

NURSING, TRADITIONAL TRACK

Associate in Science Degree (CIP# 1351380100)

(A.S. to B.S. Career Path)

Limited-Access

This program is designed for students who are seeking employment as registered nurses.

Graduates of this program are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN), which measures the competencies needed to perform safely and effectively as a newly licensed, entry level nurse registered nurses. According to the laws governing state licensure, any candidate who has been arrested or convicted of any offense other than minor traffic violations will be required to petition the State Board of Nursing where they will take the NCLEX-RN licensure exam for permission to sit for the licensing exam. Completion of the nursing program does not ensure permission to sit for the licensing exam. Graduates of this traditional A.S. program may transfer to any Florida public college or university to complete a B.S.N (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) Program. Students wishing to transfer any credits from this program to another institution must accept responsibility for securing approval from the transfer institution.

This program has been coordinated with local healthcare agencies, the State Department of Education, and the State Board of Nursing.

The Nursing Programs at Valencia College are a limited-access program. Admission to Valencia College does not imply acceptance to the Nursing Program; students must apply and be accepted to the program. General admission procedures for this program are found in the Admissions section of this catalog. The School of Health Sciences provides information about specific admission criteria. Estimated program expenses are given in the financial section of this catalog.

Admission requirements that must be satisfied prior to submitting an application to the A.S. Degree Program in Nursing, Traditional Track are:

- Submit a completed Valencia Application for Admission; satisfy the requirements for Degree-Seeking Status and be in active student status
- Satisfy the college entry testing requirements and satisfactorily complete all mandatory courses in reading, student success, mathematics, English, and English for Academic Purposes in which you are placed
- Satisfactorily complete the general admission requirements for Health Sciences programs in the Admissions section of this catalog

Applicants must have a minimum overall college GPA of 3.0 (including transfer coursework).

Students are strongly encouraged to consult their campus based Student Success Coach for assistance in determining the best education plan for their career goals.

Complete the following prerequisites with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and a minimum grade of C:

ENC 1101	FRESHMAN COMPOSITION I (GR) ^{++~} (GR)	3
Humanities	See Gen. Ed. Core Requirements [~]	3
MGF 1130	MATHEMATICAL THINKING ^{++~} (GR)	3
or		
Mathematics	Any Gen. Ed. Core Requirement	
PSY 2012	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY ^{++~}	3
or DEP 2004	DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	
BSC 2085C	HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I ^{++~}	4
BSC 2086C	HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II ^{++~}	4
POS 2041	U.S. GOVERNMENT [~]	3
or AMH 2010	UNITED STATES HISTORY TO 1877	
or AMH 2020	U.S. HISTORY 1877 TO PRESENT	
HUN 2202	ESSENTIALS OF NUTRITION WITH DIET THERAPY ⁺⁺	3
or HUN 1201	THE SCIENCE OF NUTRITION	
MCB 2010C	MICROBIOLOGY ^{++~}	4

• Satisfy all of the entrance requirements (including a minimum score of 65 on the Test of Essential Academic Skills) for Health Sciences/Nursing programs

• Submit the completed Valencia Nursing Program application with the application fee

Start Right

Degree-seeking students enrolling at Valencia for the first time will have a limited range of courses from which to choose for their first 18 college-level credits. Within the first 18 college credit hours, you will be required to take ENC1101 (3 credits), and if applicable, SLS 1122 (3 credits) or HSC1004 (3 credits) for students pending acceptance to a health sciences program and a mathematics course appropriate to your selected meta-major (3 credits). The remaining courses will be chosen from the General Education Core Courses in humanities (3 credits), science (3 credits), or social science (3 credits), and/or the introductory courses within the A.S. degree programs. For specific courses see the *Foundation Courses* on the "Program Requirements" tab. For course sequencing recommendations, see your Student Success Coach or create an education plan by logging into MyVC, clicking on the LifeMap tab and clicking My Education Plan.

Potential Careers

- Registered Nurse

Salary & Earnings Information

For career information related to this program, please visit **O*Net OnLine** (<https://www.onetonline.org/>).

Contacts

Future Students

To learn more about this program, contact Enrollment Services at enrollment@valenciacollege.edu or 407-582-1507 or visit valenciacollege.edu/nursing/ (<https://valenciacollege.edu/nursing/>).

