# Nursing: Registered Nursing

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Degree(s)

#### Transfer:

None

#### Non-Transfer:

A.S. in Nursing 4413 AS.NURS.RN of 4413 AS.LVN2RN (with General Education Requirements Option A)

Certificate(s) None

Employment Concentration Certificate(s) None

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Associate in Science degree in Registered Nursing provides courses that are transferable to four-year colleges and universities. The program is accredited by the California State Board of Registered Nursing. Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX). The program pass rates are consistently above the state and national averages.

The Associate in Science degree in Nursing is a 78-unit degree program which requires four semesters (40 units in nursing) of study beyond completion of prerequisite courses. In addition, Mt San Jacinto College offers a LVN-RN articulation option for completion of the Associate in Science degree in Nursing or a non-degree 30-unit option.

# CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

All career opportunities listed are representative careers in each field. There are no guaranteed positions for students completing these programs. (See: www.onetonline.org)

Health care providers, especially new graduate nurses, are positioned in this nation to have excellent employment opportunities especially with the Affordable Care Act. The Inland Empire continues to build health care facilities to provide care for the increase in population.

Health care reform and changes to legislation regarding health care has a direct impact on nursing. According to the Institute of Medicine, registered nurses will be in demand with a projected number of 500,000 employment opportunities nationwide by 2016.

## TRANSFER PREPARATION

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree in this program might not be the same as those required for transfer into the major at a four-year university. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www. assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Prepare to take and pass the NCLEX State Board Examination utilizing the concept of the current NCLEX Test Plan.
- Prepare for entry level jobs in nursing practice settings utilizing
  the concept of: therapeutic written, oral, and nonverbal
  communication skills; critical thinking and the nursing process
  to direct and manage client care; drug and intravenous therapy
  for promoting a safe, effective care environment; growth and
  development and socio-cultural to view the client as a holistic
  person; and evidence-based practices and principles of education
  to promote, maintain, and restore optimum health for clients
  with acute and chronic alterations in health.
- Act as a professional Registered Nurse by utilizing professional nursing ethics and accepted standards of care to comply with the scope of practice as defined by the Board of Registered Nursing in the state of California.

## **D**EGREE

# **Non-Transfer Degree**

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Note: Meeting admission requirements for the program does not guarantee admission into the Associate Degree in Nursing Program. Please see the Multi-Criteria Selection Process form for more information about the selection process. In addition, a pre-nursing "information workshop certificate" is no longer an admission requirement.

# Mt. San Jacinto College Associate Degree in Nursing Program Multi-Criteria Selection Process

Applicants with the highest ranking based on Criteria 1-6 will receive Provisional Acceptance and notified by MSJC student email 4-6 weeks after the application period. Admission will be offered to the highest ranking applicants whose documentation supports the information provided in the application.

CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS FOR EACH CATEGORY	POINT DISTRIBUTION	
<ol> <li>Previous Academic Degrees, Diploma or Relevant Certificates</li> <li>AA/AS or BA/BS or</li> <li>Licensed Healthcare Work or</li> <li>Certified Healthcare Worker</li> </ol>	5 points	If you have multiple degrees/certificates the maximum points awarded is 5 points.  • LVN, CNA, Paramedic, EMT, Respiratory Therapist, Phlebotomist, Physical or Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapy Aide, Medical Assistant, Medical Scribe, Dental Hygienist, Surgical Tech, Psychiatric Technician, Radiology or Ultrasound Technician, Paramedic  • All Licenses/Certificates must be current to receive 5 points.	
2. Grade Point Average in Relevant Course Work	50 points	Minimum 2.5 GPA in Anatomy and Physiology, Microbiology, English Composition, and Intermediate Algebra (or higher)  **LVN-RN applicants this includes Psychology  Points for Prerequisite GPA is a maximum of 45 points  GPA= 4.0	

