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Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Registered Nurse Program

The College of the Redwoods' Nursing Program is a four-semester, admission- by- application program approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN). It is offered on the Eureka campus. Upon successful completion of the Program, the College will award the candidate an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing and recommend him/her as an eligible applicant for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nursing (NCLEX-RN).

Program Curriculum Requirements

Required for Admission

- ENGL 1A Analytical Reading and Writing (or higher)
- BIO 2 Microbiology
 - Science Prerequisite: BIOL-1; Co-requisite: CHEM-1A or CHEM-2
- BIO 6 Human Anatomy
 - Science Prerequisite: Credit for or enrollment in BIOL-1
- BIO 7 Human Physiology
 - Science Prerequisite: BIOL-1; BIOL-6; and CHEM-1A or CHEM-2

***It is your responsibility to **be aware of all prerequisites for all courses**, not just the science prerequisites noted here. Please speak with an advisor for clarification regarding prerequisites for all courses.

An overall grade point average of 2.5 is required for Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, and Microbiology (BIO 2, 6 & 7). Note: Two "C"s + a "B" will NOT produce the needed 2.5 GPA. Grades of less than a C will not be accepted. In addition, you cannot have more than one repetition each for any of these courses within the last five years.

You must have an overall GPA of 2.5 for all college level courses taken at CR or any other college or university in order to be admitted to the nursing program.

A "W" grade is not considered a repetition. Title V regulations do not permit more than 3 repeats to raise a failing grade. In addition, Title V regulations do not permit courses which have been passed with a "C" or better to be repeated for GPA reasons. Finally, Title V regulations do not permit more than three "W"s for any one course.

Suggested Additional Courses to Take Prior to Beginning the Nursing Program:

It is strongly recommended that these required courses be taken prior to entering the nursing program because it can be problematic to schedule them and/or complete them successfully once nursing courses start:

- HO 15 Nutrition
- Transfer-level Math (Gen Ed Area D3) (Math 15 Statistics recommended)
- COMM 1, 6 or 7 (Area D2)
- SOC 1, 2, or ANTH 3 (Gen Ed Area B)
- PSYCH 1 OR PSYCH 2 (Gen Ed Area B)
- Humanities (Gen Ed Area C, 3 Units)

General Education Requirements can change. It is your responsibility to understand your catalog rights and what it means to lose them. It is also your responsibility to keep track of the General Education Requirements that are in place when your catalog rights take effect. Note: Catalog rights are not protected by being on the program waitlist. In addition, you are responsible for completing all academic prerequisites and co-requisites prior to each nursing class so that you can graduate on time

Suggested Program Sequence should you elect NOT to take the above courses early, prior to starting the first nursing course (NURS 21):

Semester 1	NURS 1, PSYCH 1 or PSYCH 2
Semester 2	NURS 2, HO 15
Semester 3	NURS 3, COMM 1 or COMM 6 or COMM 7, Transfer-level math. MATH 15 Statistics recommended
Semester 4	NURS 4, SOC 1 or SOC 2 or ANTH 3 (only course that also meets Area E Gen Ed requirements), Humanities (Area C)

General Information

1. Evaluation of the student nurse is based upon theoretical knowledge, nursing skill proficiency, and the application of both of these in the clinical setting. To progress through and successfully complete and/or graduate from the program, students must achieve at least a grade of “C” in all nursing courses. In addition, a cumulative 2.0 GPA must be maintained in all Nursing courses and General Education requirements to earn the Associate Degree.
2. All students are required to complete a Background Check and Livescan. If a student’s background check (criminal record) does not satisfy the requirements of any one clinical agency, or the clinical agency refuses the student access to patients for any other reason, the Program will not be able to provide alternate experiences and the student must withdraw from the Program or receive a grade of “F” for the course.
3. All students are required to have a urine drug screen completed within the assigned time frame per agency. The specific due dates for all requirements will be provided during orientation. Program withdrawal may be required for positive drug screens. When taking a medication prescribed by a healthcare provider that would appear as positive on the ten-panel drug urine test, please contact the Health Occupations Dept. prior to submitting a urine sample. Official documentation will be needed for review. All information is confidential.
4. All nursing students must possess sufficient computer literacy skills to complete Internet research, communicate by email, create and submit electronic documents, manage data storage devices, and use web-based instructional materials and applications. Those without these skills are encouraged to take CIS 1 prior to enrollment in the nursing program.
5. At the completion of the Program, students must apply for licensure through the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN). As a part of the application process, all applicants are required to report any disciplinary action against a professional license and/or any misdemeanor or felony convictions; certain convictions may result in the denial of the graduates application, which then results in an inability to obtain licensure as a registered nurse. The BRN handles each of these applications on a case-by-case basis.
6. A waitlist is maintained for those applicants who are not awarded a seat in the program. Waitlisted students are given priority the following year, according to their lottery number. The lottery places new applicants at the bottom of the waitlist. All qualified applicants are notified by email of their lottery number by April 30th.

