

Course Sequencing		
Year	Quarter	Subject
First Year	Fall	CHEM& 121 (Intro to Chemistry w/ Lab) ENGL& 101, 102 or 235 (English Composition 1, English Composition 2, or Technical Writing) PSYC& 100 (General Psychology)
	Winter	CMST& 101, 210, 220 or 260 (Intro to Comm Studies, Interpersonal Communication, Public Speaking or Multicultural Communication) PSYC& 200 (Lifespan Psychology) BIOL& 160 (General Biology w/ Lab)
	Spring	MATH& 146 (Intro to Statistics) BIOL& 241 (Human A&P 1 w/ Lab)
	Summer	BIOL& 242 (Human A&P 2 w/ Lab)
Second Year	Fall	BIOL& 260 (Microbiology w/ Lab) + take TEAS exam (please see TEAS Testing Schedule)
	Winter	Take TEAS exam (please see TEAS Testing Schedule) and apply to nursing program
Third Year	Fall	NRS 101 (Basic Pharmacology Math) NRS 111 & 113 (Nursing 1 & Lab) NRS 135 (Nursing Trends Lab)
	Winter	NRS 102 (Pharmacological Classifications 1) NRS 121 & 123 (Nursing 2 & Lab) NRS 135 (Nursing Trends Lab)
	Spring	NRS 103 (Pharmacological Classifications 2) NRS 131 & 133 (Nursing 3 & Lab) NRS 135 (Nursing Lab Trends)
Fourth Year	Fall	NRS 201 (Pharmacological Classifications 3) NRS 211 & 213 (Nursing 4 & Lab) NRS 235 (Nursing Trends Lab)
	Winter	NRS 221 & 223 (Nursing 5 & Lab) NRS 222 (Professional Issues 1) NRS 235 (Nursing Trends Lab)
	Spring	NRS 231 & 233 (Nursing 6 & Lab) NRS 232 (Professional Issues 2)

BEFORE YOU START

The next opportunity to apply to the Nursing program will be in January 2024. The application process for the CBC Nursing program for Fall 2024 closes as of March 1, 2024.

***Beginning with the 2023 Nursing application process, to gain the extra 2 points for successful completion of a Pre-Nursing program at Tri-Tech Skill Center or CBC Health Sciences certificate or degree program, students must also have current certification.

The program admits one class of approximately 50 students per school year each fall. Students will apply to the Nursing program in January and February prior to the planned entry year. You are strongly encouraged to complete nursing prerequisites before applying to the program. The prerequisite courses provide points for the Admission Index Score.

The CBC Nursing program utilizes three elements for admission. Those elements include cumulative grade point average among selected prerequisite courses, (TEAS) pre-nursing assessment score and departmental course completion score index. These three elements will be combined for a total Admission Index Score based on a total point value of 30 points.

It is strongly encouraged to complete nursing prerequisites before applying to the program. These courses provide points for the Admission Index Score. Nursing support courses that may be completed prior to entry include the following:

- Chemistry, [CHEM& 121](#) or above
- Human A&P 1, [BIOL& 241](#)
- Human A&P 2, [BIOL& 242](#)
- English Composition, [ENGL& 101 or ENGL& 102 or ENGL& 235](#)
- Lifespan Psychology, [PSYC& 200](#)
- Microbiology, [BIOL& 260](#)
- Introduction to Stats, [MATH& 146](#)
- Communication Studies, [CMST& 101, 210, 220, or CMST 260](#) (5 credits)

Obtaining a 2.0 GPA is required for major courses, major support courses and general education requirements. Additionally, to be eligible for the CBC Nursing program, each of the following requirements must be met:

- Must be a current student at CBC, if not, you can [Apply for Admission](#).
- Submission of official transcripts from all schools the student has attended; please have these sent to Student Records, not the Nursing program. It is the student's responsibility to follow-up with CBC to assure that transcripts have arrived and have been evaluated.
- TEAS test on file (test fee is \$115). Please see [TEAS Testing Schedule](#).
- Submit Nursing program application via NursingCAS (fee is \$60) by the assigned due date for the following fall quarter program start.

