Bellevue College ADN Program

Nurses—Where They Work and What They Do

According to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, “Registered nurses (RNs) provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions, and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members. Registered nurses work in hospitals, physicians’ offices, home healthcare services, and nursing care facilities. Others work in correctional facilities or schools, or serve in the military.”

Source: https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/Print/registered-nurses.htm

Occupational Outlook for Registered Nurses

- Employment for registered nurses is projected to grow 16% by 2024
- Average pay in the Seattle area is $30.28/hour or $61,557/year as an entry-level RN*
- Registered nurses work in clinical settings, leadership, home health, education, etc.**

Sources:

* http://www.payscale.com/research/US/Job=Registered_Nurse_(RN)/Hourly_Rate/81a6063d/Entry-Level-Seattle-WA

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About the Bellevue College Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) Program

- Approved by the Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission
- Accredited by National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA)
- 94.64% NCLEX Pass Rate as of March 2018
• Students graduate with Nursing Associate of Applied Sciences-T degree (ADN is a commonly used term for all associate degree in nursing programs), which provides options to transfer to baccalaureate program after graduation (including the RN-BSN program at Bellevue College)

• Only ADN program in the region to send students to Seattle Children’s Hospital for clinical experience

• Robust simulation and lab experiences in dedicated labs

• Study abroad opportunity that meets clinical requirements

Applying to the Program

Application Dates

• Fall 2019 – Six Quarter Option
  
  − Application Period: March 1 – April 15, 2019 (application closes at 8:59 pm Pacific Time/11:59 pm Eastern Time)
Testing Period: March 1, 2018 – April 15, 2019

- Winter 2020 – Six Quarter Option
  - Application Period: August 1 – September 16, 2019 (application closes at 8:59 pm Pacific Time/11:59 pm Eastern Time)
  - Testing Period: August 1, 2018 – September 16, 2019

- Spring 2020 – Eleven Quarter Option (starts every other year on even-numbered years)
  - Application Period: September 20 – November 1, 2019 (application closes at 8:59 pm Pacific Time/11:59 pm Eastern Time)
  - Testing Period: September 1, 2018 – November 1, 2019

Enrollment

- Full-Time: 6 Quarter Option:
  - The program admits 64 students/year (32 students each in fall and winter cohorts).

- Part-Time: 11 Quarter Option:
  - The program admits 24 students every other year.

Required Documents for Your Application

Application Instructions are on the Nursing website

- TEAS Score Report
- WritePlacer Score Report
- Unofficial College Transcripts, including BC unofficial transcripts
  - Send all but Bellevue College official transcripts to the Evaluations Office
- Clinical Passport (do not include original immunization records)
• AHA BLS for Healthcare Provider card (both sides)

Admissions Criteria

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Admission Requirement: Prerequisites

• Cumulative prerequisite GPA of 3.0 (minimum of 2.0 in any course) is required

• All science courses must be taken within seven years prior to application

• Some colleges offer the science courses for 5 credits; we accept those for the Associate Degree in Nursing

• AP Scores – applicants must submit official scores directly from College Board (include unofficial copy with transcripts on NursingCAS)

Admission Requirement: Cumulative Prerequisite GPA

The following courses must be done prior to application and are included in the prerequisite and science GPA scores:

• BIOL & 241 Human Anatomy & Physiology I 5-6 cr.
• BIOL & 242 Human Anatomy & Physiology II 5-6 cr.
• BIOL & 260 Microbiology 5-6 cr.
• CHEM & 121 Introduction to Chemistry 5-6 cr.
• ENGL & 101 English Composition I 5 cr.
• MATH 130 Introduction to Statistics 5 cr.
• PSYC & 200 Lifespan Psychology 5 cr.
Other Course Requirements

The following courses must be done prior to enrollment if accepted into the program and are not included in the prerequisite and science GPA scores:

- BIOL& 160 General Biology w/Lab 5-6 cr.
- NUTR& 101 Nutrition 5 cr.
- PSYC& 100 General Psychology 5 cr.

The following courses must be done prior to graduation and can be taken during the program (good idea to take 5 credits during quarter 4 if full-time)

- CMST 280 Intercultural Communication 5 cr. OR CMST 250 Communication in a Diverse Workplace: For Healthcare Professionals 5 cr.
- 10 credits of additional Humanities or Social Science Courses from AAS-DTA list 10 cr.

Admission Requirement: Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)
Four subtests in Math, Science, English and Reading

- A minimum score of 74% is required; the average for incoming 2018-19 cohorts was 86%
- Must take the most current version of the test
- Valid TEAS test date listed online
- For more information, go to www.atitesting.com

Admission Requirement: WritePlacer
All applicants must take the WritePlacer test. No one is excluded, even if you have a PhD in English Composition.

- WRITEPLACER—requires a minimum score of 4 (the average score has been 6 for last two years)
  - Scores of 4 – 6 earn 1 point
  - Scores of 7 – 8 earn 2 points
Admissions Criteria: Pre-Admission Experience

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Most applicants earn 3-4 points in this area.

- General Work Experience —all legal work counts.
- NAC/LPN/EMT — only these three are accepted. Certification/licensure can be expired; work experience must be current. EMTs must also complete NAC program prior to enrollment.
- Military Service — must include documentation such as that for an honorable discharge.
- Volunteer Service — must be formal and current.
- Previous Degree — must send official transcript to Evaluations Office.

