

Vocational Nursing to Registered Nursing

Advanced Placement

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ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

COUNSELING CENTER ADVISING

ADN-Associate Degree (Except #)

Important: New requirements are in place for students enrolling in the program in fall of 2015 and forward.

- Minimum of 12 units must be completed at AVC (credit earned by examination will not be included in these 12 units)
- All courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C in all categories.
- Refer to catalog or online website for course listings, descriptions, and suggested course sequence if available.

LVN to RN Career Options

- Student must be a licensed vocational nurse (LVN) in California and be certified in I.V. therapy.
- Minimum age of 18, graduation from an accredited United States high school or equivalent (official sealed transcripts required), and be admitted to AVC
- A minimum grade of "C" is required in all courses
- None of the G.P.A. prerequisites for NS 101A apply towards admission of an LVN student bridging into the RN program under option A or B.
- All students are required to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®), and complete remediation if test indicates. A study manual for the TEAS® is available from Assessment Technologies Institute, LLC (www.atitesting.com) or the Marauder Bookstore.
- Students who have been unsuccessful on the TEAS® at another college must complete that college's remediation plan before taking the TEAS® at AVC.
- Students are required to have a background screening (no felonies required).

A. 30 Unit Option (non-degree #)

All college admission requirements are waived for "30 Unit Option" students

Required Courses	units
BIOL 202, General Human Physiology	4
BIOL 204, General Microbiology	5
NS 200A, Nursing Transition	3
NS 201A, Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	3
NS 202A, Medical Surgical Nursing II	5.5
NS 204A, Medical Surgical Nursing III	5.5
NS 205A, Transition to Professional Nursing	1
PSY 236, Developmental Psychology	3
Units Required for Option	30

Degreed and Non Degreed License

Students who complete all the required courses for the AS degree will qualify for the Degreed License once the Board of Nursing exams are passed. The license will allow the holder to practice as a RN in any state in the United States. Students without the AS Degree will earn a Non-Degreed License once the Board of Nursing exams are passed. There is no assurance that a Non-Degreed license will be recognized outside the State of California. The status of the license will be permanent and it will not change, even if, the student completes the other required courses for the AS degree after the initial license has been granted.

B. Advanced Placement Option

An LVN admitted to the second year of the ADN program can elect to receive credit for NS 101A, NS 102A, and NS203A for his/her LVN course work. The 15.5 units of credit will be posted on the student's transcript after successful completion of NS 201A, and 202A.

All prerequisites and General Education requirements for the regular ADN degree apply for this option.

LVN students transitioning into the RN program under option B will take:

- NS 200A, Nursing Transition

C. Entrance into the Generic ADN Program

A Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) can choose to enter the generic ADN program beginning with NS 101A. The LVN who elects this route must complete the same prerequisites, entrance requirements, courses, and follow the same enrollment and selection procedures as generic nursing students.

Prerequisites to apply to the RN program

1. Graduation from an accredited United States high school or an approved equivalent.
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. The following courses must be completed and the grades posted on official transcripts at the time of applications.

Courses	units
BIOL 201, General Human Anatomy Pre-Req: Biol 100, or 101, or 110, or 120	4
BIOL 202, General Human Physiology Pre-Reqs: Biol 201 and Chem. 101	4
BIOL 204, General Microbiology Pre-Reqs: Biol 101 and Chem 101	5
MATH 115, Statistics Pre-Req: Math 102	4
ENGL 101, 101SL Academic Composition	3
Total	20

General Education Requirements

Courses	units
PSY 236, Developmental Psychology Pre-Req: Psy 101	3
PHIL 110, Introduction to Logic	3
COMM 101, Introduction to Public Speaking	3
SOC 101, Introduction to Sociology	3
AREA C, Humanities	3
HIST 107, U.S. History 1607 - 1877 or HIST 108, U.S. History from 1865	3
AREA F, Exempted	0
Total	18

Note: Eligibility to enroll into Mathematics and English courses is established through AVC's assessment or pre-requisites for such courses.

Diagnostic Assessment (TEAS®)

Once a student has turned in an enrollment packet for the RN program and is found eligible for admission, the student will receive permission to take the Diagnostic Assessment at the Assessment Center (T100).

Diagnostic Assessment: 3 hours & 30 minutes
Content: English Usage, Reading, Mathematics, Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology.