Please Note: THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ADMITTED TO THE ADN-RN PROGRAM IS DEPENDENT ON FISCAL RESOURCES.

7. **Students must notify the Health Occupations Office of any change in mailing address, phone number and/or e-mail addresses. Changing your contact information through Web Advisor or the College does not change it with this office. The Health Occupations Office uses your contact information to communicate with you. If the Office does not have your current contact information (mailing address, telephone number and/or email address), we cannot contact you and you risk losing your seat in the program.**
8. The demands of the nursing program are many; most students find it difficult to work more than part time. Clinical scheduling, assignments, etc. cannot be altered due to an individual's outside employment. Financial Aid and Scholarships are available to help offset the need to work and the cost of attendance- contact the Financial Aid and Scholarship Offices for more information. In addition, personal life issues need to be in balance to be successful in the program. You must have reliable transportation, reliable childcare (if applicable), and an ability to be punctual to assigned classes and clinical locations. Finally, tardiness is not an acceptable performance standard in professional nursing, or this program.
9. Clinical labs are scheduled for varying day, evening, night, and/or weekend shifts. In addition, students rotate to various clinical facilities throughout the college district (including Del Norte County) and are required to provide their own transportation, childcare, etc., in order to attend clinical labs. Many students car pool; limited childcare services are available at the Child Development Center.
10. Freedom from alcohol and/or drug abuse, and emotional illness that can jeopardize the student's ability to provide safe client care is essential. Students are advised (according to California Board of Registered Nursing guidelines) to seek voluntary aid for conditions that could, if left unattended, lead to disciplinary action and/or prevent licensure to practice nursing in California.

11. **Estimated total Cost of the Program: APPROXIMATELY \$7900***

*****All costs below are approximate and subject to change. All items are mandatory unless otherwise noted.**

- a. Enrollment fee (\$46/unit for California residents): \$3,496
 - b. Required textbooks: \$1,500
 - c. ATI Materials: \$300/semester
 - d. Safe Medicate: \$100
 - e. Required uniform, shoes and equipment (see dress code in student handbook for specifics): \$200
 - f. CPR certification: approximately \$50.
 - g. Urine Drug Screen: \$60
 - h. Background checks and tracking: \$150
 - i. Top tier Livescan: \$120
 - j. Immunizations for students who do not have the required immunity to several communicable diseases may cost over \$220. Most are available through the Student Health Clinic for reduced fees or at no cost to the student.
 - k. COVID Testing may be required depending on clinical site: costs vary based on testing site and insurance coverage.
 - l. Hurst Review (optional): \$300
 - m. School pin for graduation (optional): \$60-\$130.
 - n. Licensure application: \$300.
12. ATI TEAS Exam:
- **Applicants submitting a completed application during the February application period are required to demonstrate readiness for nursing by taking and passing the ATI TEAS exam with a minimum score of 62.**
 - The TEAS transcripts must be released to CR by April 1st if applicant is not testing at College of the Redwoods. Further information regarding the ATI TEAS exam is provided to eligible applicants.
 - Students earning a score of less than 62 are provided a remediation plan and allowed one retake per year, no sooner than 90 days after the first attempt. Students achieving a passing score will

be placed in the following year's lottery. Students who do not achieve a passing score (2nd fail) are ineligible for admission and cannot reapply.

- Note: A new version of the "Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS)" commenced September 1, 2016. Previous TEAS V scores will not be accepted.

