



# PROGRAMS OF **study**

## NURSING

### Associate In Science



The Associate of Science in Nursing program prepares the student to become a registered nurse.

This program is seeking full approval from the Maine State Board of Nursing (161 Capitol St, Augusta, ME 04330). This program is seeking full accreditation and has achieved Candidacy Status from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road, NE– Suite 1400 Atlanta, GA 30326 (404-975-5000).

The curriculum blends general education courses with nursing courses to provide a sound theoretical and experiential background for nursing practice. Students complete faculty-led clinical rotations at healthcare affiliates throughout the nursing component of the program. These healthcare affiliates typically require background checks to determine if students have disqualifying criminal convictions, pending criminal charges and/or certain other experience. Students who cannot satisfy such a review cannot be placed clinically and will be unable to complete the program.

Nursing majors must follow the course sequences and should note that a minimum grade of C+ (with a satisfactory clinical grade) in each nursing course is required to progress from one nursing course to another. Students must adhere to the nursing program attendance requirements or it may result in dismissal from the program. Students may be allowed to repeat one nursing course by reapplying to the program and, dependent on full faculty vote and available space within course, students may be readmitted. Completion of all Nursing courses with a grade of C+ or better is required to graduate.

An LPN may seek to apply to the program with advanced standing. In such a case, the LPN must have practiced within the past three years and completed all prerequisite courses with a final grade of "B" or higher and within the appropriate timeframe. The student would then be admitted to the program for NUR 109 Role Transition and then to the following semester of NUR 110 Nursing Across the Lifespan. Applicants must satisfy all the corequisites courses.

#### Selective Admission Requirements

To apply to the Nursing Program, students must complete the following:

- Achieve a B- or higher in the prerequisite courses:
- ENG 101 College Composition
- MAT 118 Quantitative Reasoning, or MAT 124 Statistics
- BIO 126/127 Human Anatomy & Physiology with Lab
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology
- Math and science must be taken within the past seven years (January 1, 2016 through January 31, 2023)
- TEAS overall score of 60 or above within the last three years (February 1, 2020 through February 3, 2023)
- Attendance at a mandatory information session
- High school diploma or General Equivalency Diploma (GED)

Admission to York County Community College's (YCCC) Nursing Program is based on a Selective Admission Process.

Selection is based on GPA in prerequisites, TEAS score, professional/academic references, among others. For further information contact [nursing@yccc.edu](mailto:nursing@yccc.edu). Final acceptance into the nursing program is based on results of a criminal background check.

Upon acceptance to the YCCC Nursing Program, students will have some additional requirements. Further instructions will be given upon admission to the program.

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### Criminal Background Check

Final acceptance into the York County Community College nursing program is subject to a criminal background check prior to beginning the program and then annually. Further instructions will be given upon admission to the nursing program.

### Health Requirements

Students are expected to maintain a Health Assessment File while enrolled in the nursing program. If the file isn't complete and current, the student will be dismissed from clinical and not allowed to continue until the file is complete. Incurred absences may result in failure to meet clinical course outcomes. Further instructions will be given upon admission to the nursing program. File will include:

- Health Form
- Immunization Records
- TB screening
- Professional Healthcare Provider BLS card (American Heart Association)

### General Requirements

To meet the Nursing Program Student Learning Outcomes, applicants must have the following independent abilities and skills:

1. Ability to identify cyanosis, absence of respiratory movement in patients; Ability to determine and understand small print on medication containers, physicians' orders, monitors, and equipment calibrations.
2. Ability to understand the normal speaking voice without viewing the speaker's face; hear monitor alarms, emergency signals, call bells from patients and telephone orders; take/ hear blood pressure, heart, lung, vascular, and abdominal sounds with stethoscope.
3. Ability to remain in a stationary position for prolonged periods of time, perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation, transfer, move, and reposition patients, and move from room to room or maneuver in limited spaces.
4. Ability to communicate clearly and succinctly when explaining treatment procedures, describing patient's conditions, and implementing health teaching. Notate legibly and correctly in patient's chart for local documentation.
5. Ability to use sterile techniques to insert catheter, withdraw blood, and prepare medications / administer medications (oral and parenteral routes).
6. Ability to palpate pulses, determine warmth and coolness, detect enlarged nodes and lumps.
7. Ability to function safely under stressful conditions and the ability to adapt to an ever-changing environment inherent in clinical situations involving patient care.
8. Consistent with the requirements of state and federal law, the College provides reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities. If you have a disability for which you believe you may need accommodations, including any required to perform the above-described abilities, please contact the College's Director of Disability Services at 207-216-4323 or [disabilityservices@yccc.edu](mailto:disabilityservices@yccc.edu)

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**Nursing Program Description** The sequencing of courses in this program begins in the fall semester and is based on acceptance into the Nursing degree program.

