NURSE – Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Health and Human Services

Effective Term & Year: Fall 2022
Program Outline Review Date: 2028-09-01

Program Area: Health

Description:

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Students will be admitted to the program at College of the Rockies. After completion of semester 5 at the College, students will become University of Victoria students at the College and will complete all their remaining undergraduate degree requirements through the College.

Our program is approved by the British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives (BCCNM) and is nationally accredited by the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN). Upon graduation, students will be prepared for entry level practice in diverse health care settings ranging from acute care hospitals to community-based programs. For more in-depth information about the role of the nurses in Canada's health care system, please refer to the BCCNM website and the Canadian Nurses' Association website.

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Credentials Granted:

Transfer to University of Victoria to complete Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Minimum Course Grade: A minimum grade of C

Program Average: A minimum grade point average of 4.0/10 (C+ average)

Delivery Methods: Blended (Hybrid)

Credits: 114

Instructional Activity and Hours:

Year 1:

Activity	Hours
Classroom, Directed Studies or Online Instruction	474
Seminar/Tutorials	
Laboratory/Studio	90
Practicum/Field Experience	224
Co-op/Work Experience	
Other	46
Total	834

Year 2:

Activity	Hours
Classroom, Directed Studies or Online Instruction	387
Seminar/Tutorials	
Laboratory/Studio	
Practicum/Field Experience	458
Co-op/Work Experience	
Other	78
Total	923

Year 3:

Activity	Hours
Classroom, Directed Studies or Online Instruction	306
Seminar/Tutorials	

Laboratory/Studio	
Practicum/Field Experience	439
Co-op/Work Experience	
Other	60
Total	805

Year 4:

Activity	Hours
Classroom, Directed Studies or Online Instruction	126
Seminar/Tutorials	
Laboratory/Studio	
Practicum/Field Experience	654
Co-op/Work Experience	
Other	39
Total	819

Admission Requirements:

- Complete all of the following
  - BC secondary school or equivalent academic courses must be completed within five years of application to the program.
  - Earned a minimum grade of B- (70%) in at least 1 of the following:
    - ENST 12 – English Studies 12
    - ENFP 12 – English First Peoples 12
    - ENGL090 – English – Provincial Level
  - Earned a minimum grade of B- (70%) in at least 1 of the following:
    - PREC 11 – Pre-Calculus 11
    - PREC 12 – Pre-Calculus 12
    - FOM 11 – Foundations of Mathematics 11
    - FOM 12 – Foundations of Mathematics 12
    - MATH080 – Mathematics – Advanced Level
    - MATH082 – Mathematics, Advanced Level (Developmental Mathematics)
    - MATH090 – Mathematics – Provincial Level
  - Earned a minimum grade of B- (70%) in at least 1 of the following:
    - ATPH 12 – Anatomy and Physiology 12
    - BIOL090 – Biology-Provincial Level (Human Biology) (3)
  - Earned a minimum grade of B- (70%) in at least 1 of the following:
    - CH 11 – Chemistry 11
    - CHEM080 – Chemistry – Advanced Level

Additional Admission Requirements:

- Undergraduate courses completed prior to application to the program may be deemed to satisfy the above academic admission requirement.
- All applicants to the BSN program at the College of the Rockies must complete an online assessment – Computer-Based Assessment for Sampling Personal Characteristics (CASPer) as a component of the BSN admission and selection process. Completion of CASPer is a mandatory step in consideration for admission eligibility. Refer to: takecasper.com for more information, to sign-up and to reserve a test time and date. Completion of CASPer testing and submission of results to Registration is required.

English Language Proficiency Requirements

- Applicants whose first language is not English may be required to undergo the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) An overall score of 6.5 in all bands is required to enter the program
- It is the applicant's responsibility to arrange this assessment through Student Services or an Education Advisor at the College

Non-Academic Admission Requirements:

Eligibility

- The College's Admissions Coordinator shall determine an applicant's eligibility for admission to the BSN program
- The College's BSN Admissions Committee will qualify applicants through a selective holistic admission process
- Completion of CASPer testing and submission of results to Registration
- There are generally only 4 available times to take this assessment each year

Additional Admission Requirements

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing Requisite Skills and Abilities Declaration
- Criminal Record Check (CRC) through the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
- FOIPP Voluntary Self-Disclosure