Application Procedure:

When filing an application for admission to the (ADN) Associate Degree Nursing Program, the applicant must:

1. Complete the On-Line CR Application.

To participate in the Program admission lottery, an applicant must have a College of the Redwoods' student identification number that has been or will be assigned following submission of the CR On-Line application. To enroll at College of the Redwoods and submit the form, log on to <http://www.redwoods.edu/admissions/GetStarted>. Please indicate *Nursing (NURS)* as your major.

2. Submit an ***Application for the Associate Degree Nursing Program*** to the **Health Occupations Office** during the Enrollment Period between **February 1st and February 14th**.

- Applications must be mailed to the Health Occupations Office, postmarked during the period of February 1 and February 14. **If you would like receipt verification of your mailed application, please mail it certified-return receipt requested. Please do not contact the department office to verify receipt of your application.**

Mail to:

***Health Occupations Office
College of the Redwoods
7351 Tompkins Hill Rd.
Eureka CA 95501-9300***

- **All applications must include:**
 - **High school graduation verification submitted in the form of:**
 - An **official/unopened (in a sealed envelope from the high school)** transcript or letter from the high school. Please call Health Occupations office if your high school will not mail your transcript directly to you.
 - OR**
 - An **official/unopened (in a sealed envelope)** certificate verifying earning a GED (General Education Development Examination) or passing the California High School Proficiency Exam.
 - OR**
 - An **official/unopened (in a sealed envelope)** transcript from an accredited college or university with evidence of a degree posted to the transcript (Associates level or above).

Log on to the following web sites to order official copies of your GED or High School equivalency exam transcripts:

<http://www.gedtestingservice.com/testers/gedrequest-a-transcript>

https://www.chspe.net/documents/CHSPE_Cert_Trans_Order_Form.pdf

Non US Based High School Transcripts:

- Any high school education from outside the United States must be evaluated for equivalency to a United States high school education. Approved evaluation services are found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl635.pdf>

OR

- A student may take the GED exam in lieu of the evaluation. The evaluation or the GED certificate must be included in the application to the Program. Documents must be official, and must be submitted in unopened/sealed envelope per the above stated requirements.
- **College course verification submitted in the form of: Official/unopened (in a sealed envelope from the institution) transcripts for all colleges and universities you have attended must be provided.** For instance, if you have attended four separate institutions, you must provide official transcripts from each of the four schools in your application. If separate transcripts for all schools are not provided, your application will be disqualified.
 - You do **not** need to attach copies of transcripts from College of the Redwoods.
 - **Official Transcripts must verify:**
 - **Overall College GPA of 2.5**
 - Completion of **ENGL 1A** with a grade of "C" or higher
 - Completion of **BIOL 2 - Microbiology** (with lab) grade of "C" or higher*
 - Completion of **BIOL 6 - Anatomy** (with lab) grade of "C" or higher*
 - Completion of **BIOL 7 - Human Physiology** (with lab) grade of "C" or higher*
 - You must provide course descriptions for all above mentioned courses that **were not completed at College of the Redwoods**. Failure to do so may result in the disqualification of your application.

****Certified electronic transcripts are only accepted in the rare case that your institution does not provide paper transcripts. In order to submit an electronic transcript you must contact department secretary Gihane-Hyden@Redwoods.edu for pre-approval, and include a note in your application packet including which school's transcript was submitted electronically and when it was approved.*

*****Regardless of whether you have submitted official transcripts to the Admissions and Records office, you must submit additional official transcripts (unopened and in a sealed envelope) with each application to the nursing program.**

Application Checklist:

1. Complete the online College of the Redwoods Enrollment Form at: <http://www.redwoods.edu/admissions/GetStarted>
2. Submit a **complete** program application to the Health Occupations Office at College of the Redwoods with the following attachments compiled together in a large manila envelope:
 - High school graduation verification or GED as directed above.
 - Official college transcripts for all colleges/universities attended (except College of the Redwoods) as directed above.

Incomplete applications will be disqualified. The Health Occupations Office will not review your application for completeness at the time of submission. Please ensure your application is complete prior to submission.

Selection Process

Immediately following the Enrollment Period, all qualified applicants will be scheduled for the ATI TEAS exam. Applicants who pass the TEAS exam will be randomized, assigned a wait list number and placed on the Program Wait List. The Health Occupation Office will notify students by email of their wait list number and admission status by April 30th.

