the State's nursing practice act. Graduates are prepared to take the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurses. This exam is required by the California Board of Registered Nursing and the boards of nursing of other states and U.S. Territories for licensure as a registered nurse. For more information, visit the [Health and Safety Sciences](#) division.

TO EARN A DEGREE A STUDENT MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

- [1] Completion of a minimum of 60-semester units or 90 quarter units of degree applicable courses
- [2] A minimum of 18-semester units in a major
- [3] Completion of 21 units AVC General Education Requirements
- [4] Minimum overall grade point average of 2.0
- [5] A "C" or better in all courses required for the major

A.S. Register Nursing

[Total Units 71]

The following **program prerequisites** must be completed prior to applying to the program with a 2.5 GPA and grades posted on official transcript at the time of application

Biology Repeat Policy:

Max 1 repeat allowed in BIOL 201/202/204. More than one repeat in any of these course's results in ineligibility to apply. Grades of D, F, and W count as attempts.

Program Prerequisites: TOTAL 13 UNITS (2.5 GPA minimum)	
Biology Repeat Policy: No more than 1 repeat is permitted for BIOL 201, 202, 204 courses	
BIOL201 - General Human Anatomy *pre-req: BIOL 100 or 101 or 102 or 110+ or 120+	4
BIOL202 - General Human Physiology *pre-req: BIOL 201+ & CHEM 101+	4
BIOL204 - General Microbiology *pre-req: BIOL 101 or 110+ or 120 & CHEM 101+	5
Program Prerequisites: TOTAL 7 UNITS (2.5 GPA minimum)	
ENGLC1000/H - Academic Reading and Writing/Honors	3
STATC1000/H - Introduction to Statistics/Honors	4

Required Courses: (C or better) TOTAL 36 UNITS	
Formal admission to RN program to enroll in the following courses	
NS101A - Fundamentals of Nursing Science	8
NS102A - Maternal and Newborn Nursing	3.5
NS103A - Medical Surgical Nursing I	5.5
NS201A - Psychiatric-Mental Health Nrs	3
NS202A - Medical Surgical Nursing II	5.5
NS203A - Pediatric Nursing	4
NS204A - Medical Surgical Nursing III	5.5
NS205A - Transition to Prof Nursing	1

Required General Education Courses: 18 UNITS	
Courses may be taken prior to being admitted to the RN program	
COMMC1000/HONORS - Introduction to Public Speaking	3
PHIL201 - Critical Thinking	3
PSY236 - Developmental Psychology	3
SOC101/HONORS - Introduction to Sociology	3
HIST107 -U.S. History, 1607-1877 or HIST108 - U.S. History from 1865	3
AVC GE area 6 Ethnic Studies - see back	3

RECOMMENDED PATHWAY

Registered Nursing

The Recommended Plan of Study is determined by the discipline faculty
Take classes in **Summer** or **Intersession** if needed to complete your degree in a timely manner!

Fall/Spring: Max 19 units | Summer: Max 9 units | Intersession: Max 6 units

Major General Education Program Prerequisites

Prerequisite for Program

Course	Units
▲ BIOL 201	4
▲ BIOL 202	4
▲ BIOL 204	5
▲ ENGL C1000/H {formally ENGL 101}	3
▲ STAT C1000/H {formally MATH 115}	4
Total Prereq Units	20

SEMESTER 1

Course	Units
■ NS 101A	8
● PSY 236	3
● COMMC1000 OR COMMC1000H	3
Total Units	14

SEMESTER 2

Course	Units
■ NS 102A	3.5
■ NS 103A	5.5
● PHIL 201	3
Total Units	12

SEMESTER 3

Course	Units
■ NS 201A	3
■ NS 202A	5.5
● SOC 101 OR SOC 101 HONORS	3
● AVC GE AREA 6: ETHNIC STUDIES	3
Total Units	14.5

SEMESTER 4

Course	Units
■ NS 203A	4
■ NS 204A	5.5
■ NS 205A	1
● HIST 107 OR HIST 108 (AVC GE AREA 3)	3
Total Units	13.5

COUNSELING NOTE SECTION

Prerequisite: If a course is listed as a prerequisite for another course, that prerequisite course must be completed with a satisfactory grade to enroll in the next course. A satisfactory grade is a grade of "A," "B," "C" or "P". Students who enroll in classes for which they do not meet the prerequisites will be involuntarily dropped. Students will be notified of this involuntary drop. Title 5, Section 55200(d)

AVC 25-26 CATALOG: ACADEMIC POLICIES Application Deadlines: (dates are subject to change, check HSS website)

- Jan.2- March 1 to be considered for fall admission.
- July 1 - September 1 to be considered for spring admission.

INFORMATION and RESOURCES

Tutoring Assistance	Career Center	AVC Student Health Services
Transfer Center	Office of Students with Disabilities	Palmdale Center
Basic Needs	Financial Aid	Counseling Division



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The ADN curriculum is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN). The curriculum meets the requirements of the BRN for eligibility to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The student who completes the program is eligible to apply for an associate in science degree. Students must be admitted to the Associate Degree Nursing Program to enroll in nursing science classes.

Application for all nursing programs will only be kept on file for two years from the date your application is turned in. If you are not accepted within that two-year period, you will be required to reapply to the program. Should any of the dates fall on a major holiday or weekend, the period will begin/end on the next business day.

Completed enrollment packets and satisfactory ATI TEAS results must be on file in the Health and Safety Sciences Division (Nursing Department Office) during the application period in which you are applying.