Students who don't pass the assessment the first time must complete the recommended pre-entry courses 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.

Major Required Courses units

NS 101A, Fundamentals of Nursing Science	8
NS 102A, Maternal and Newborn Nursing	3.5
NS 103A, Medical Surgical Nursing I	5.5
NS 201A, Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	3
NS 102A, Medical Surgical Nursing II	5.5
NS 203A, Pediatric Nursing	4
NS 204A, Medical Surgical Nursing III	5.5
NS 205A, Transition to Professional Nursing	1
Units Required for Major	36

Minimum Total Units Required for the ASN Degree: 74

Proficiency Requirements

Proficiency requirements exist for the areas of Reading, Writing and Math. Students must demonstrate competency in each of these areas in order to be eligible for the associate degree.

A. READING

Eligibility for College Level Reading (AVC assessment) or completion of READ 099 with a minimum grade of "P" (Pass), or completion of an Associate Degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution of higher education.

B. WRITING

Completion of ENGL 101 or ENGL 101SL with a minimum grade of "C." NOTE: ENGL 101 may be taken with the Pass/No Pass option; however, students are cautioned that other colleges and universities may not accept ENGL 101 courses taken on a Pass/No Pass basis, especially for satisfaction of general education and major requirements. Students planning to transfer should check college catalogs for applicable policies.

C. MATHEMATICS

Completion of MATH 102 or higher or CIS 121 with a satisfactory grade or placement by AVC assessment into a math course higher than MATH 102.

*Fulfilling proficiencies will not require any extra units if the competencies are demonstrated by including the required courses in the general education, or major requirements, or by satisfying the reading proficiency through AVC's policy.

Grade Point Average Requirement

An overall grade point average of 2.0 ("C" average) is required.

Double Counting: While a course might satisfy more than one general education requirement, it may not be counted more than once for these purposes. A course may be used to satisfy both a general education requirement and a major or area of emphasis requirement.

Requirements for Two or More Associate Degrees

To be eligible for multiple associate degrees, a student must have completed all of the graduation requirements for each degree.

Transfer

Students planning to continue studies at a four-year college or university after AVC should visit the Transfer Resource Center and consult with a counselor as soon as possible to develop a plan of studies. Additional information on official transfer articulation agreements from AVC to many CSU/UC campuses can be found at the following Web site: www.assist.org

Transferability of courses to the CSU or UC systems is indicated at the end of a course description by the notation "(UC, CSU)." For the transferability of courses to all other universities, please consult with a counselor or the Transfer Resource Center.

The "Catalog Rights Policy" sets forth the criteria used for determining the degree requirements under which students may graduate. Please refer to the AVC Catalog for a detailed description or consult with a counselor.

Enrollment Procedure:

1. Please contact the Career Technical Education Division (nursing department office) at (661) 722-6300 extension 6402, (located in HS 198) to obtain an enrollment Packet, including the "Verification of Prerequisites" form.
2. Submit an Educational Plan obtained at AVC's Counseling Center. You will need one set of official transcripts from every institution, other than AVC, for the counselor's evaluation. If your prior

education comes from a foreign country, you will need to have those foreign transcripts evaluated by one of the international evaluation services that AVC recognizes before a counselor from AVC can complete an Educational Plan. Request a list of international evaluation services at the Counseling Center. (661) 722-6338. Course descriptions must be submitted.

3. Submit one set of official high school transcripts (or GED results) and college transcripts to the Career Technical Education (nursing department office) with the program enrollment form. (Transcripts/GED results must be received in sealed, unopened envelopes.) It is the student's responsibility to contact the high school and college(s) attended for official transcripts. The student should contact educational institutions early in the enrollment process. If the student has earned an Associates Degree or higher, then evidence of a high school diploma or equivalent is not necessary as long as the granted degree is posted in an official transcript as part of the application packet.
4. Submit one extra set of official transcripts from every institution attended (including AVC) with the completed enrollment packet to the Career Technical Education (nursing department office).
6. Consult with the Career Technical Education (nursing department office) in regards to the selection procedure and the appropriate time for the background screening and the physical examination.

Prerequisite Completion

If a course is listed as a prerequisite for another course, that prerequisite course must be completed with a satisfactory grade in order to enroll in the next course. According to Title 5, Section 55200(d), 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.

Antelope Valley College's website: www.avc.edu