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	MAXIMUM		
CRITERIA	POINTS FOR EACH CATEGORY	POINT DISTRIBUTION	
3. Life Experiences or Special Circumstances of an Applicant 1. Veteran or active military status 2. Disabilities 3. Low Family Income 4. First generation of family to attend college 5. Need to work during pre-requisites 6. Disadvantage, social or educational environment 7. Difficult personal and family situations or circumstances 8. Refugee	5 points	Criteria/Application Requirement 1. Copy of DD214 form for Veteran or Military ID 2. Copy of DSPS evaluation or letter from a Physician documenting disability. 3. Document copy of eligibility of Financial Aid, Cal Works, BOGFW-B, Federal Pell Grant or EOPS. 4. Written statement from applicant. 5. Documentation from employer on company letterhead verifying dates of employment. 6. Written statement from applicant. 7. Written statement from applicant. Pertains to: single parent, deployed spouse, family caregiver, death of family member within 6 months, medical problems, or financial issues. 8. Copy of card indicating refugee status.  American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese (including various dialects), Farsi, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Languages of Indian Subcontinent & Southeast Asia  • Proficiency in a Language other than English must be met by official transcripts from a U.S. regionally accredited college or university verifying two semesters of the same foreign language OR is the identified language spoken at home (Verification must be provided upon request)	
4. Proficiency or Advanced Level Coursework in a Language other than English	2 points		
5. Documented relevant work or volunteer experience in Health care within the last 3 years.	3 points	Points are awarded for work experience or volunteer experience.  • Minimum of 100 hours for volunteer experience.	
6. Approved Diagnostic Assessment Tool, Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)	35 points	Points for ATI TEAS is a maximum of 35 points  Score 90- 100%= 35 points  Score 89- 82%= 30 points  Score 81- 74%= 25 points  Score 73- 62%= 20 points  • Students are required to submit official ATI TEAS results with their application.  • The points assigned are dependent upon the test cut-off score of 62% or higher on the ATI TEAS.  • Only the first passing score on the ATI TEAS will be accepted.  • Please Note: The ATI TEAS Test can only be taken twice in order to achieve a passing score.	

# Instructional Programs

#### A.S. in Nursing (75-78 units)

Minimum cumulative college level GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale with a grade of "C" or better in the following courses:

Human Anatomy & Physiology I (A) 4-5 (range)

#### **Admission Requirements:**

High School graduate (or equivalency)

ANAT-101

ANAT-102.

ANAT-102	Human Anatomy & Physiology II (A	) 4-5 (range)
BIOL-125	Microbiology (A)	4-5 (range)
or		
BIOL-125H	Honors Microbiology (A)	4-5 (range)
ENGL-101	College Composition (D1)	4 units
or		
ENGL-101H	Honors College Composition (D1)	4 units
MATH-096	Intermediate Algebra (G)	5 units
There is a five	year recency requirement for ANAT-10	1 and

#### Semester One: 12 units

NURS-071	Foundations of Nursing Skills Lab	0.5 unit
NURS-194	Pharmacology & Dosage Calculations	
	for Nurses	3.5 units
NURS-212	Foundations of Nursing	4 units
NURS-214	Introduction to Medical-Surgical Nursing	g I 4 units

#### Semester Two: 12.5 units

$NURS-072\ Basic\ Medical\ Surgical\ Nursing\ Skills\ Lab$	0.5 unit
NURS-222 Nursing Care of Children & Families	3.5 units
NURS-224 Beginning Medical-Surgical Nursing II	5 units
NURS-226 Nursing of Childbearing & Families	3.5 units

#### Semester Three: 10.5 units

NURS-073	Intermediate Nursing Skills Lab	0.5 unit
NURS-234	Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III	5 units
NURS-236	Mental Health Nursing	3 units
NURS-238	Gerontology and Community Nursing	2 units

#### Semester Four: 7 units

NURS-074	Advanced Nursing Skills Lab	0.5 unit
NURS-244	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing IV	4 units
NURS-248	Preceptorship (5 wks)	2.5 units

# Additional Associate Degree and Requirements:

Honors Public Speaking

(12 units)		
PSYC-101	Introduction to Psychology	3 units
or		
PSYC-101H	Honors Introduction to Psychology	3 units
PS-101	Introduction to American Government	
	and Politics	3 units
or		
PS-101H	Honors Introduction to American Govern	ment
	and Politics	3 units
COMM-100	Public Speaking	3 units
or		

COMM-103	Interpersonal Communication	3 units
or		

Humanities/Multicultural Gender Studies Any course from Area C (Humanities) or Area F (Multicultural Gender Studies)

Many courses will satisfy both requirements:

3 units

3 units

(See the MSJC General Education Breadth Pattern)

COMM-103H Interpersonal Communication

Note: Graduates from the A.S. in Nursing Program meet the requirement of Physical Education and Healthful Living.

