

ASSOCIATE DEGREE\*

# REGISTERED NURSING

## Give Your Career A Shot In The Arm.

Registered nurses provide some of the most critical health care available to patients. Whether it's taking medical histories, recording vital signs and symptoms, performing diagnostic tests, drawing blood, giving injections or other tasks, they work in conjunction with other health care professionals to serve the sick or injured. They have a significantly expanded scope of practice, education and clinical education than licensed practical nurses.

Our program at Carrington College covers topics such as anatomy and physiology, microbiology, maternal child nursing, medical-surgical nursing, pharmacology and much more. We provide that education and also help prepare graduates for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).† The program culminates in an Associate of Science Degree.

*According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of registered nurses is expected to grow 19% from 2012-2022.‡*

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## Duties May Include:

- Taking medical histories
- Recording vital signs and symptoms
- Explaining treatment procedures to patients
- Preparing patients for examination
- Helping perform diagnostic tests and analyzing results
- Operating medical machinery
- Administering treatment and medications
- Drawing blood
- Giving injections
- Helping with patient follow-up and rehabilitation

## Possible Employment Opportunities:

- Physicians offices
- Public and private hospitals
- Long-term care facilities
- Ambulatory care facilities
- Outpatient facilities
- Residential care facilities
- Nursing homes
- Schools

\* Program availability varies by location. Carrington College reserves the right to update information as it becomes available. Information is current at the time of printing. For the most updated information, visit [carrington.edu](http://carrington.edu).

† Carrington College prepares students to take appropriate certification and licensure exams related to their individual majors. The College does not guarantee students will successfully pass these exams or be certified or licensed as a result of completing the program.

‡ Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook (2014-15 Ed.)

Note: Admission to, or graduation from, the Registered Nursing program at Carrington College does not guarantee obtaining a license or certificate to practice nursing. Licensure and certification requirements are the exclusive responsibility of the State Board of Nursing.



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## Program Outcomes

*NOTE: Specific terminal course and program objectives are included in individual course syllabi.*

**Upon completion of the Registered Nursing program, graduates will be able to:**

- Demonstrate academic preparedness to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).\*
- Apply the nursing process in caring for clients in a variety of clinical settings.
- Demonstrate proficiency in oral and written communication with patients and their families as well as other health care professionals.
- Demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking and information management.

## Admission Requirements

**In addition to meeting the College's standard admission requirements, candidates must:**

- Pass the entrance exam with a minimum score of 75 on all sections (math, reading, vocabulary) of the HESI A2 or the Kaplan entrance exam at the 35th percentile at least. (A non-refundable fee of \$40 is charged for each allowable attempt.) Scores may also be used for admission ranking.
- Submit to drug screening and background checks, the results of which could affect enrollment in the program.

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## Progression Requirements

**Students must meet further requirements prior to entering the second semester of nursing instruction:**

- Possess a current American Heart Association or equivalent CPR card (Healthcare Provider Basic Life Support – adult, child, infant and choking). Cards attained through a hybrid of online and hands-on delivery may be acceptable.
- Attend the Nursing Orientation session.
- Submit to drug screening and background checks immediately prior to clinical rotations, the results of which could affect eligibility.
- Provide documentation of the following:
  - Tuberculosis clearance (PPD) and/or Quantiferon Gold.
  - Positive MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) titer or vaccination x 2
  - Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (TDAP) titer proving immunity or proof of vaccination within the previous 10 years.
  - Hepatitis B vaccination x 3 or written refusal.
  - Varicella titer proving immunity, or proof of vaccination.
  - Yearly influenza vaccination.
  - Proof of personal health insurance (if required at the clinical site).

Details are provided in the nursing manual.

### Instructional Methodologies

Each class emphasizes interactive learning and application of critical thinking skills through the use of group process, problem solving and active learning methodologies. A “flipped” classroom approach model inverts the traditional teaching methods, delivering instruction online, outside of class and moving “homework” into the classroom. This theoretical framework utilizes educational technology and active learning to influence the student learning environment in fundamental ways. The innovative, flipped classroom instructional methodology is provided in the nursing courses to engage students in application and integration of theoretical concepts and principles.

### Supportive Technologies

Carrington College uses the following technologies to support the students' learning process: SIMs and clinical laboratory equipment, virtual clinicals, computer examinations, classroom response clickers, as well as digital and online media.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS – Reno - Option B

Registered Nursing Courses		Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
ENG 113	English Composition I <sup>†</sup>	45	0	0	3
MAT 121	College Mathematics and Introduction to Algebra <sup>†</sup>	45	0	0	3
BIO 121	Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab <sup>†</sup>	45	30	0	4
CHE 110	Chemistry for Health Care Professionals <sup>†</sup>	30	0	0	2
COM 131	Introduction to Communication <sup>†</sup>	45	0	0	3
BIO 124	Human Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab <sup>†</sup>	45	30	0	4
BIO 126	Microbiology with Lab <sup>†</sup>	30	30	0	3
NUR 103	Nursing Process I – Fundamentals of Nursing	60	75	0	6.5
NUR 227	Nursing Process III – Medical-Surgical Nursing	45	0	135	6
NUR 206	Pharmacology	45	0	0	3
NUR 267	Nursing Management Concepts and Legal/Ethical Issues	45	0	0	3
GOV 141	Nevada and US Constitutions <sup>†</sup>	45	0	0	3
NUR 226	Nursing Process II – Nursing Care of Specialized Populations – Psychiatric	30	15	45	3.5
PSY 113	General Psychology <sup>†</sup>	45	0	0	3
NUR 229	Nursing Process V – Medical –Surgical Nursing III	45	15	135	6.5
NUR 228	Nursing Process IV – Nursing Care of Specialized Populations – Maternal Child Nursing	45	15	90	5.5
NUR 266	NCLEX-RN Review	0	60	0	2
NUR 231	Nursing Process VI – Medical–Surgical Nursing IV	30	0	135	5
Total for Degree		720	270	540	69

<sup>†</sup>General education course

Approximate time to complete degree program: 80 weeks