FILING PERIOD: The El Camino College Nursing Program accepts applications twice a year beginning the third Monday in September and the third Monday in February. Each application period will last for three weeks.

Who is eligible for this option?
Individual’s eligible for this program include the Licensed Vocational Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse (LVN/LPN) and transfer students from another accredited nursing program.

Prospective nursing students must complete the following steps in advance of the application filing period:

1. Complete the requirements for admission to the college.
2. Graduate from high school or earn a passing score on the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) or have earned an associate (AA) or higher degree.
3. Attend a nursing information session within one year of applying for admission to the program.
4. Possess a valid Social Security or Tax Identification Number. The state of California requires all RNs to have a valid social security or tax identification number. Applicants will be required to show proof of a valid social security or tax identification number to the nursing counselor prior to receiving a proof of eligibility for admission consideration into the nursing program.
5. PREREQUISITES: Complete the following prerequisite courses to the Nursing Program with a minimum 2.5 grade point average: Anatomy 32, Physiology 31, or Anatomy 34A/34B and Microbiology 33. All science courses must have been completed within seven years prior to the date the application is submitted. Effective Spring 2015 Anatomy 30 is no longer accepted as a prerequisite science course for admission consideration into the nursing program. NOTE: Students who entered ECC before spring 2015 and have maintained continuous enrollment (catalog rights) will be given consideration for Anatomy 30 course.
   a. For any course in which a grade of “C” or better was earned, the EARLIEST course grade will be utilized. Failure to submit transcripts with all grades posted will result in disqualification from the application process.
   b. REPEATS: No more than one repeat of any substandard grade in the basic science prerequisites (Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, or Microbiology) will be allowed within 5 years of the application filing date.
6. GPA: Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 in all college courses completed since high school.
7. MATH: Complete Intermediate Algebra (Math 73 or 80 or equivalent) or pass the Math Competency Exam. NOTE: Students who entered ECC before fall 2009 and have maintained continuous enrollment (catalog rights) will meet the math competency by completion of Elementary Algebra (Math 40 or 43 or equivalent).
8. ENGLISH 1A: Effective Spring 2015 English 1A is no longer calculated into the Prerequisites GPA requirement. This course must be completed with a “C” or better grade prior to applying for admission consideration.
9. NURSING 48: Effective summer 2010, N48 Dosage Calculations became a two unit class Nursing
Program requirement. Nursing 48 may be in progress or taken prior to applying to the Nursing Program. If this course is in progress, student must provide documentation of completion of the course to the Nursing Office by the end of the semester. If this course is in progress, student must provide documentation of completion of the course to the Nursing Office by the end of the semester.

10. TRANSCRIPTS:
   a) U.S. transcripts from all colleges attended since high school must be mailed directly to the ECC Torrance campus Admissions Office or the Compton Education Center Admission Office. No hand carried transcripts will be accepted.
   b) All transcripts from outside the United States must be evaluated by an ECC-approved foreign evaluation service.
   c) Transcripts must be received by the admission office no later than August 1 for fall applications and January 1 for spring applications.
   d) Students must confirm with the Admissions Office that transcripts have arrived prior to making a counseling appointment.

11. Transfer Credit:
   a) Credit for nursing courses completed at another college will be evaluated on an individual basis by the Director of Nursing or the Director’s designee. Credit can be achieved through the petition process.
   b) Transfer applicants from an accredited ADN nursing program must submit proof that he/she was a student in good standing and eligible to return to the institution from which the transfer is taking place.
   c) Students are required to complete the appeals process for admission consideration into the ECC nursing program
   d) The Appeals Process must be resolved BEFORE further consideration of the application is possible.
   e) Students requesting credit for courses taken at another college must submit a substitute waiver upon admission into the nursing program. Substitute waiver submitted after the start of the semester will not be honored.

12. NURSING COUNSELORS: Student interested in entering the nursing program must schedule an appointment with a nursing counselor. Counseling appointment are scheduled as follows:
   a) El Camino College (ECC) Torrance campus students may schedule counseling appointment on-line at MyECC. Appointments open up every Thursday @ 5:00 for the following week. The counselors do not make their own appointments, so please do not email them individually to make an appointment.
   b) ECC Compton Center students may schedule general counseling appointments online at MyECC. Appointments open up every Friday beginning at 5:00 p.m. until all appointments are booked. Once all appointments are booked for the following week, the appointments will then reopen again at 5:00 p.m. the next Friday. In addition, appointments may still be made in-person at the Counseling Office in the Administration Building or by telephone at 310-900-1600, Ext. 2076.

13. APPLICATIONS: Applications for admission consideration is given to potential candidates from the Nursing Department office; once the counselor has completed the student “Nursing Program Verification” form. Applications must be submitted to the campus of choice.

14. TEAS Exam: Effective fall 2014, all potential candidates seeking admission into the upward mobility track (LVN –RN students) of the Associate Degree Nursing program will be required to take and successfully pass the TEAS exam prior to entering program. Students who fail the TEAS test will be required to complete remediation. The TEAS must be passed on the first or second attempt.
will not be considered for entry into the nursing program if they have failed the TEAS a total of two or more times at any location. *Students who take the TEAS at ECC or CEC campus and complete ECC remediation must retest at ECC.

