SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE

VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAM
INTRODUCTION

- VN program is 3 semesters in length
- Full time program
- Approved by BVNPT
- Graduates qualified to take NCLEX-PN examination
- Concurrent theory, laboratory practice, facility experiences
PREREQUISITE COURSES

- BIOL 100 or BIO 102 Intro to Human Anatomy & Physiology (3 u) OR BIOL 430 (5 u) & BIO 431 (5 u)
  *Need minimum 3.0 GPA in sciences
- AH 110 Medical Language (3 u)
- NUTRI 300 Nutrition (3 u)
- FCS 324 Human Development (3 u)
- PSYC 300 General Principles (3 u)
  *Minimum combined GPA 2.5 for above classes

TOTAL PREREQUISITE UNITS = 15 units
ENROLLMENT ELIGIBILITY

• COMPLETION OF: BIOL 100 WITH GRADE OF B OR BETTER OR BIO 102 OR BIO 430+431 WITH 3.0 GPA

• FCS 324/PSYCH 370 (HUMAN DEVELOPMENT), NUTRI 300/FCS 340 (NUTRITION), PSYCH 300 (PRINCIPLE OF PSYCHOLOGY) & AH 110 MEDICAL LANG. FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS WITH CUM. GPA OF 2.5

• COMPLETION OF ENGRD 11 WITH A “C” OR BETTER OR ELIGIBILITY FOR ENGRD 110 OR HIGHER AS DETERMINED THROUGH THE PLACEMENT PROCESS.

• HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR PASS THE GED
Students who have taken prerequisite courses at another college in California should check the VN course equivalency chart.

Courses on the grid are approved as equivalent, comparable, or acceptable substitutes.

Any course not listed on the grid will need an approved course substitution petition to be considered an acceptable substitute.
EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

PROOF OF ONE:

• High school graduation (transcript)
• GED scores
• Prior college degree (posted on transcript)
• Foreign high school evaluation for equivalency in U.S. (NACES)
READING RESOURCES

• THE LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE PROGRAM IS VERY RIGOROUS. STUDENTS READ ON AVERAGE 150 PAGES PER WEEK OF TECHNICAL READING. EVEN IF YOU HAVE PASSED READING COMPETENCY BUT FEEL YOU COULD BENEFIT FROM IMPROVED READING SPEED AND COMPREHENSION, HERE ARE A FEW RECOMMENDED COURSES THAT CAN HELP WITH YOUR PROGRAM SUCCESS:

• ENGRD 310 (COLLEGE READING) OR ENGRD 312 (TECHNICAL READING)

• ALSO: THE FOLLOWING PLACEMENT TEST MAY BE USEFUL: HTTP://WWW.SCC.LOSRIOS.EDU/ASSESSMENT/ESL-PLACEMENT/

• ESLR 320 (NEED PLACEMENT TEST FOR THIS CLASS)

• ESLR 340 (NEED PLACEMENT TEST FOR THIS CLASS)
ATI TEAS TESTING

- MUST TAKE TEAS TEST BEFORE APPLYING; LATEST EDITION
- TESTING PROVIDES DIAGNOSTIC INFORMATION FOR INDIVIDUAL REMEDIATION WHILE IN THE PROGRAM (SCORE NOT USED FOR SELECTION PROCESS)
- HIGHLY RECOMMEND STUDYING FOR THE TEST
- ATI WEBSITE WWW.ATITESTING.COM/ONLINESTORE TO PURCHASE TEAS STUDY PACKAGE ($115);
- LTAT 92 TEAS REVIEW COURSE THROUGH SCC
- TEAS MANUAL AVAILABLE 2ND FLOOR OF SCC LIBRARY
APPLICATION PROCESS

• SCC VN PROGRAM USES ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

• MUST APPLY TO THE DISTRICT AT www.scc.losrios.edu IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A STUDENT ID #

• WITH STUDENT ID # THE STUDENT CAN ACCESS APPLICATION THROUGH ESERVICES ACCOUNT

• VN PROGRAM HAS NO WAITLISTS
MUST SUBMIT SUPPORT DOCUMENTS

• MUST SUBMIT ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AS REQUESTED ON THE APPLICATION COVER PAGE. COVER PAGE IS THE LAST PAGE PRINTED AFTER COMPLETING APPLICATION ON LINE

• ALL DOCUMENT SUBMITTED TOGETHER WITH COVER PAGE

• INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS ARE NOT PROCESSED

• WILL NOT BE NOTIFIED OF MISSING DOCUMENTS

• IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT TO MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO MISSING DOCUMENTS
TIMELINES

• ENROLLMENT PERIOD IS ONCE A YEAR FOR THE SELECTION TO FALL AND SPRING CLASSES.

• APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL TO THEIR LOS RIOS GMAIL IF SELECTED TO START THE PROGRAM.

• APPLICANTS ARE SELECTED BY COMPUTER RANDOMIZE SELECTION (LOTTERY).
PREPARATION

• High school & college prep → algebra, biology & chemistry with labs

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:
Nurse 325: Medical Dosage Calculations

• Math 34: Pre - Algebra or eligible for Math 100 - Elementary Algebra

• EngRd 310 – Prose Analysis & Interpretation

• Read, write, comprehend, speak English
TIME COMMITMENT

• FULL TIME PROGRAM
• 4 DAYS/WEEK (26 HOURS CLASS/CLINICAL AND 40 HOURS STUDYING/PREPARING)
• VARYING TIMES FOR THEORY AND CLINICAL
• STUDENTS MUST ACHIEVE 75% OR HIGHER IN EACH VN CLASS FOR PROGRESSION IN PROGRAM
VOCATIONAL NURSING COURSES

First semester:
VN 120: Meeting Adult Basic Health Needs = 12

Second semester:
VN 130: Meeting Health Needs of All Age Groups = 12

Third semester:
VN 140: Meeting Complex Adult Health Needs = 12

TOTAL VOCATIONAL NURSING UNITS = 36
FINANCIAL COSTS

- Background check, drug screen, immunization tracker = $115
- CPR with AED – Health Provider = $60
- Books, uniform, shoes, Nurse Kit ($94), supplies = $1500
- Malpractice insurance ($30), Healthstream ($14) = $44
  myClinicalExchange (36.50 per year)
- Physical exam, immunizations, PPD, flu shot = $200
- Tuition for nursing courses ($46 x 36 units) = $1656
- Graduation and licensing fees = $300

TOTAL (ESTIMATE) = $3875

(plus access to computer, Internet, printer, ink, paper)
FINANCIAL AID

• Available through Sacramento City College to students without a Bachelors degree and/or 120 units, apply early, takes months to process
• Dollar amount varies based on number of units taken per semester
• Check with Financial Aid Business Building Room 153
• Plan: achieve a degree as your educational goal
CLINICAL FACILITIES

- Sutter Roseville
- UCDMC Clinics
- Eskaton Care Centers
- Sacramento Food Bank
- Sacramento Subacute
- **Tatoos must be covered per the policy of our clinical facilities**
CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Subacute care facilities
- Skilled nursing facilities
- Outpatient clinics
- Doctor’s offices
- Corrections
- Laboratories
- Home health
CONVICTION HISTORY

• MAY NOT BE ALLOWED IN A CLINICAL FACILITY
• MAY NOT BE QUALIFIED FOR NURSING LICENSE
• BVNPT HAS THE RIGHT TO DENY ANY GRADUATE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE NCLEX-PN
• PRIOR TO GETTING INTO THE VN PROGRAM, IF CRIMINAL HISTORY IS A CONCERN, PLEASE CHECK WITH THE BVNPT WWW.BVNPT.CA.GOV