



NURSING INFORMATION SESSION



El Camino College

Registered Nurse Career Facts

- Registered Nurses constitute the largest healthcare occupation – about 3 million jobs
- About 60% of RN jobs are in hospitals
- Three typical educational paths to registered nursing: **Associate** (2-4 years), Bachelor's (4-6 years) & diploma from approved nursing program administered by hospitals (3 years): graduates from all 3 paths qualify for entry level position as staff nurse
- Upon graduation you must pass the National Council Licensing Examination (NCLEX RN) in order to obtain nursing license. Fingerprinting and Criminal Record check is required, therefore, SSN or Tax ID # is required ; Board of Registered Nurses website: <http://www.rn.ca.gov>
- There are four typical areas of specialization:
 - I. Particular setting or type of treatment (peri-operative or emergency room)
 - II. Specific health conditions (diabetes, drug addiction, cancer-oncology)
 - III. Working with one or more organs/body system types (dermatology, cardiovascular)
 - IV. Work with well defined population (geriatric nurses, pediatrics)

Nursing Employment Outlook

Nursing Employment Information:

<http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-1141.00>

Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program Requirements

All courses listed below must be graded and completed in order to apply to the program for the upcoming term

- **Must have active El Camino student ID# and email (we will only be using the El Camino email)**
- **(recommended not required) Meet with Nursing Counselor to determine satisfaction of all requirements**
- **Attend a Nursing Information Session (within a year) and make sure you register and attend 85% to get credit**
- **Provide proof of HS graduation, GED or equivalent OR proof of college degree**
- **Stat C1000 (formerly math 150) or equivalent with grade of C or better**
- **Complete ENGL C1000 (formerly Engl 1A) or equivalent with grade of C or better**
- **Science Prerequisites: Microbiology 33 or equivalent AND one of the following options:
Option 1) Anatomy 32 & Physiology 31 or equivalent OR
Option 2) Anatomy & Physiology 34A & 34B (entire sequence must be taken at ECC or approved by Natural Science department)**
- **Complete Psychology 116 (Lifespan Psychology) or equivalent with a grade of C or better.
Complete Medical Terminology 1 or equivalent with a grade of C or better.**
- **Complete Nursing 143 (Introduction to Nursing) and Nursing 144 (Dosage Calculations) with C grades or better. These courses must be done at ECC or Compton College only.**
- **Student must earn a 2.5 min gpa in all cumulative course work done at ECC & outside ECC**
- **Must have a valid social security number or ITIN# prior to entry into the nursing program**

Counseling Appointments

Counseling appointments with a HCW counselor are **not required** to determine satisfaction of all requirements. Items to bring to your counseling appointment:

- Unofficial copies of all of your college/ university transcripts.
- Your student id number (complete your application to the ECC if you have not done so)
- Information you may have gathered about a school that you would like to transfer to for nursing.
- Any questions or concerns you may have about our nursing program.

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Counseling appointment procedure will be published on counseling website or call 310-660-3458

Official Transcripts

High School Transcripts: Have the high school send you a sealed official transcript and then mail it or drop it off at Admissions & Records since they will not make it available to the nursing department. You will also need to upload a copy of the official high school transcript, pdf only, with the verification process.

College Transcripts: Have your previous college send the official transcripts directly to ECC's Admissions & Records, email arforms@elcamino.edu. If you requested e-transcripts email admissionshelp@elcamino.edu to request to have them downloaded to the system. You will also need to upload a copy of unofficial college transcripts, pdf only, with the verification process, including El Camino College and Compton College.

International transcripts: All coursework from outside the US must be evaluated by an ECC approved [foreign evaluation service](#). After the courses have been evaluated have the agency mail the evaluation directly or hand carry to ECC's Admissions & Records office.