APPLICATION REVIEW
1. All complete applications will be reviewed and ranked according to the cumulative GPA.
2. Students at the top of the ranking who have not taken the TEAS will be invited to take the TEAS test. Following completion of the TEAS, students will be re-ranked according to their TEAS score.
3. Selected students will then be notified via ECC email that they have been conditionally accepted into the nursing program.
4. Upon receipt of a conditional offer, applicants should print out any attached documents and choose one of the following options: Accept the offer or decline the offer.
5. Acceptance or refusal of the conditional offer must be received in writing in the nursing office by the date specified in the email.
6. Failure to reply by the specified date will result in the removal of the applicant’s name from the applicant pool.
7. Upon receipt of the applicant’s signed acceptance letter and attendance at a mandatory orientation, the offer converts from a conditional place to a confirmed place.
8. There will be no waitlist.
9. Students who are not admitted to the program may reapply during the next application period.
10. Any applicant who accepts placement and attends the orientation but does not attend the first day of class will be dropped from the program and will not be eligible to reapply.

REQUIRED PROGRAM GPA:
Nursing students must maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.5 to continue in the nursing program.

BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING (BRN) REQUIREMENTS:
The BRN has approved a set curriculum at ECC which includes, in addition to nursing classes, Sociology, Psychology and a course in Communication and Analytical Thinking. (Please see document entitled, Sample Curriculum for Associate Degree Nursing Program. Note: these additional classes are not required for entry into the nursing program but must be completed prior to graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these classes prior to entry into the nursing program.

ECC ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE:
In addition to the Nursing Department and Board of Registered Nursing course requirements, students must meet the ECC A.S. degree general education requirements outlined in the college catalog. Please consult with nursing counselor if you have questions

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING:
Students intending to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing should consult a Nursing counselor.
CALIFORNIA STATE LICENSURE:

- All graduates of the Nursing Program are eligible to take the National Licensing Examination (NCLEX) and must pass the exam to practice in California. The California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) requires that all students applying for the NCLEX be fingerprinted and submit a fingerprint card with the licensing examination application.

- The law provides for denial of licensure for crimes or misdemeanors which are substantially related to nursing qualifications, functions or duties. If the BRN determines that the denial of licensure is valid, it is the responsibility of the applicant to present sufficient evidence of rehabilitation.

Applicants who have questions regarding limitations related to licensure should contact the California Board of Registered Nursing, (916) 322-3350 prior to entering the program.

ACCREDITATION:

El Camino College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). The Nursing Program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing.

The El Camino Community College District is committed to providing equal opportunity in which no person is subjected to discrimination on the basis of ethnic group identification, national origin, religion, age, sex, race, color, ancestry, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability or retaliation.

Curriculum for Upward Mobility and Transfer Program

The Associate Degree Nursing Program is a demanding, rigorous program that requires advanced academic preparation, personal commitment, and a considerable amount of time in study and preparation outside of class. Mandatory general orientation sessions are available each semester to assist prospective applicants so they may learn more about careers in nursing, the El Camino nursing program and its requirements, and how to formulate an educational plan to become a qualified applicant. Nursing courses must be taken in sequence.

Students intending to pursue a BSN should consult a nursing counselor for transferability of science courses and additional course requirements of the four-year institution.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Nursing 48 – Dosage Calculations (8 weeks) Hours: 3.0 hours
Lecture; 3.0 hours Lab - 2 Units

SEMESTER II

Nursing 149 – Preparation for Advanced Placement in Nursing (8 weeks) Hours: 1.5
hours Lecture; 1.5 hours Lab - 2 Units

Nursing 154 - Intermediate Nursing Process and Mental Health (8 weeks) Hours: 4.5
hours Lecture; 13.5 hours Lab - 4 Units

Nursing 155 - Health Assessment (8 weeks) Hours: 1
hour Lecture; 3.4 hours lab - 1 Unit
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Nursing 156 - Advanced Nursing Pharmacology (8 weeks) Hours: 2
Units Lecture - 1 Unit
Total units for second Semester = 8

SEMESTER III
Nursing 250 - Intermediate Nursing Process and The Family (8 weeks) Hours: 6.8
hours Lecture; 16.9 hours Lab - 5.5 Units

Nursing 251 - Legal and Ethical Considerations in Nursing (8 weeks) OPTIONAL Hours: 2
hours Lecture - 1 Unit

Nursing 253 - Intermediate Nursing Process II (8 weeks) Hours: 4.5
hours Lecture; 16.9 hours Lab - 4.5 Units
Total units for third Semester = 11

SEMESTER IV
Nursing 254 - Advanced Nursing Process I (12 weeks) Hours: 4.5
hours Lecture; 18 hours Lab - 7 Units

Nursing 255 - Advanced Nursing Process II (4 weeks) Hours:
33.75 hours Lab - 2.5 Units

Total units for fourth Semester = 9.5
Total 30.5 Units (Nursing)

Upon admission to the Nursing Program (NURS 149), the upward mobility student will be integrated within the generic program. However, the upward mobility student may receive credit by examination through the challenge process for the following nursing courses: N155, N156, N250, N251, N253, N254, and N255. Consult the Nursing Student Handbook for challenge protocol.

Nursing course syllabi for all courses are available for purchase in the college bookstore.

If a student is unsuccessful in the challenge process the student will be required to enroll in and successfully complete that course in order to progress through the program. Assignment will be made to any course that was challenged unsuccessfully based on the availability of space. Students in the challenge process who become eligible for the same course simultaneously will be chosen via random drawing if space is limited.

In addition to the Nursing Department and Board of Registered Nursing course requirements, students must meet the ECC A.S. degree general education requirements outlined in the college catalog. General Education requirements can be taken during or before applying for the Nursing Program. NOTE: Students who enrolled beginning fall 2006 through spring 2009 will need to take a course from Area 2A or 2B of the A.S. General Education requirements. Please consult with a nursing counselor if you have any questions regarding the degree requirements.
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General Education Requirements

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