#### LVN to RN Transition

#### [Degree/Non-Degree Candidate]

Students choosing this option are Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN's) or Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN's) who would be eligible to enter the third semester of the Associate in Science in Nursing program after completing the recommended LVN to RN Transition courses. Students can opt to meet all of the requirements for the Associate in Science in Nursing degree (degree candidate) or to satisfy the course requirements for only those courses that are required by the California State Board of Registered Nursing as content required for RN licensure (non-degree candidate). Students can apply for advanced placement if he/she has completed courses at another college. Students will be admitted once a year in the fall semester.

#### LVN to RN Transition

#### [Degree Candidate]

#### **Admission Requirements:**

Note: Meeting admission requirements for the program does not guarantee admission into the Associate Degree in Nursing Program. Please see the Multi-Criteria Selection Process form for additional information about the selection process. In addition, a "Pre-Nursing Information Workshop Certificate" no longer an admission requirement.

#### Prerequisites: (27.5-30.5 units of course work):

(For admission into the third semester of the program)

Minimum cumulative college level GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale with a grade of "C" or better in the following courses:

#### Required Prerequisites (27.5-30.5 units)

ANAT-101	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4-5 (range)
ANAT-102	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4-5 (range)
BIOL-125	Microbiology	4-5 (range)
or		
BIOL-125H	Honors Microbiology	4-5 (range)
ENGL-101	College Composition	4 units
or		
ENGL-101H	Honors College Composition	4 units
MATH-096	Intermediate Algebra	5 units
NURS-072	Basic Medical Surgical Nursing Skills	Lab0.5 unit
NURS-232	Role Transition	3 units
PSYC-101	Introduction to Psychology	3 units
or		

COMM-100H

3 units



PSYC-101H Honors Introduction to Psychology 3 units LVN, licensed in California or proof of LVN program graduate awaiting licensure.

There is a five year recency for ANAT-101 and ANAT-102.

#### 3rd Semester (10.5 units):

NURS-073	Intermediate Nursing Skills Lab	0.5 unit
NURS-234	Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III	5 units
NURS-236	Mental Health Nursing	3 units
NURS-238	Gerontology and Community Nursing	2 units

#### 4th Semester (7 units):

NURS-074	Advanced Nursing Skills Lab	0.5 unit
NURS-244	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing IV	4 units
NURS-248	Preceptorship	2.5 units

### <u>Additional Associate Degree and Requirements:</u>

#### (9 units)

Political Science 101 or 101H (B1)	3 units	
Communication 100 or 100H or 103 or 103H (D2)	3 units	
Humanities/Multicultural Gender Studies (Any course from Area C (Humanities) or Area F (Multicultural Gender Studies)		
Many courses will satisfy both requirements:	3 units	
(See the MSJC General Education Breadth Pattern)		

Note: Graduates from the A.S. in Nursing Program meet the requirement of Physical Education and Healthful Living.

#### LVN to RN

#### [30 Unit Non-Degree Option]

Students choosing this option are Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN's) or Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN's) who would be eligible to enter the third semester of the program after the LVN to RN Transition course (NURS-232). Students can opt to meet all of the requirements of the Associate Degree in Science in Nursing degree (degree candidate) or to satisfy the course requirements for only those courses that are required by the California Board of Registered Nursing as the content required for RN licensure (non-degree candidate). Students can apply for advanced placement into the LVN-RN option if

he/she has completed courses at another college. This student will be required to satisfy 30-semester units in nursing and physical sciences in order to qualify them to apply for RN licensure in California. This option is recognized only in the state of California. Students will be admitted once a year in the fall semester.

#### **Admission Requirements:**

High School graduate (or equivalent)

#### **Prerequisites:**

Minimum cumulative college level GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale with a minimum grade of "C" in the following courses:

ANAT-104	Survey of Human Anatomy and Physiology5 units	
BIOL-125	Microbiology	5 units
or		
BIOL-125H	Honors Microbiology	5 units
NURS-072	Basic Medical Surgical Nursing Skills Lab0.5 unit	
NURS-232	Role Transition	3 units

LVN, licensed in California or proof of awaiting licensure.

Note: Special Projects (299's) can be arranged for individuals who have exceeded the 7 year recency requirements for ANAT-101, ANAT-102, and BIOL-125.

# **Nursing Courses**

#### 3rd Semester:

NURS-234	Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III5 units				
NURS-236	Mental Health Nursing	3 units			
NURS-238	Gerontology and Community Nursing	2 units			
4th Semester:					
NURS-244	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing IV	4 units			
NURS-248	Preceptorship	2.5 units			