Deadlines for all college transcripts and international evaluations to be in the El Camino College Admissions & Records office: September 10 for Fall applications and February 10 for Spring applications

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Science Prerequisites

- **Microbiology 33* or equivalent AND one of the following options:**

- Option 1) Anatomy 32 & Physiology 31* or equivalent OR**

- Option 2) Anatomy & Physiology 34A** & 34B (entire sequence must be taken at ECC)**

- **Must earn 2.5 gpa or higher in 3 science prerequisites; all science courses must be a minimum of 4 semester units with lab & completed within 7 years of the application filing period; the first science course passed with C grade or higher is used for gpa calculation.**

- **Only one substandard science prerequisite course can be repeated within 7 years of the application filing period; C grades can only be repeated if they are more than 7 years old**

***Chemistry course Chem 4, 20 or 21A is required as pre-requisite to Microbiology/Physiology Anatomy & Physiology 34A** has a pre or co-requisite of Chem 4, 20 or 21A**

A passed ECC Chemistry Placement test or AP Chemistry score of 4 or higher can be used to meet Chem. requirement

Prerequisite Nursing courses

Nursing 143 (145)- Introduction to Nursing (not required for the upward mobility program.)*

Nursing 144 (48)- Dosage Calculations

***LVNs, current license, with at least one year of acute or sub-acute care experience (no skills facility) and all other requirements are eligible to apply for the upward mobility program.**

Prerequisite Nursing courses

Medical Terminology 1

***Psychology 116- Lifespan Psychology**

***Note: Not required for LVN upward mobility students. To take this course at El Camino or Compton College there is a prerequisite of Psychology C1000, general psychology**

Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program General Education

- General Education courses must include:
 - PSYC C1000 (formerly Psychology 101)
 - Soc 101 or Anthropology 2
 - ENGL C1001 (formerly English 1C (area A3 on CSU general education pattern)
 - COMM C1000 (formerly Coms 100) (120, 130 or 140 may be substituted)
 - Humanities Requirement on the AS GE requirements
 - Ethnic Studies 1 or 3 (effective fall 2025)

- General education courses are not required for admission into the Nursing program. They may be taken before applying or after admission along with Nursing courses (recommend that you take them before admission)

Part 1: Online Verification

- The application process is divided into 2-parts.
- Part 1:
- Verification timeline is from: Tuesday, September 8, 2026, and ends on Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 12:00 pm.
- Verification of Eligibility: Before you can receive the nursing application, you must first get verified that you are eligible to apply for the nursing program. Only eligible applicants can apply. You must complete and submit the nursing program verification online form by September 24, 2026 at 12:00pm.
 - You must fill out all pertinent information and upload required documentation in PDF format for the verification of eligibility to be processed.

Part 2: Online application

- Part 2:
- Nursing Program application: If it is determined that you are eligible to apply for admission consideration to the nursing program, you will receive an email with the link to complete the nursing application. All completed applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on Friday, September 25, 2026 No Exceptions!
- If any applications submitted after 11:59pm on Friday, September 25, 2026 they will not be ACCEPTED

Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program Deadlines & Procedures

The application filing period for Spring 2027 is September 8 – September 25, 2026 at 11:59pm. Fall 2027 filing period will begin 3rd Monday of spring 2027 semester.

- Admissions into the Nursing Program will be based on points earned from [Multi-criteria Admit](#) Policy (see handout); if you are not selected based on points accumulated for any given semester, you must reapply for next available semester
- About a month after the close of each application filing period, **selected students** will be invited to take the TEAS (www.atitesting.com). If taken outside ECC prior to this students need to send official scores to the nursing department at this time. TEAS remediation will only be given to students who have take the TEAS at El Camino College with the ECC nursing department.
- Students will be notified of admissions status via El Camino College e-mail ONLY via the MYECC student portal before the current application semester ends; about 40 spots available per semester for El Camino College.

Link to Nursing Application procedure:

<https://www.elcamino.edu/academics/healthsciences/nursing/application.aspx>

TEAS UPDATE

- El Camino College's nursing program will follow the policy in regards to the new ATI TEAS version:
- ATI TEAS version 7 will only be accepted starting the Fall 2023 application cycle. Remediation policy for ATI TEAS version 7 remains the same policy
- [ATI TEAS Study Manual](#)
- <https://atitesting.com/>
- [ATI TEAS Test Breakdown](#)
- [ATI TEAS FAQ](#)
- [ATI TEAS Student Card](#)
- [LASC TEAS Prep Classes](#)
- [LATTC TEAS Prep Classes](#)
- Other resources will be shared as they become available