Examples of reasons an application may be disqualified include but are not limited to:

- Unverified and/or invalidated entries on the application form.
- Lateness – missing the enrollment period deadline. Reapplication is required in order to be considered for the next Enrollment Period.
- Failure to submit all necessary documents with your application (i.e. official college transcripts and official high school transcripts or documentation of college degree in lieu of high school transcripts and/or failure to submit admission requirement catalog course descriptions).
- Cumulative science prerequisite course GPA below 2.5 and/or repetitions greater than allowed number.
- Overall GPA below 2.5 for all courses taken at or above collegiate level.

Qualified applicants whose lottery numbers did not qualify them for admission will be sent an email from the Health Occupations Department between September 1 and September 25 requesting verification that the applicant wants to remain on the Program Wait List for the next year. The applicant must return the form provided in the email by the date indicated to retain their place on the Program Wait List. If the applicant does not return the enclosed waitlist form by the indicated date, ***they will be removed from the waitlist***. It is the applicant's responsibility to watch their email for this letter. It is also the applicant's responsibility to contact us prior to September 30 if they do not receive the email.

Students who apply to multiple nursing programs and are selected for more than one must select and enroll in only **one** program. Students cannot remain on the Program Wait List for the second nursing program if they are enrolled in the first nursing program. For example, an LVN student cannot be maintained on the ADN Program Wait List while in the LVN Program. To become an RN, that student must apply to the LVN/Paramedic-RN Career Mobility track or ADN upon completion of the LVN Program.

Public Notice/Nondiscrimination: All classes are open to those who have met the academic prerequisites. College of the Redwoods does not discriminate on the basis of ethnicity, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, color or disability in any of its programs or activities. The College is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities. Upon request this publication will be made available in alternate formats.



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Associate in Science Degree, Registered Nursing

ADN-RN Application

Enrollment Period February 1, 2021 - February 14, 2021

Date Received:

OFFICE USE ONLY

A. Demographic Information:

Name:

First Middle Last

Former Names Used _____ Birth Date _____

Mailing Address:

Street City State Zip

CR email address: _____ Phone: _____

College of the Redwoods Student ID# _____

Previous enrollment in CR ADN-RN Program? No Yes When _____

We are asked by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office to gather the following information about our applicants and students. This information is not used for application purposes. Providing it is optional.

Gender: Male Female Transgender/Gender Non-Conforming

Ethnic Origin _____

List all that apply: Black/African American; American Indian; Alaska Native; Asian/Pacific Islander; Asian Indian; Filipino; Native Hawaiian; Hispanic/Latino; White/Non-Hispanic; Mixed/Multiple (specify).

Languages spoken in the home:

Primary Language _____ Secondary Language(s) _____

Veteran: Yes No

B. Attach/include the following with your application:

1. Official Transcripts: Please complete the following and **provide official transcripts** (unopened, sealed envelope) for all institutions which you have attended and listed below (no transcript necessary for College of the Redwoods). Applications that do not include these transcripts will be disqualified.

<i>Name of Institution</i>	<i>City/State</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>Degree Received/Date</i>

2. High School graduation verification: Attach official documentation for ONE of the following (if not, your application will be rejected):

- H.S. Graduation
 GED
 California High School Proficiency Exam
 College Degree _____
Name of College

C. Complete the following section (all applicants, including College of the Redwoods students).

*****You MUST provide catalog course descriptions for these courses if you did NOT take them at College of the Redwoods. If not, your application will be disqualified.**

Courses required for admission	College	Course Name & Number (i.e. – English 101)	Semester & Year Completed	Grade
English 1A				
Biol 2, Micro or Equiv.				
Biol 6, Anatomy or Equiv.				
Biol 7, Physio or Equiv.				

D. Affidavit:

I attest that the information provided on this application is true and accurate. I have read the entirety of the application packet and understand the policies and procedures of applying to the CR ADN program including waitlist placement procedures. I hereby acknowledge that the failure to follow enrollment procedures or omission of required documentation will result in disqualification of my CR ADN application.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date _____

For Official Use Only	
Evaluator Signature: _____	Final Evaluation Date: _____
Lottery Number: _____	Original Waitlist Number: _____