Diagnostic Assessment (TEAS®) All students are required to take the ATI TEAS and achieve a minimum score of 62 percent. Students who have completed enrollment packets on file are scheduled to take the ATI TEAS at AVC during the fall and spring semesters. Students may also take the test at any other testing site and pay to have the results sent electronically to the Nursing Department at AVC. Complete enrollment packets and successful ATI TEAS results must be on file **by March 1 to be considered for fall admission and September 1 to be considered for spring admission.**

***Diagnostic Assessment:** 3 hours & 30 minutes. Content: English Usage, Reading, Mathematics, Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology. *Students who do not pass the test the first time must complete the remediation plan and retest within one year of the first test date. *A study manual for the TEAS® is available from Assessment Technologies Institute, LLC (www.atitesting.com), or the Marauder Bookstore.

TEAS multiple times, ALL scores must be on file to be considered. If you were unsuccessful on the TEAS, you must pass on the second attempt otherwise you are disqualified from the program.

Additional Prerequisites to apply to RN program

1. Graduation from an accredited United States high school or an approved school or an approved equivalent or an associate degree or higher with graduation date posted on official transcript.
2. Freedom from communicable disease as verified by a licensed physician or certified nurse practitioner. Other health conditions that could impair the student's ability to perform the essential functions of a nursing student safely and competently will be examined on a case-by-case basis.
3. Students are required to have a background screening (no felonies allowed).
4. Diagnostic Assessment (TEAS®) All students are required to take the ATI TEAS and achieve a minimum score of 62 percent.

Multiple Screening Criteria: • Previous academic degrees. • GPA in relevant science courses. • GPA in remaining prerequisite courses (ENGL 101 & MATH 115 or equivalent courses). • Life experiences and special circumstance. • Proficiency or advanced coursework in languages other than English. • Results on the assessment test (Test for Essential Academic Skills, TEAS®). • Students not accepted will remain on a waiting list for the next enrollment period.

Licensure: The Associate Degree Nursing program prepares graduates and program completers for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses. This exam is required by the California Board of Registered Nursing and the boards of nursing of other states and U.S. territories for

AVC GE AREA 6: ETHNIC STUDIES Effective Fall 2025

ETHN 101, 102, 110, 111, 112, 113, ENGL 257 OR ETHN 257EN,

Application Process

* Beginning January 2026, applications for admission will be online only. Check back for more information regarding this change*

1. Apply to AVC to receive a Student ID Number. If you already have a 900 number, you will still want to apply to the college to make your status active.

2. Request 2 official copies of transcripts from ALL colleges attended. This is important for all current and new AVC students. ONE official set will need to be sent to the transcripts department; ONE official set will need to be attached to your application. DO NOT OPEN any of the transcripts otherwise they will not be accepted.

3. Request official transcripts from high school/GED. This option is waived if you have a college degree, Associates or higher. This will need to be attached to your application and must be official. Copies of diplomas or certificates will not be accepted.

4. Attach a copy of the Educational Plan completed by one of the listed AVC Counselors assigned to the Health & Safety Sciences Division.

Appointments can be made by email at counseling@avc.edu or by calling 661-722-6300, extension 6338, to schedule an appointment.

The form should be completed no more than one semester prior to submitting the enrollment packet. **If you are requesting an equivalency or substitution, allow at least six weeks for the process to be completed.** All students must see an AVC counselor before they submit an enrollment packet. Counselors complete Educational Planning and Evaluation Forms by appointment only.

Please note, counseling WILL NOT schedule students for an educational planning and evaluation of transcripts two weeks from the application deadline. Please do not wait until the last minute to schedule this appointment if you are trying to apply by the deadline.

5. Once steps 1 - 4 have been completed, attach your educational plan, official college transcripts from all colleges INCLUDING AVC, attach official transcripts showing graduation of high school or GED (unless you have a college degree noted on your transcripts), fill out application for Nursing Program and turn into the Health and Safety Sciences Department.

6. LVN's ONLY - If you are applying to bridge into the nursing program, you will need to complete steps 1 - 4 and include a printout of your current LVN license. You will also need to keep it current while you are on the waitlist and once you get accepted into the program.

7. **TRANSFER STUDENTS ONLY** - If you are trying to transfer into the nursing program, to receive credit for nursing courses taken at another institution, you will need to submit a "Request for Equivalency/Substitution" form and copies of the course descriptions, course outlines, and/or syllabi for evaluation of content as necessary. You will also need a letter from the director of the previous nursing program indicating you are in good standing and eligible to return. If you cannot provide any of these items, you cannot transfer into the program and will have to apply as a generic student.

8. Once you have all documents needed, you can turn in your application to the Health and Safety Sciences Office by mail:

Antelope Valley College

ATTN: Health and Safety Sciences

3041 West Avenue K

Lancaster, CA 93536

The chart below shows the combination of grades that will **NOT** meet minimum G.P.A. requirements.

BIOL 201 (4 units)	C	B	C	C
BIOL 202 (4 units)	C	C	B	C
BIOL 204 (5 units)	B	C	C	C
Total GPA	2.38	2.31	2.31	2.0
ENGLC1000 (3 units)	B	C		
STATC1000 (4 units)	C	C		
Total GPA	2.43	2.0		

The State requires ALL STUDENTS to have a Comprehensive Education Plan. You MUST make a counseling appointment as soon as enrollment is established to receive your plan. Stop by the Counseling Center or call 661-722-6300 x 6338 to schedule an appointment.

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