

CERTIFICATE/ASSOCIATE DEGREE*

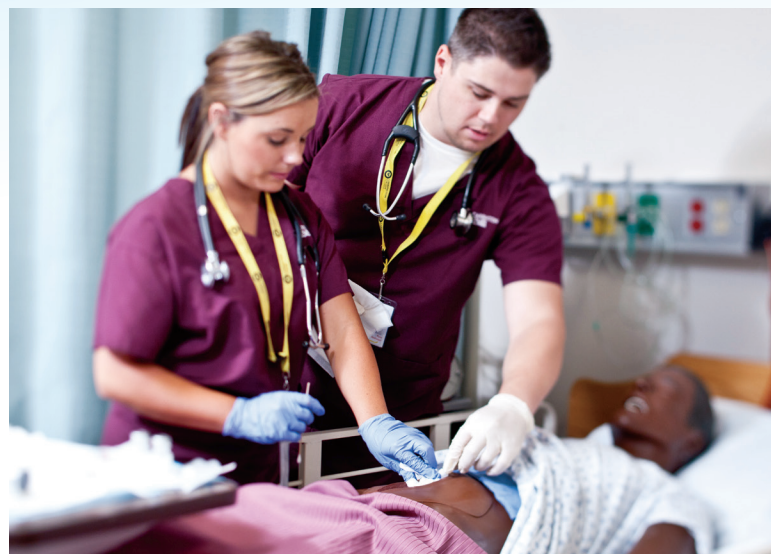
VOCATIONAL NURSING

Give Your Career a Shot in the Arm.

Vocational nurses have many responsibilities. They work in nursing homes, physicians offices and in patients' homes. Vocational nurses' responsibilities include administering medications, evaluating patients' or residents' needs, and assisting in the development of care plans. They may also have some office-related duties, or help prepare meals and assist with feeding patients.

Our Vocational Nursing program at Carrington College® prepares students for entry-level positions under the supervision of a registered nurse or a licensed physician. The program culminates in a Certificate of Achievement or an Associate of Science degree in Vocational Nursing. This program prepares students to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN):†

According to ONET OnLine, employment of LVNs/LPNs is expected to grow 22% from 2012-2022.‡



Duties May Include:

- Providing basic bedside care
- Measuring and recording patients' vital signs
- Preparing and giving injections
- Supervising the care provided by nursing assistants
- Assisting with bathing, dressing and personal hygiene
- Collecting samples for testing

Possible Employment Opportunities:

- Residential care facilities
- Nursing homes
- Doctor's offices and clinics
- Home health care

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* 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.

† 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.

‡ <http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-2061.00>

Note: Admission to or graduation from the Vocational Nursing program at Carrington College does not guarantee obtaining a license to practice nursing. Licensure requirements are the exclusive responsibility of the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians.



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Student Learning Outcomes

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

- Implement the nursing process in providing care for patients in a variety of clinical settings.
- Demonstrate academic preparedness to take the NCLEX-PN* examination for licensure as a vocational nurse.
- Demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, information management, personal and professional development, communication skills, respect and responsibility.

Note: Completion of the Vocational Nursing Associate of Science degree requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the Carrington Registered Nursing LVN to RN program.

Additional Admission Requirements

Transfer coursework must have been completed within the previous five years. In addition, candidates for admission must:

- Provide evidence of good physical and mental health as determined by a medical exam prior to enrollment.
- Provide proof of an up-to-date immunization record and negative TB skin test results or negative chest X-ray prior to the start of clinical rotations.
- Undergo a background check and pass a drug screen prior to program start.
- Pass the HESI A2 entrance exam.
- Submit two letters of recommendation from former employers or professors.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS – Pleasant Hill[†], Pomona, Sacramento, San Jose[†]

Vocational Nursing Courses		Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Practical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
VN 101	Introduction to Anatomy & Physiology	52	0	0	3
VN 102	Foundations of Nursing 1	66	50	48	5
VN 103	Foundations of Nursing 2	66	80	144	8
VN 104	Mental Health Nursing Care	35	0	0	2
VN 201	Medical Surgical Nursing 1	96	32	240	12
VN 202	Health Data Collection	50	48	0	3
VN 203	Concepts in Clinical Pharmacology	54	0	0	3
VN 301	Introduction to Maternity and Pediatric Nursing	44	48	40	5
VN 302	Medical Surgical Nursing 2	113	80	144	11
VN 303	NCLEX-PN Review (Requirement of Graduation)	30	0	0	2
Total for Certificate		606	338	616	54**
Non-science Emphasis General Education Courses					
ENG 101	English Writing and Composition	45	0	0	3
MAT 101	Principles of Mathematics	45	0	0	3
MAT 151	College Algebra	45	0	0	3
HUM 250	Introduction to Humanities	45	0	0	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	45	0	0	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	45	0	0	3
CLT 100	Computer Literacy	45	0	0	3
Non-science Emphasis General Education Courses Total		315	0	0	21
Total for Non-science Emphasis Degree		921	338	616	75
Science Emphasis [†] General Education Courses					
BIO 14	Microbiology with Lab [§]	60	30	0	4
BIO 25	Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 with Lab [§]	60	30	0	4
BIO 26	Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 with Lab [§]	60	30	0	4
CHEM 6	Inorganic Chemistry with Lab [§]	60	30	0	4
ENG 101	English Writing and Composition	45	0	0	3
MAT 101	Principles of Mathematics	45	0	0	3
MAT 151	College Algebra	45	0	0	3
MAT 201	Intermediate College Algebra	45	0	0	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	45	0	0	3
PSY 155	Human Development Across the Lifespan 1	45	0	0	3
SPH 205	Interpersonal Communication	45	0	0	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	45	0	0	3
CLT 100	Computer Literacy	45	0	0	3
Science Emphasis General Education Courses Total		645	120	0	43
Total for Science Emphasis Degree [†]		1251	458	616	97

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† At this time new Vocational Nursing enrollments are not being accepted at these campuses for the Certificate of Achievement program and Associate of Science (non-science emphasis) degree option. In order to enroll in the Vocational Nursing Associate of Science (science emphasis) degree option, students must have graduated from the Vocational Nursing Certificate of Achievement program.

** 1560 Clock Hours

‡ Offered at the Sacramento and San Jose campuses only.

§ Science-based general education course

Approximate time to complete the certificate program: 48 weeks (not including breaks)

Approximate time to complete the non-science emphasis associate degree program: 72 weeks (not including breaks)

Approximate time to complete the science emphasis associate degree program: 112 weeks (not including breaks)