The Registered Nurse program prepares the graduate at the Associate Degree level with the skills and knowledge necessary to function in the role of the Registered Nurse. Graduates are prepared to function as the provider of care, manager of care, and member within the discipline of nursing. The graduate is prepared to provide evidenced-based, holistic, client-centered nursing care to a diverse population in a variety of settings. Students develop competency and confidence in client assessment, clinical decision-making skills, and use of advanced technology. Knowledge of teaching-learning principles are acquired and integrated into all aspects of care. Graduates will organize care, delegate appropriate aspects of care, as well as communicate, collaborate, and coordinate client care with other healthcare providers. Graduates are prepared to succeed in employment in structured healthcare settings and manage care environments while delivering care to a client/family with complex health care needs. The graduate will be eligible to apply for the National Council Licensing Examination (NCLEX-RN) for the Registered Nurse.

Guided learning experiences in the classroom, laboratory, and structured health care settings are correlated with classroom instruction.

Nursing majors must follow the course sequence and should note that a minimum grade of 77 or a C+ (with a satisfactory clinical grade) in each nursing course is required to progress from one nursing course to another. Students must adhere to the Nursing program attendance requirements or it may result in dismissal from the program. Students may be allowed to repeat one Nursing course by reapplication; readmission will be dependent upon open slots in the program. Completion of all Nursing courses with a grade of C+ or better is required to graduate. Corequisites must be completed with a C or higher.

### ***Program Learning Outcomes***

Students who successfully complete the Associate of Science in Nursing will be able to:

- Provide compassionate, evidence-based nursing care to patients, families, groups, populations, and communities from diverse backgrounds in a variety of settings; care that is age and culturally appropriate and based on a patient's preferences, values and educational needs.
- Communicate effectively and collaborate with diverse patients, families, groups, and members of the health care team to promote shared-decision making.
- Utilize information and patient care technology to manage care, support decision-making, minimize error while employing effective use of resources.
- Evaluate and integrate current evidence with clinical judgment to provide safe, quality care.
- Integrate professional behaviors and leadership skills in the provision of professional nursing care delivery.
- Use quality measures and indicators to evaluate patient outcomes and the effect of changes in the delivery of care.

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**Nursing Program Sequencing** The sequencing of courses in this program begins in the fall semester and is based on acceptance into the Nursing degree.

Curriculum Requirements: 69 Credits	Credits	Grade	Semester
<b>Prerequisites (13 credits) to be fulfilled successfully prior to the nursing program</b>			
BIO 126/127 Human Anatomy & Physiology I w/Lab	4		
ENG 101 College Composition	3		
MAT 118 Quantitative Reasoning or MAT 124 Statistics*	3		
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3		
<b>Course Sequencing once accepted into the program.</b>			
<b>First Year, Spring Semester (14 credits)</b>			
BIO 136/137 Human Anatomy & Physiology II w/Lab	4		
NUR 101 Fundamentals of Nursing	8		
NUR 105 Pharmacology of Nurses	2		
<b>First Year, Spring Semester (17 credits)</b>			
NUR 110 Nursing Across the Lifespan I	10		
BIO 230/231 Microbiology w/Lab	4		
PSY 210 Psychology Across the Lifespan	3		
<b>Second Year, Fall Semester (13 credits)</b>			
NUR 201 Nursing Across the Lifespan II	10		
HUM 201 Multicultural America or PHI 102 Ethics and Contemporary Society or	3		
<b>Second Year, Spring Semester (12 credits)</b>			
NUR 205 Nursing Across the Lifespan III	6		
NUR 210 Nursing Leadership	3		
SPE 101 Oral Communications	3		

\*MAT 124 is recommended for students who plan to transfer to a BSN program.

*Articulation agreements exist between York County Community College and various colleges and universities.  
Please, contact Career and Transfer Services for information regarding these agreements.*

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