

Career Mobility in Registered Nursing

The Career Mobility Program offers the LVN the opportunity to meet the academic requirements for the Associate Degree in registered professional nursing. The student attends a summer seminar which serves as orientation to the Solano College nursing program and also addresses issues of role transition. Once the student enters the third semester of our program, she/he is mainstreamed into the nursing student population. We encourage our LVNs to play an active part in the classroom, in the clinical area, and in the class governance structure.

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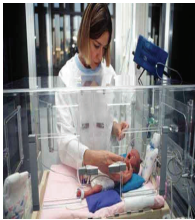
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The Career Mobility Program at Solano Community College provides an opportunity for qualified Licensed Vocational Nurses to be admitted to the third semester of the Registered Nursing Program. The program is designed to prepare technically competent Nurses for service in the community. The curriculum includes study in general education, biophysical and social science courses. Principles derived from academic study are applied to the practice of nursing. The nursing major is comprised of lecture-discussion classes on campus and client care laboratory experience in agencies within the community. Nursing preparation includes the care of adults and children in medical, surgical, psychiatric and community settings. This program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing.



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Program Information

Licensed Vocational Nurses have two career mobility options:

1. **Associate Degree Option:** Applicants must complete prerequisites for the nursing program, science courses and the general education requirements for the Associate Degree.

A. You complete a total of 49 to 52 units.

B. You are a graduate of Solano College and its AND program.

C. You are eligible for RN licensure by endorsement in other states.

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Prerequisites

To be eligible to apply to the Career Mobility Program Associate Degree option, students must have completed:

- Bio 004* Anatomy (formerly BIO 006) 5 units
 - Bio 005* Physiology 5 units
 - Bio 014* Microbiology 4 units
 - Engl 001 Composition 3 units
 - Nutr 010 Nutrition 3 units
 - HuDv 070 Lifespan Human Dev. 3 units
 - Nurs 052 Pharmacology 3 units
 - Psyc 001 General Psychology 3 units
- or
- Socs 022 Minority Group Relations 3 units

*No online courses accepted for Bio004,005 or 014

You must achieve a composite score of 73 or above to qualify for the waiting list. Composite score is determined by a combination of: (a) overall college GPA, (b) English 1 grade, (c) core Biology (Anatomy, Physiology & Microbiology) GPA, and (d) core Biology course repetitions.

Note: All courses required for graduation should be completed prior to entering the fourth semester of the Nursing Program, as the fourth semester schedule does not accommodate the scheduling of other courses.

2. **The Thirty-Unit Option:** By choosing this option:

A. You complete a total of 29-30 units.

B. You are not a graduate of an Associates Degree Program.

C. You are not a graduate of the Solano College Nursing Program and may not wear the school pin.

D. You are eligible for Licensure in California and may not be eligible for licensure in other states.

Prerequisites:

- Bio 004 Anatomy (formerly BIO 006) 5 units
- Bio 005 Physiology 5 units

APPLICATION STEPS FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE PREREQUISITES:

1. Apply for admission to Solano Community College online at www.solano.edu (if not already a current/continuing student).
- 2a. APPLY in person at the Fairfield main campus Counseling Counter in the 400 **Building**. Your California Driver's License or photo ID is required. LVNs (Licensed Vocational Nurses) must bring a current and

active California LVN license to be photocopied.

- 2b. **HAND CARRY to the Counseling Counter official * transcripts in sealed unopened envelopes from ALL colleges (except Solano), universities or educational institutions ever attended to apply to the RN program Wait List.** (Even if you did not complete any required classes, we still need the transcript.)

**International college or university transcripts are also required, but may be unofficial photo copies*

• Along with an official international evaluation service summary in a sealed unopened envelope

- *From an approved credential evaluation service** and must include: * A detailed report which distinguishes lower division from upper division courses*

** Provide A-F letter grade values.*

***A list of acceptable evaluation service companies is available from OAR.*

If you have already sent official transcripts to the Office of Admissions and Records (OAR), confirm with them that they have your transcripts on file before coming to the Counseling Counter.

Failure to list all colleges or universities, and submit all transcripts, will VOID this application.

3. **WAIT FIFTEEN (15) BUSINESS DAYS** before making your "RN Referral Appointment" to meet with a Counselor to complete your Application and Referral form. During this time, OAR will be evaluating your transcripts and calculating your overall RN Composite Score (minimum 73 as of July 1, 2007).

4. **RETURN** in person to the Counseling Counter to schedule a one-hour "RN Referral Appointment" (or phone (707) 864-7101 to ask about scheduling by phone or online). This is your responsibility.

You may receive a letter from OAR if you do not meet the minimum composite score.

Your Application will be complete only after you have met with a counselor for your Referral.

5. **KEEP your appointment.** Tell the counselor you are here for an "RN Referral Appointment" so the counselor will retrieve your RN Referral packet. During your counseling appointment, the counselor is to: review with you and post all completed pre-Major and General Education requirements, and list the remaining required and recommended courses for you to graduate from Solano Community College.

At the close of this appointment, the counselor will date stamp your packet (for wait list order) and return the packet to the Office of Admissions and Records for completion. You will then receive a *Notice of Qualification to the Nursing Program* with a Wait List number by mail six-eight weeks later.

We recommend that you attend a Registered Nursing Information Workshop.

Beginning January 2008, waitlisted students will be required to achieve a score of 67 or greater on the TEAS test prior to entry into the program.