Current Students

Active Valencia students who are *pending program acceptance* may meet with the pending Student Success Coach in the campus Student Services

department. For Information Sessions, Admission Guides, Program Applications, and the most updated information, visit the website at: <https://valenciacollege.edu/academics/programs/health-sciences/index.php> (<https://valenciacollege.edu/academics/programs/health-sciences/>) Accepted, in-program students will meet with their assigned Student Success Coach after confirming acceptance.

Your Student Success Coach contact information can be found in MyVC. Log into MyVC, click on the Courses tab, and check your Academic Profile information to find a link to your Coach.

Full-Time Pathway Plan Program Outcomes

1. Evaluate evidenced-based nursing care to appraise client safety.
2. Interpret data from information technology to inform decision-making.
3. Interpret subjective and objective data to coordinate safe client care.
4. Employ legal and ethical standards of nursing conduct during all interactions.
5. Expand behaviors of scientific inquiry to promote client outcomes.

Traditional Track Curriculum

Prerequisite for Admission

Term 1		Credit Hours
Foundation Courses		
ENC 1101	FRESHMAN COMPOSITION I ^{++~}	3
Humanities	See Gen. Ed. Core Requirements [~]	3
PSY 2012 or DEP 2004	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY ^{+~} or DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
BSC 2085C	HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I ^{~+}	4
MGF 1130	MATHEMATICAL THINKING (or Mathematics:: See Gen. Ed. Core Requirements)	3
Credit Hours		16

Term 2		Credit Hours
Intermediate Courses		
HUN 2202 or HUN 1201	ESSENTIALS OF NUTRITION WITH DIET THERAPY ⁺⁺ or THE SCIENCE OF NUTRITION	3
MCB 2010C	MICROBIOLOGY ^{++~}	4
POS 2041 or AMH 2010 or AMH 2020	U.S. GOVERNMENT [~] or UNITED STATES HISTORY TO 1877 or U.S. HISTORY 1877 TO PRESENT	3
BSC 2086C	HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II ^{~+}	4
Credit Hours		14

Year I

Term 1		Credit Hours
Advanced Courses		
NUR 1020C	INTRODUCTION TO PROFESSIONAL NURSING AND HEALTH CARE CONCEPTS ⁺⁺	6
NUR 1061C	HEALTH AND ILLNESS CONCEPTS OF PHYSICAL AND HEALTH ASSESSMENT ⁺⁺	4
Credit Hours		10

Term 2

NUR 1141C	HEALTH AND ILLNESS CONCEPTS OF PHARMACOLOGY IN NURSING ⁺⁺	3
NUR 2221C	HEALTH AND ILLNESS CONCEPTS IN ADULT HEALTH I ⁺⁺	6
NUR 2522C	HEALTH AND ILLNESS CONCEPTS OF MENTAL HEALTH ⁺⁺	3
Credit Hours		12

Term 3

NUR 2223C	HEALTH AND ILLNESS CONCEPTS OF ADULT HEALTH II ⁺⁺	6
NUR 1470C	HEALTH AND ILLNESS CONCEPTS OF REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND PEDIATRIC NURSING ⁺⁺	5
Credit Hours		11

Term 4

NUR 2822C	PROFESSIONAL NURSING AND HEALTH CARE CONCEPTS II ⁺⁺	5
NUR 2811C	TRANSITION TO PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE ⁺⁺	4
Credit Hours		9
Total Credit Hours		72

+ This course must be completed with a grade of C or better.

* This course has a prerequisite; check description in Valencia catalog.

~ This is a general education course.

Notes:

All accepted applicants are required to submit applications through Valencia for a criminal background check and drug testing. Applicants for Valencia's Health Sciences Programs must be free of offenses that would disqualify them from a student clinical experience in a healthcare setting and must have their civil rights intact. This policy is in response to requirements by clinical agencies and state/federal regulations.

All specialized program courses are offered on the West Campus and may not be offered every session; some are offered at the Osceola Campus.

Upon earning the A.S. degree in Nursing, eligible applicants can continue at Valencia to complete the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN) (<https://catalog.valenciacollege.edu/degrees/bachelorofscience/bsn/#text>) or a bachelor-level Advanced Technical Certificate (ATC) in Echocardiography (<http://catalog.valenciacollege.edu/degrees/advancedtechnicalcertificates/echocardiography/#text>). The Nursing BSN degree is designed to expand your knowledge on integrated care, build nursing skills and prepare you for advanced positions within the medical field.

Additional education at the bachelor's level and professional experience can enhance your skills and create more career opportunities. Students who wish to continue their education should consult with their Student Success Coach to determine the best education plan for their career goals.

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