



2011-2012 Career Planning Guide

NURSING – 6 Quarter Option

Associate in Applied Arts & Sciences Degree (A.A.A.S.)

Shoreline Community College
16101 Greenwood Avenue North
Shoreline, Washington 98133
Length of Program: 115 credits,
6 quarters
Completion Award: A.A.A.S. Degree

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Approximate Quarterly Costs	
Check quarterly class schedule for Tuition Table	
Parking Fee Per Quarter (daytime)	\$15
Additional Instructional Fees	\$38-\$75
Computer Fees/Lab Fee Per Quarter	\$37.70
Lab Fees Per Quarter (1 st Year)	\$31.45
Liability Insurance Per Quarter	\$6.25
Personal Health Insurance Required Per Quarter	\$189
Book prices vary widely; however, on average students spend \$800 1 st year and \$400 2 nd year	
<i>Separate application required to Nursing Program.</i>	
<i>Brochure and application available on website ONLY.</i>	

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Nursing Program prepares individuals to become Registered Nurses. The curriculum provides a strong foundation in natural and social sciences and an understanding of patient care in a variety of settings. Throughout the program, students integrate experience caring for patients in acute care hospitals, long-term care facilities and community agencies. Graduates receive an Associates Degree in Applied Arts and Sciences in Nursing. After graduation, individuals must take and pass the N-CLEX RN examination to be licensed by the State as a Registered Nurse. Licensed graduates are qualified for employment as entry level staff nurses in hospitals, long-term care facilities, clinics, doctors' offices and home care agencies and to coordinate patient care provided by a nursing team.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Students who successfully complete this program should be able to:

1. Act as an effective member of the discipline of nursing: a. value nursing as a profession, b. value and maintain ethical, legal, and professional standards of nursing practice, c. value caring as an approach to the nursing profession, d. value self awareness, e. value critical thinking and judgment.
2. Act as a provider of care: a. assess the client as a total person, b. analyze data to identify problems, c. plan appropriate and culturally sensitive nursing care, d. provide safe, effective therapeutic nursing care, and e. evaluate nursing care.
3. Act as a manager of care: a. lead a group of nursing personnel, b. communicate and collaborate effectively with the health care team, c. use technology and both human and material resources in a cost-effective and appropriate manner.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The employment outlook is good. Registered Nurses will continue to be in demand. The most rapid growth in the health care industry over the next decade will likely be in critical care, specialty care, home health, and long-term geriatric care.

POTENTIAL POSITIONS INCLUDE

Hospital or Nursing Home Staff Nurse, Office, Charge Nurse and Home Health Nurse. With additional training/education potential positions include Critical Care Nurse, Emergency Department Nurse or Operating Room. Obtaining advanced academic degrees can lead to positions in administration, education and advanced practice positions such as Nurse Practitioner. Entry level registered nurse salaries in Washington currently average \$24.73 per hour. For employment outlook, see the U.S. Dept. of Labor Occupational Outlook Handbook at <http://www.bls.gov/OCO/>.

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (45 credits)

- Earned grades of at least 2.0 in college level required non-nursing courses
- Compass test scores taken no more than one year prior to the first day of the application period with the following minimum test scores: Math placement above intermediate algebra (MATH 099); English Reading and Writing placement into ENGL& 101
- BIOL& 211 (required if taking biology courses at Shoreline)
- CHEM& 121* (General Chemistry) - 5 credits, completed within 10 years of application to the program
- ENGL& 101* (English Composition) - 5 credits
- BIOL& 231* (Anatomy) - 5 credits, completed within 5 years of acceptance to the program
- BIOL& 232* (Physiology) - 5 credits, completed within 5 years of application to the program
- BIOL& 260 (Microbiology) – 5 credits, completed within 5 years of acceptance to the program
- NUTR& 101 (Human Nutrition) – 5 credits
- PSYC& 200 (Lifespan Development) – 5 credits
- MATH&146 (Statistics) – 5 credits

*These courses must be completed prior to applying to the Nursing Program.

A separate competitive admission process is required. See the nursing website (<http://www.shoreline.edu/nursing>) for a description.

First Quarter			Cr.	Gr.
NURS	121	Communication in Nursing	3	___
NURS	131	Skills Pract Lab/Communi	1	___
NURS	141	Found of Nursing Pract	3	___
NURS	151	Nurs Foundations Practic (in care setting)	4	___
NURS	161	Skills Practice Lab I	1	___
Second Quarter			Cr.	Gr.
NURS	142	NursPract & Cmn Hlth Dist	5	___
NURS	152	Cmn Hlth Disturb Practic (in care setting)	4	___
NURS	162	Skills Practice Lab II	1	___
Third Quarter			Cr.	Gr.
NURS	143	Nurs Prac/Complex Hlth Distr	6	___
NURS	153	Complex Health Disturb I (in care setting)	5	___
NURS	163	Skills Practice Lab III	1	___

Fourth Quarter			Cr.	Gr.
NURS	221	NursPrac CmplxHlth Dst II	2.5	___
NURS	231	CmplxHlth Dst II Pract (in care setting)	5	___
NURS	241	Nursg Prac&PsychSoc Dist	2.5	___
NURS	251	Psychosocial Dist Practi (in care setting)	2	___
Fifth Quarter			Cr.	Gr.
NURS	222	Nurs Prac/Childbrng Famly	3	___
NURS	232	Nurs & Chldbrng Fam Prac	4	___
NURS	242	NursPrac & Health Promo	3.5	___
NURS	252	Nurs & Health Promo Prac (in care setting)	1.5	___
Sixth Quarter			Cr.	Gr.
NURS	223	NursPrac CmplxHlth Dst III	3	___
NURS	233	Complex Hlth Disturb III P (in care setting)	4	___
NURS	243	Mngng Nurs Care/HC System	3	___
NURS	253	Managing Nursing Care Pr	2	___

Total Nursing Credits Required 70

Total Program Credits 115

COMMENTS: _____

This program is Associate in Applied Science-Technology (AAS-T) degree eligible. The AAS-T degree indicator, which will appear on your transcript, will enable students to transfer this degree directly to **some** four-year institutions. Please check with your program advisor for more specific information.