

Nursing - AAS Degree Program of Study – Revised Fall 2011

Completion Award: AAS Degree Test Fees: ASSET or COMPASS \$20.00

Length of Program: 9 quarters

Nursing 100 fee \$33.25 or \$41.25 if Nursing 101 fee online

Program Coordinator: Marca Davies

Nursing 101 fee
All other Nursing Courses (fee per quarter)

\$95.00 \$70.00

Office:: LE-7 Phone: (360) 417-6455 Approximate Additional Costs

email: mdavies@pencol.edu Books, supplies and miscellaneous fees

(Fall quarter first year)

Lab kit (Fall quarter first year)

Equipment: uniforms, stethoscope, watch, etc.

\$1200.00
\$200.00
\$300.00

Pre-Nursing Advisor:Student Development Ctr.Equipment: uniforms, stethoscope, watch, etc.\$300.00Phone:(360) 417-6340Insurance\$15.00 per year

Program Description

The Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission approves the Nursing program and the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission accredits it (NLNAC – 333 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 500 Atlanta, Georgia 30326). Students who complete the two-year associate degree program are eligible to take state board exams for registered nurses. The curriculum provides a strong foundation in applied and social sciences and an understanding of the fundamentals of patient care in a variety of settings. Throughout the program students integrate experience caring for patients in acute care hospitals, long-term care facilities, and community agencies. Successful completion of this program leads to an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Nursing.

<u>Important Note:</u> Individuals who would like to study nursing at Peninsula College must complete non-nursing academic requirements and prerequisite courses prior to entering the program or be in the final quarter of their completion. Nursing courses may be started only in the fall quarter and only after making application to, and being accepted into, the Nursing program. Application to the Nursing program can be made only during the spring quarter prior to enrolling in nursing courses. Applications are available on the Nursing Program web page at www.pc.ctc.edu and at the college admission office.

Special Features

- Students in the Nursing program have the advantage of a low faculty to student ratio.
- Peninsula College Nursing Program does not have a waiting list.
- An articulation agreement are in place between Peninsula College and the University of Washington-Bothell, the University
 of Washington-Tacoma and Olympic College to provide a seamless transition for RNs to continue coursework and earn
 the Bachelor of Science degree, Nursing.
- Qualifying Licensed Practical Nurses may be able to enter the second year of the program on a space-available basis.
 Potential candidates should contact the nursing director.
- Graduates of this program experience high placement success both locally and throughout the state of Washington.

Student Learning Outcomes

When the Nursing Program is completed the student will be able to:

- receive an AAS degree in nursing.
- obtain a registered nurse license.
- function in the role of the registered nurse.

Career Opportunities

Nursing graduates typically work in various health care settings, such as doctor's offices, clinics, hospitals, extended care facilities, and home health services. Advanced degrees may provide access to a wider range of health career opportunities. The demand for nurses should remain strong over the next decade.

Potential Positions and Earnings

Potential positions include hospital or nursing home staff nurse, clinic nurse, and home health nurse. With additional training and education, potential positions include critical care nurse, obstetrical nurse, pediatric nurse, emergency department nurse, or operating room nurse. Obtaining advanced academic degrees may lead to positions in administration, education, and advanced practice positions such as nurse practitioner. Depending on location and position, salaries can range from \$51,640 to \$76,570 per year. Median wage listed for RNs in Washington is \$34.56, which is \$69,120 annually.

Program Prerequisites

College-level skills in English and math (eligibility for courses numbered 100 or higher) are required before registering for the courses required in this program. Students may need to complete prerequisite coursework.

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Required Courses		Cr.	Suggested Student Schedule Qtr/Yr
ENGL& 101	English Composition I	5	Fall/1
NURS 100	Intro to Nursing	1	Fall/1 or Wtr/1
BIOL& 241L *	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	5	Fall/1
PSYC& 100	General Psychology	5	Wtr/1
CHEM& 121L *	Intro to Chemistry	5	Wtr/1
BIOL& 242L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	5	Wtr/1
BIOL& 260L *	Microbiology	5	Spr/1
PSYC& 200	Life Span Psychology	5	Spr/1

The courses listed below are taken after acceptance into the program

(with the exception of HED 149/ 150 and INFO 101N, which may be taken prior to beginning the program.)				
NURS 101	Nursing	10	Fall/2	
H ED 149 or	Basic Nutrition or	2 or		
H ED 150	Nutrition	5	Fall/2	
INFO 101N *	Information Access in Health Sciences	1	Fall/2	
NURS 102	Nursing II Theory	6	Wtr/2	
NURS 112	Nursing II Lab	6	Wtr/2	
PHARM 121	Clinical Pharmacology I	2	Wtr/2	
NURS 103	Nursing III Theory	7	Spr/2	
NURS 113	Nursing III Lab	5	Spr/2	
PHARM 122	Clinical Pharmacology II	1	Spr/2	
H ED 151	Clinical Nutrition	1	Spr/2	
NURS 201	Nursing IV Theory	7	Fall/3	
NURS 211	Nursing IV Lab	5	Fall/3	
PHARM 123	Clinical Pharmacology III	1	Fall/3	
NURS 202	Nursing V Theory	5	Wtr/3	
NURS 212	Nursing V Lab	7	Wtr/3	
PHARM 124	Clinical Pharmacology IV	1	Wtr/3	
NURS 203	Nursing VI Theory	4.5	Spr/3	
NURS 213	Nursing VI Lab	7.5	Spr/3	
CREDITS REQUIRED FOR AAS DEGREE:		112 - 115		

* Important notes:

- BIOL& 241L Human Anatomy and Physiology I and BIOL 260L Microbiology have a prerequisite of cell biology from either coursework or instructor testing.
- Chemistry 121L has a prerequisite of intermediate algebra skills from either coursework or instructor testing.

For additional information, please contact Student Services at (360) 417-6340.