Admissions Requirement: Immunizations/CPR

As of March 1, 2019, we accept a [CPNW Clinical Passport](#) uploaded with your application instead of the immunization records themselves.

Complete only the list on the Submitted Once (left) side of the paper, from TB status through AHA BLS Course.

- TB test must be a two-step test or IGRA and current within one year (one-step tests not accepted)
- Hep B must include titer test results
- MMR must be two-dose vaccines, or proof of immunity by titer for each disease
- Varicella must be two-dose vaccine, or proof of immunity by titer
- Tdap vaccine, proof of immunity by titer *not accepted*
- CPR — AHA BLS/CPR for Provider Card or MTM Provider Card only
Basic Life Support Provider - AHA

- Must be from the American Heart Association
- Card may say “BLS or CPR for Provider” or “BLS or CPR for Healthcare Provider”
- Electronic "cards" may be full-size documents
- AHA Heartsaver cards NOT accepted
- Red Cross cards NOT accepted

Online Application—NursingCAS

- First apply to Bellevue College—you must have a student ID number and BC email address
• Gather the Required Documents
• Create a NursingCAS account and READ the NursingCAS Instructions

Admissions Decisions

Applications are sorted by:

1. Total Points from Admission Criteria
2. Science GPA (raw score)
3. TEAS score (raw score)

In the unlikely event of a tie, applicants may be invited for interviews with the faculty (it hasn’t happened yet).

Average Scores

Fall 2018

- Average total score: 14
- Average Prerequisite GPA: 3.6 (2 pts)
- Average Science GPA: 3.75 (5 pts)
- Average TEAS score: 85 (2 pts)
- Average WritePlacer score: 6 (1 pt)
- Average Pre-Admission Experience score: 4 pts

Winter 2019

- Average total score: 14
- Average Prerequisite GPA: 3.6 (2 pts)
- Average Science GPA: 3.86 (5 pts)
- Average TEAS score: 86 (2 pts)
- Average WritePlacer score: 6 (1 pt)
Acceptance and Enrollment

Notification

Notification of acceptance, or not, will be sent to your email address listed in NursingCAS. In that email, or correspondence soon after, you will receive next steps, including:

- How to accept your place in the program
- Mandatory orientation date, time, and location
- Clinical requirements that must be completed prior to orientation

Required Documents for Enrollment

Once you are admitted, you will need to submit the following documents to the program:

- NAC Certificate of Completion from a two-year community or technical college. If you obtained a certificate from a non-community/technical college program, you MUST obtain a WA state certificate by passing the DOH exam. State certification is also necessary to get the point on the admission criteria.
- AIDS/HIV Training Certificate (7 hours)
- Proof of selective service registration (18-25 year old male students)
- Background Check Report
**Background Check**

If you have a criminal record, contact the [Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission](http://www.doh.wa.gov) to determine the impact on your ability to obtain a nursing license in the state of Washington. If you are eligible for post-graduation licensure, you will be able to complete the required clinical hours in the program. If not, you cannot successfully complete the ADN program.

- Phone number: 360-236-4703
- Fax number: 360-236-4738
- Email address: nursing@doh.wa.gov

**For International & Permanent Resident Students**

- Some hospitals require students to submit their Social Security Number (SSN) information for clinical rotation.
- If you are an international student on an F1 visa, contact Office of International Education and Global Initiatives (OIE) to obtain the SSN information.
- If you are a green card holder, please make sure to have a permanent residency card. You may be required to show your legal status at clinical facility.
Courses, Tuition, and Fees

**Nursing Six-Quarter Course Plan**

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**Nursing 11-quarter Course Plan**
### Tuition 2018 – 19 (subject to change)

Resident (12 credits = $1,182.42 x 6 quarters) = $7,094.52

Non-Resident (12 credits = $2,971.06 x 6 quarters) = $17,826.36

### Course Fees (subject to change)

- Kaplan Assessment Tools = $100/quarter or $600 total
- Lab Maintenance = $21.50/quarter or $129/six quarters
- Malpractice/Liability Insurance = $23.50/clinical quarter or $141/six quarters
- CPNW Clinical Consortium = $33.34/clinical quarter or $200/six quarters

### College Mandatory Fees for Students

- Comprehensive Fee
- Student Transportation Fee
- Environmental Sustainability Fee
- Technology Fee

### Other Estimated Expenses

- Scrubs and Supplies: $400
- Textbooks: $1,500 – $1,800
- National Background Check: $54/first year of program (former residents of Main, Michigan, Nevada, New York, South Dakota, Vermont, and Wyoming may be charged an additional fee)
- Washington State Patrol Criminal History Report (WATCH): $17/second year and beyond
- Medical Document Manager on CastleBranch: $35

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Advising

Pre-Nursing Education Planning Questions:
Make an appointment with an Academic Advisor
  • Phone: 425-564-2212 (must have a BC student ID number)

Nursing Program Questions and Unofficial Transcript Review:
Make an appointment with ADN Program Manager
  • Email: jorja.gunderson@bellevuecollege.edu

TEAS and WritePlacer Test Schedules:
Contact BC Placement and Testing Services
  • Phone: 425-564-2243
  • Web: http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/testing/