Students are admitted using an admissions index system, which includes the GPA of four selected courses, the TEAS examination score, and course completion scores from all pre-nursing courses. All applications are reviewed at the close of winter quarter. Students with the highest admissions index score will be admitted first. Admission to the Nursing program is limited, and completion of entrance requirements does not ensure admission to the program.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The ADN program at Columbia Basin College (CBC) prepares you for a dynamic profession that encompasses compassion and caring with a scientific approach to promote optimal health for the individual, family and community. At completion of the program, you will be eligible to become a Registered Nurse (RN) through the state licensure examination.

CBC is proud of its reputation for providing a quality nursing education. Graduates from CBC's ADN program consistently achieve one of the highest pass rates of first-time, ADN-educated candidates on the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) in Washington State. Graduates from CBC's Nursing programs are highly regarded in the healthcare community and consistently find employment in local facilities.

OUT OF CLASS TO DO'S

Once accepted into the Nursing program, students will need to submit the following:

- Required immunization records
- Current American Heart Association BLS Provider CPR card
- Satisfactory criminal history background check using a college approved vendor. Criminal history background information is required of all Nursing students. Information obtained will be considered in determining student eligibility to complete clinical coursework. Inability to participate in clinical experiences due to the information obtained from the background check may result in the student's inability to satisfactorily complete program degree requirements. Any infraction while enrolled in the Nursing program should be self-reported to the coordinator/director. Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the Director for Nursing Programs at 509-544-8318.

Additional detailed application and program information can be found at the following site:

<https://www.columbiabasin.edu/learn/discover-your-path/health-sciences/nursing-adn/index.html>

CBC Nursing programs are approved by the [Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission](#), Washington State Department of Health, Nursing Commission: Town Center 2, 111 Israel Rd S.E., Tumwater, WA 98501, 360-236-4700.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There are two educational paths that can lead to a career as an RN: earning an Associate's Degree in Nursing (ADN) or earning a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing (BSN). Both degrees allow you to take the National Council Licensure Exam—Registered Nurse (NCLEX) exam and become an RN. When choosing which track to take, it's important to think ahead and determine what the educational preferences are for the type of work you want. Some employers (especially hospitals) require RNs to have a Bachelor's degree. Many working RNs with an ADN opt to go back to school later to earn their Bachelor's degree through an RN-to-BSN program.

Registered Nurses (RNs) assume a wide variety of roles in patient care both in and out of traditional hospitals. Specific job titles and duties will vary depending on where you work and the types of patients you care for. There are opportunities for RNs to limit their work to caring for specific patient populations such as:

- Pediatric nursing
- Critical care nursing
- Neonatal nursing
- Rehabilitation nursing

RNs might also work to promote public health, run health screenings or blood drives or staff the health clinics in schools. RNs could also become:

- Healthcare consultants
- Public policy advisors
- Researchers
- Hospital administrators
- Salespeople for pharmaceutical and medical supply companies
- Medical writers and editors

The next step in the career ladder for nurses is a master's degree or Doctorate in Nursing. Master's programs typically require candidates to first have an RN license, with most preferring a BSN degree as opposed to an ADN and an RN license. Career options for master's prepared nurses include:

- Nurse Practitioner
- Nurse Educator
- Nurse Midwife
- Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Nurse Anesthetist
- Director of Nursing

FAQs

Class Times/Delivery Format

The program consists of in-class instruction, labs clinical assignments, and web-enhanced instruction.

Length of Program

The program is six quarters in length.

Which Quarter Can I Begin?

The program starts every fall.

APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID OR OTHER FUNDING

Please complete:

The FAFSA application: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) provides financial aid for U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens, such as permanent residents. Visit the [FAFSA website](#) to create your FSA ID and to complete your application.

OR

The WASFA application: The Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) is for DACA or HB 1079 undocumented students. Visit the [Washington Student Achievement Council website](#) to complete your WASFA application.

Did you know??? You can apply for CBC scholarships two times every year! Click [here](#) for more information!

PLEASE NOTE: This document represents a sample plan for degree completion with this program of study. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with your Completion Coach. Completion Coaches can also help you plan other experiences to enrich your education such as internships, research, learning communities, and campus involvement and community-based learning.

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 7 am to 4:30 pm; Friday 7 am to noon

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