LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE - CERTIFICATE

- All courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C in all categories.
- Maximum of 6 Pass/No Pass units accepted.
- Minimum of 12 units completed in residence at AVC with a minimum of 9 of those units completed in the certificate coursework (credit earned by examination will not be included in these 12 units)
- Refer to catalog or online website for course listings, descriptions, and suggested course sequence if available.

Minimum Requirement for Entrance into the LVN program

1. Graduation from a United States high school or completion of GED.
2. Freedom from communicable diseases
3. Request for enrollment to the Career Technical Education Division (Nursing Department) on appropriate forms.

Advisory: It is recommended that students take the Antelope Valley College assessment tests. Recommended level of performance is eligibility for:
- ENGL 099, READ 099, and MATH 070 or a minimum grade of “P” in the following courses:
- ENGL 097, READ 095, and MATH 065
If the student does not score at the recommended levels, there is a very strong possibility that the student will not successfully complete the program. The student is encouraged to take the courses to meet the eligibility advisories.

Required Courses

* BIOL 100, Elementary Human Anatomy and Physiology 3
(This course must be completed before the student can enter the second semester of the program. Students are encouraged to complete it prior to admission)
* NF 100, Nutrition 3
* PSY 101, General Psychology 3
VN 109, Fundamentals of Patient Care For Vocational Nurses 2.5
VN 110, Self-Care: Fundamentals and Pharmacology 12.5
VN 111, Nursing to Promote Self-Care Agency in the Child-Bearing Family and Pediatric Patient 5.5
VN 112, Nursing to Promote Self-Care Agency in the Adult 15.5
VN 113, Nursing Leadership to Promote Self-Care Agency in the Adult 8.5

Units Required for Certificate 53.5

* It is recommended that students take these courses prior to entering the program. Whether the student has taken or has not taken the courses will not affect the student’s admission to the program. Students who want to pursue the associate degree in registered nursing should consider completing BIOL 201 and BIOL 202.

Grade Point Average Requirement
An overall grade point average of 2.0 (“C” average) is required.

Requirements for Two or More Certificates
To earn more than one certificate, a course can be used as part of as many certificate requirements as the student wishes to obtain.

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.

Enrollment Procedure:
1. Refer to announcements on the AVC website for the next enrollment period. The next class is expected to begin in August 2016 and enrollment packets will be available beginning December 1, 2015. All items in the enrollment process are extremely important. Students who omit any part of the required information or miss the deadline will be dropped from consideration for the vocational nursing program. Submit the completed enrollment packet by mail between January 4-29, 2016.
2. Submit one set of official high school transcripts (high school must be approved by the State Department of Education or a regionally accrediting body), or an official copy of GED results, taken at an institution approved by the State Department of Education or a nationally recognized regional accrediting body, with the 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.

3. If you have transferable credits from another college or university, 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 education 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

4. Consult with the Career Technical Education Division (Nursing Department) regarding the selection procedure and the appropriate time for the physical examination, drug screening, and background check.

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.

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

Note: The next class for the LVN Program will be in the Fall of 2016. Applications will be available in December 2015.

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