

ADDENDUM November 04, 2016

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DEGREE (11/14)

A.S. - Nursing, Registered (12500.AS)

The Registered Nursing Program at Merced College prepares students to take the National Council Licensure examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN), leading to licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN) and is designed to prepare competent nurses for service in the community. The Registered Nursing Program requires two academic years beyond the completion of the prerequisite courses and non-nursing breadth requirements. Graduates will earn the Associate in Science Degree upon completion of designated courses and competency requirements.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- A. Provide quality, safe, patient-center nursing care through evidence-based practice.
- B. Participate in collaborative relationships with members of the interdisciplinary team to provide and improve patient care.
- C. Engage in critical thinking skills and strategies and clinical reasoning necessary to provide quality patient care.
- D. Provide leadership in a variety of healthcare settings for diverse patient populations.
- E. Use information technology to communicate, manage knowledge, mitigate error, and support decision-making.
- F. Function as a competent nurse assimilating all professional, ethical, and legal principles.

Prerequisite courses: 20 units		Units
BIOL-16**	General Human Anatomy (meets Area B).....	4
BIOL-18**	Principles of Physiology	4
BIOL-20**	Microbiology	4
ENGL-01A	College Composition and Reading (meets Area A1).4	4
MATH-C or higher	Intermediate Algebra	4

**It is highly recommended that once enrolled in these classes, students do not drop them. Program applicants need to understand that multiple attempts to improve grades earned in these classes can negatively affect their eligibility.

General Education (non-nursing) which also fulfil A.S. Breadth requirements: 14 units

Area A2	COMM-01 or Fundamentals of Speech	3
	COMM-01H or Honors Fundamentals of Speech.....	
	COMM-04 or Small Group Discussion & Problem Solving.	
	COMM-05 Interpersonal Communication.....	
Any Area C	Humanities	3
Any Area D1	Behaviorial Science	3
	(Recommend ANTH-02)	
Any Area D2	Social Science	3
Any Area E2	Activity	2

Required courses (nursing):

First Semester

REGN-15	Foundations of Nursing	9
REGN-18	Pharmacology In Nursing Practice.....	3

Second Semester

REGN-24	Acute Medical/Surgical and Nursing of the Childbearing Family	10
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Third Semester

REGN-34	Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing and Pediatric Nursing.....	10
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Fourth Semester

REGN-44	Acute Medical/Surgical Nursing and Mental Health Nursing.....	9
Units towards the Major.....		41
Total units		75

Competencies as required by Merced College for graduation:

Writing: Met by completion of ENGL-01A within program prerequisites.
Math: Met by MATH-C or higher level math course.
Reading: Met by completion of A.S. Breadth courses with "C" grade or better.

[Completion of the Registered Nursing Program at Merced College satisfies CILC areas A through G.]