Practicum Requirements

- CPR for Health Care Providers BLS or HCP or equivalent, to be kept current for the duration of the program. Acceptable CPR courses must include a face-to-face component and may be combined with a first aid course
- BCCDC Immunizations for BC Health Care Workers
- Annual influenza immunization
- Negative TB testing results

Program Completion Requirements:

Year 1
46 Total Credits

- Complete all of the following
  Fall Semester
  - Completed the following:
    - NURS110 – Health & Healing 1: Living Health (6)
    - NURS111 – Professional Practice 1: Introduction to The Profession of Nursing (3)
    - NURS113 – Relational Practice 1: Self and Others (3)
    - NURS115 – Nursing Practice 1 (3)
    - BIOL181 – Introductory Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 (3)
    - ENGL100 – English Composition (3)

  Winter Semester
  - Completed the following:
    - NURS120 – Health & Healing 2: Health Indictors (6)
    - NURS121 – Professional Practice 2: Introduction to the Discipline of Nursing (3)
    - NURS125 – Nursing Practice 2: Coming to Know the Client (5)
    - BIOL182 – Introductory Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 (3)
    - INDG105 – Introduction to Health and Wellness in Indigenous Communities (3)

  Spring Semester
  - Completed the following:
    - NURS136 – Consolidated Practice Experience 1 (5)

Year 2
48 – 49Total Credits

- Complete all of the following
  Fall Semester
  - Completed the following:
    - NURS210 – Health and Healing 3: Health Challenges And Healing Initiatives (6)
    - NURS213 – Relational Practice 2: Creating Health and Promoting Relationships (3)
    - NURS215 – Nursing Practice 3: Promoting Health and Healing (8)
    - BIOL218 – Pathophysiology 1 (3)
  - Non-nursing elective.
  - Completed at least 1 courses from the following:
  - Humanities
  - Social Science
  - Sciences
  - Kinesiology

  Winter Semester
  - Completed the following:
    - NURS220 – Health and Healing 4: Health Challenges and Healing Initiatives (6)
    - NURS221 – Professional Practice 3 Nursing Ethics (3)

- NURS225 – Nursing Practice 4 Promoting Health and Healing (8)
- BIOL228 – Pathophysiology 2 (3)

Spring Semester

- Completed the following:
  - NURS236 – Consolidated Practice Experience 2 (5)

Year 3
20 – 21Total Credits

- Complete all of the following
  Fall Semester
  - Completed the following:
    - NURS310 – Health and Healing 5: Complex Health Challenges/Healing Initiatives (6)
    - NURS313 – Relational Practice 3: Connecting Across Difference (3)
    - NURS315 – Nursing Practice 5: Promoting Health and Healing (8)
  - Non-nursing elective.
  - Completed at least 1 courses from the following:
  - Humanities
  - Social Science
  - Sciences
  - Kinesiology

Grand Total Credits: 114 – 116

Program Completion Requirements Notes:

- Students must complete all evaluative components.
- Students must achieve a minimum average of 60% in all courses with a semester overall average of 65% to progress from one semester to the following semester.
- Nursing Practice courses will be graded COM/NCG and will not be included in a student's GPA.
- Nursing Practice courses include: NURS 115, 125, 136, 215, 225, 236, 315, 351, 370, 470, 431, 475, & 491.
- In nursing practice courses, students must demonstrate a level of "Satisfactory" on the Practice Appraisal Form and assignments to be granted COM in these courses.

Flexible Assessment: No

Program Transfer Credit:

For information about block transfer agreements between programs in British Columbia, Alberta, and elsewhere, please visit http://www.cotr.bc.ca/transfer.

To minimize transfer issues, check with an academic advisor at the institution that will receive the transfer credits.

Academic Policies:

College of the Rockies policies related to courses can be found at https://cotr.bc.ca/about-us/college-policies/ and include the following:

- Policy 2.4.3 Students with Documented Disabilities
- Policy 2.4.4 Student Conduct (plagiarism, other cheating, behavioral misconduct)
- Policy 2.4.8 Academic Performance
- Policy 2.5.3 Grade Appeal
- Policy 2.4.9 Student Concerns Re Faculty

Program Changes:

Information contained in this program outline is correct at the time of publication. Courses and course content may be revised from time to time based on changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The timetable may also be revised.

Course Descriptions: Refer to Course Outlines – https://outlines.cotr.bc.ca/course/