Steps/Information needed after Admission to the ADN Program

- Upon notification of admission to program via ECC e-mail, students follow instructions and meet any deadlines outlined in the email. If deadlines, follow up documents or other required materials are not submitted admission may be rescinded.
- Students must attend orientation and attend first day of class or they will be dropped from the program and will not be eligible to reapply
- Students must maintain 2.0 gpa to continue in nursing program & only one single course in which a student has received a D or F grade may be repeated
- Nursing Student Handbook will address issues of self or faculty initiated leaves & readmission, clinical failure remediation, submission of appeal letters, etc.
- ECC is approved by the CA Board of Registered Nursing as well as ACEN accreditation.
- ECC's NCLEX passing rate is about 90% (*look for Nursing programs that have a min 80% passing rate*)

www.rn.ca.gov

Advanced Standing Programs-Option 1

Upward Mobility Requirements

- **Applicants include LVN (Licensed Vocational/Practical Nurses), Licensed Psychiatric Technicians & transfer students from accredited nursing programs**
 - **LVN students must be in possession of a current CA LVN/LPNs License (if applicable) & provide documentation that they have been employed for a minimum of one year in an acute care setting**
 - **Same requirements as ADN program except for Nursing 143 and Psych 116 (recommend taking just in case you must apply to generic route)**
 - **Transfer credit for nursing classes taken outside of ECC will be evaluated by nursing director, credit can be achieved through petition or challenge process; transfer students from accredited ADN program must provide that he/she was a student in good standing and eligible to return to institution. There is an appeals process is available to ineligible students.**
 - **All Nursing courses may be challenged but all general education courses for AS degree must be taken**
- ** Senate Bill allows students that have Bachelors degree to have met all General Ed/Graduation Requirements (including the math)**

Advanced Standing Programs-Option 2

30 unit non-degree Track

- **LVNs may establish eligibility to take state licensing exam to become RNs in CA only by completing a sequence of courses**
- **AS degree is not awarded upon completion of program & nurse will always be considered a non graduate, applicants admitted as space is available**
- **LVN students must be in possession of a current CA LVN/LPNs License (if applicable) & provide documentation that they have been employed for a minimum of one year in an acute care setting**
- **Complete Prerequisite courses to the Nursing Program and all general education courses with minimum 2.0 gpa**
- **Last resort option since it may limit job opportunities and will limit student to CA only**

Nursing Program Course Requirements

[Nursing Program course sequence](#)

Nursing Program Approximate Costs

APPROXIMATE PROGRAM COST	
36 units @ \$46 per unit	\$1656
Uniform	\$200
Shoes	\$50
Books	\$1800
ATI	\$2500 (\$625 per semester)
Stethoscope, BP Kit	\$80
Castle Branch/Background Check	\$165
Nurse Pack	\$187
Parking	\$80 (\$20 per semester)
Student Health	\$104 (\$26 per semester)
Physical Screening	\$250
CPR	\$120 (\$60 annually)
Graduation	\$50
Iota Kappa Chi	\$80 (\$20 per semester)
Estimate of school supplies	\$200
NCLEX	\$400
TOTAL	\$7922

Estimated Costs \$7922 for nursing program (Does not include any living expenses).

BSN University Programs

- Bachelor degree holders have increased opportunity for employment, higher salaries & opportunities for promotions (supervisors, teachers, etc)
- Basic programs (no ADN required) : CSULB, CSULA, CSUF, Mt St Mary's, Charles Drew University, Western University, UCLA & UCI (very competitive, average GPA for CSULA & CSULB, 3.9)
- Programs for AS degree holders: CSULB, CSULA, CSUN, CSUF & CSUDH; ADN to BSN programs, 3.4 gpa admit rate among applicants
- BSN concurrent programs: Grand Canyon University (GCU), University of Phoenix (UOP), Chamberlain University, CSUDH and Charles Drew University
- Local summer bridge programs available to apply to: CSUF, CSUDH, CSULB
- One year accelerated programs exist at CSUN & Mt St Mary's
- Refer to transfer nursing guide sheets and inquire about university nursing panel in near future

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