



# NURSING DEPARTMENT INFORMATION SESSION FALL 2023



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** (2-3 years), Bachelor's (4-5 years) & diploma from approved nursing program administered by hospitals (3 years): graduates from all 3 paths qualify for entry level position as staff nurse
- Take the National Council Licensing Examination (NCLEX RN) in order to obtain nursing license  
Fingerprinting and Criminal Record check will be 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

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Nursing Employment Information:

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

# Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program Requirements

- Meet with **Nursing Counselor** to determine satisfaction of **all** requirements **(recommended not required)**  
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)
- Provide proof of **HS graduation, GED or equivalent OR proof of college degree**
- Attend a Nursing Information Session (within a year) and make sure you register and attend 90% to get credit
- Math 150 or equivalent with grade of C or better
- Complete English 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 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.
- **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.
- 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 310-660-3458

# Official Transcripts

**High School Transcripts:** Have the high school send you a sealed official transcript and 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 with the verification process.

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

**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

# 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 101, general psychology**

# Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program General Education

- General Education courses must include:
  - Psychology 101
  - Soc 101 or Anthropology 2
  - English 1C (area A3 on CSU general education pattern)
  - Communication Studies 100 (120, 130 or 140 may be substituted)
  - Humanities Requirement on the AS GE requirements
  
- 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: Monday, September 11, 2023, and ends on Thursday, September 28, 2023 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 September 29, 2023 No Exceptions!
- Applications submitted after 11:59pm on September 29, 2023 will not be ACCEPTED\*

# 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

# Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program Deadlines & Procedures

- The application filing period Spring 2024 is September 11, 2023 – September 29, 2023 at 11:59pm.
- Admissions into the Nursing Program will be based on points earned from [new 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](http://www.atitesting.com)). If taken outside ECC prior to this students need to send official scores to the nursing department at this time.
- Students will be notified of admissions status via El Camino College e-mail ONLY via the MYECC student portal before the fall 2023 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>

# 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
- ECC's NCLEX passing rate is about 90% (*look for Nursing programs that have a min 80% passing rate*)

[www.rn.ca.gov](http://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**
- **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)**
- **We will have an LVN upward mobility application in fall 2023 for spring 2024.**

# 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**
- **We will have an LVN upward mobility application in fall 2023 for spring 2024.**

# Nursing Program Course Requirements

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[Nursing Program course sequence](#)

# Nursing Program Approximate Costs

<b>APPROXIMATE PROGRAM COST</b>	
<b>48.5 units @ \$46 per unit</b>	<b>\$2231</b>
<b>Uniform</b>	<b>\$250</b>
<b>Shoes</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>Books</b>	<b>\$1500</b>
<b>ATI</b>	<b>\$300</b>
<b>Stethoscope</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>Student Health</b>	<b>\$80</b>
<b>Parking</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Graduation</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>NCLEX</b>	<b>\$320</b>
<b>Physical Screening</b>	<b>\$300</b>
<b>CPR</b>	<b>\$110</b>
<b>Livescan</b>	<b>\$120</b>
<b>Iota Kappa Chi</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Estimate of school supplies</b>	<b>\$300</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5781</b>

Estimated Costs \$5500-\$6500 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: CSULB, CSUF, CSULA, CSUDH
- 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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