

A.S. IN VOCATIONAL NURSING

Successful completion of the program studies allows the student to become eligible to take the State Board Examination for Licensed Vocational Nurse (NCLEX).

Learning Outcomes

A.S. Degree Level Student Learning Outcomes

Students completing the Vocational Nursing A.S. Degree will:

1. Use correct medical terminology and nomenclature, in the correct context, in order to effectively communicate health/ medical information and concepts to others.
2. Demonstrate the ability to perform accurate calculations of intake and output, drug dosages, and IV rates.
3. Develop problem-solving and self-assessment skills and make appropriate decisions regarding a variety of procedural situations.
4. Demonstrate the ability to interact with patients and work effectively as a member of the health care team.
5. Develop the ability to use and adapt to current technologies used in the healthcare setting.
6. Provide patient care that falls within the scope of practice as set forth by the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT).

Requirements

Students receiving this degree must meet the following requirements:

1. Complete the District General Education Pattern (<http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-option-i/>), CSUGE (<http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-transfer-csu-csuge-option-ii/>) or IGETC (<http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-transfer-csu-uc-igetc-option-iii/>).
If transferring to a CSU or UC students are strongly recommended to complete the CSUGE or IGETC General Education Patterns. Students looking to transfer to an out of state or private college should consult with a counselor for the appropriate GE pattern selection.
2. Complete with a "C" or better each course as specified by the major.
3. Maintain an overall GPA of a 2.0 or better in all degree applicable coursework.
4. Meet the local area requirement of Kinesiology/Dance.

Code	Title	Units
Required courses:		
VNRS 150	Fundamentals of Nursing	3
VNRS 151L	Fundamentals of Nursing Lab	3
VNRS 152	Pharmacology I	1
VNRS 153	Introductory Nutrition for the Vocational Nurse	1

Code	Title	Units
VNRS 154	Body Structure Function for the Vocational Nurse I	1.5
VNRS 155	Social Psychology for the Vocational Nurse	1
VNRS 160	Medical - Surgical Nursing I	3
VNRS 161L	Medical - Surgical Nursing I Lab	3
VNRS 162	Pharmacology II	1
VNRS 163	Diet Therapy for the Vocational Nurse	1
VNRS 164	Body Structure and Function for the Vocational Nurse II	1.5
VNRS 165	Adult Growth and Development for the Vocational Nurse	1
VNRS 170	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	7
VNRS 171L	Medical-Surgical Nursing II Lab	7
VNRS 172	Advanced Pharmacology	2
VNRS 173	Psychology for Vocational Nurses	2
VNRS 180	Pediatric Nursing	3.5
VNRS 181	Growth and Development: Infancy-Adolescence	1
VNRS 182	Obstetrical-Gynecological Nursing	4
VNRS 183	Leadership in Nursing	3
Total Units		50.5

Curriculum Map

2.5-Year Curriculum Map Example

This map represents one possible pathway through the program and is only for reference.

*It is highly recommended that you make an appointment (<https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrvcounsel/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx>) to create a customized education plan that fits your needs.

Note: Co-requisite MATH course (2 units) and/or substitute ENGL 101E (5 units) may be needed based on placement.

Course	Title	Units
Fall Term 1		
NRS 101	Nurse Assistant	5
KIN 173	Introduction to Nutrition	3
COUN 205	Pathways to Healthcare Careers	3
ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H	Reading and Composition or Reading and Composition - Honors	4
Units		15
Winter Term 1		
POLI 103 or POLI 103H	American Government and Politics or American Government and Politics - Honors	3
ART 100 or MUSE 113	Art History - Fundamentals of Global Art History or History of Rock and Roll	3
Units		6
Spring Term 1		
PSY 205	Developmental Psychology	3

Course	Title	Units
NRS 100	Introduction to Vocational Nursing	3
MATH 165 or MATH 165H	Introductory Statistics or Introductory Statistics - Honors	4
BIOL 105 or BIOL 105H	General Biology or General Biology - Honors	4
ENGL 293 or ENGL 293H	Children's Literature or Children's Literature - Honors	3
Units		17
Summer Term 1		
RNRS 200	Role Transitions: LVN to RN	3
Units		3
Fall Term 2		
VNRS 150	Fundamentals of Nursing	3
VNRS 151L	Fundamentals of Nursing Lab	3
VNRS 164	Body Structure and Function for the Vocational Nurse II	1.5
VNRS 165	Adult Growth and Development for the Vocational Nurse	1
VNRS 152	Pharmacology I	1
VNRS 153	Introductory Nutrition for the Vocational Nurse	1
VNRS 154	Body Structure Function for the Vocational Nurse I	1.5
VNRS 155	Social Psychology for the Vocational Nurse	1
VNRS 160	Medical - Surgical Nursing I	3
VNRS 161L	Medical - Surgical Nursing I Lab	3
VNRS 162	Pharmacology II	1
VNRS 163	Diet Therapy for the Vocational Nurse	1
Units		21
Winter Term 2		
SPCH 100 or SPCH 100H or SPCH 101 or SPCH 101H	Interpersonal Communication or Interpersonal Communication - Honors or Public Address or Public Address - Honors	3
Units		3
Spring Term 2		
VNRS 170	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	7
VNRS 171L	Medical-Surgical Nursing II Lab	7
VNRS 172	Advanced Pharmacology	2
VNRS 173	Psychology for Vocational Nurses	2
VNRS 183	Leadership in Nursing	3
Units		21
Fall Term 3		
VNRS 180	Pediatric Nursing	3.5
VNRS 181	Growth and Development: Infancy-Adolescence	1
VNRS 182	Obstetrical-Gynecological Nursing	4
Units		8.5
Total Units		94.5

Career Information

Career Opportunities

There are a variety of careers you can do with this major.

To explore more about this major, schedule an appointment (<https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrvc/ctcenter/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx>) with a career counselor.