**Nursing: Registered Nursing**

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### Degree(s)
- **Non-Transfer:**  
  A.S. in Nursing  
  *(with General Education Requirements Option A)*

### Certificate(s)
- None

### Employment Concentration Certificate(s)
- None

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### Program Description

The Associate in Science degree in Registered Nursing provides courses that are transferable to four-year colleges and universities. The program is accredited by the California State Board of Registered Nursing. Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX). The program pass rates are consistently above the state and national averages.

The Associate in Science degree in Nursing is a 78-unit degree program which requires four semesters (40 units in nursing) of study beyond completion of prerequisite courses. In addition, Mt. San Jacinto College offers a LVN-RN articulation option for completion of the Associate in Science degree in Nursing or a non-degree 30-unit option.

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### Career Opportunities

All career opportunities listed are representative careers in each field. There are no guaranteed positions for students completing these programs. (See: www.onetonline.org)

Health care providers, especially new graduate nurses, are positioned in this nation to have excellent employment opportunities especially with the Affordable Care Act. The Inland Empire continues to build health care facilities to provide care for the increase in population.

Health care reform and changes to legislation regarding health care has a direct impact on nursing. According to the Institute of Medicine, registered nurses will be in demand with a projected number of 500,000 employment opportunities nationwide by 2016.

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### Transfer Preparation

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree in this program might not be the same as those required for transfer into the major at a four-year university. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

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### Learning Outcomes

- Prepare to take and pass the NCLEX State Board Examination utilizing the concept of the current NCLEX Test Plan.
- Prepare for entry level jobs in nursing practice settings utilizing the concept of: therapeutic written, oral, and nonverbal communication skills; critical thinking and the nursing process to direct and manage client care; drug and intravenous therapy for promoting a safe, effective care environment; growth and development and socio-cultural to view the client as a holistic person; and evidence-based practices and principles of education to promote, maintain, and restore optimum health for clients with acute and chronic alterations in health.
- Act as a professional Registered Nurse by utilizing professional nursing ethics and accepted standards of care to comply with the scope of practice as defined by the Board of Registered Nursing in the state of California.

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### Degree

**Non-Transfer Degree**

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Note: Meeting admission requirements for the program does not guarantee admission into the Associate Degree in Nursing Program. Please see the Multi-Criteria Selection Process form for more information about the selection process. In addition, a pre-nursing “information workshop certificate” is no longer an admission requirement.
## Mt. San Jacinto College Associate Degree in Nursing Program Multi-Criteria Selection Process

Applicants with the highest ranking based on Criteria 1-6 will receive Provisional Acceptance and notified by MSJC student email 4-6 weeks after the application period. Admission will be offered to the highest ranking applicants whose documentation supports the information provided in the application.

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<td>1. Previous Academic Degrees, Diploma or Relevant Certificates • AA/AS or BA/BS or • Licensed Healthcare Work or • Certified Healthcare Worker</td>
<td>5 points</td>
<td>If you have multiple degrees/certificates the maximum points awarded is 5 points. • LVN, CNA, Paramedic, EMT, Respiratory Therapist, Phlebotomist, Physical or Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapy Aide, Medical Assistant, Medical Scribe, Dental Hygienist, Surgical Tech, Psychiatric Technician, Radiology or Ultrasound Technician, Paramedic • All Licenses/Certificates must be current to receive 5 points.</td>
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<td>2. Grade Point Average in Relevant Course Work</td>
<td>50 points</td>
<td>Minimum 2.5 GPA in Anatomy and Physiology, Microbiology, English Composition, and Intermediate Algebra (or higher) **LVN-RN applicants this includes Psychology Points for Prerequisite GPA is a maximum of 45 points GPA= 4.0 45 points GPA= 3.99- 3.8 40 points GPA= 3.79- 3.6 35 points GPA= 3.59- 3.4 30 points GPA= 3.39- 3.2 25 points GPA= 3.19- 3.0 20 points GPA= 2.99- 2.8 15 points GPA= 2.79- 2.6 10 points GPA= 2.50- 2.5 5 points ‘C’ or better in General Education and Licensure Requirements maximum 5 points • Completion of Psychology, Political Science, Communication, Diversity, and Humanities</td>
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| 3. Life Experiences or Special Circumstances of an Applicant | 5 points | Criteria/Application Requirement  
1. Veteran or active military status  
2. Disabilities  
3. Low Family Income  
4. First generation of family to attend college  
5. Need to work during pre-requisites  
6. Disadvantage, social or educational environment  
7. Difficult personal and family situations or circumstances  
8. Refugee |  
1. Copy of DD214 form for Veteran or Military ID  
2. Copy of DSPS evaluation or letter from a Physician documenting disability.  
4. Written statement from applicant.  
5. Documentation from employer on company letterhead verifying dates of employment.  
6. Written statement from applicant.  
7. Written statement from applicant. Pertains to: single parent, deployed spouse, family caregiver, death of family member within 6 months, medical problems, or financial issues.  
8. Copy of card indicating refugee status. |
| 4. Proficiency or Advanced Level Coursework in a Language other than English | 2 points | American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese (including various dialects), Farsi, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Languages of Indian Subcontinent & Southeast Asia  
• Proficiency in a Language other than English must be met by official transcripts from a U.S. regionally accredited college or university verifying two semesters of the same foreign language OR is the identified language spoken at home (Verification must be provided upon request) |
| 5. Documented relevant work or volunteer experience in Health care within the last 3 years. | 3 points | Points are awarded for work experience or volunteer experience.  
• Minimum of 100 hours for volunteer experience. |
| 6. Approved Diagnostic Assessment Tool, Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) | 35 points | Points for ATI TEAS is a maximum of 35 points  
Score 90- 100%  
Score 89- 82%  
Score 81- 74%  
Score 73- 62%  
• Students are required to submit official ATI TEAS results with their application.  
• The points assigned are dependent upon the test cut-off score of 62% or higher on the ATI TEAS.  
• Only the first passing score on the ATI TEAS will be accepted.  
• Please Note: The ATI TEAS Test can only be taken twice in order to achieve a passing score. |

Note: Every effort has been made to keep program information current. Please use this information as a guide and consult with the chair of the department/program or an MSJC counselor.
A.S. in Nursing (78 units)
Minimum cumulative college level GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale with a grade of “C” or better in the following courses:

Admission Requirements:
High School graduate (or equivalency)
There is a five year recency requirement for ANAT 101, ANAT 102, and BIOL 125.

Prerequisites: 23 units

ANAT-101 Human Anatomy & Physiology I (A) 4 units
ANAT-102 Human Anatomy & Physiology II (A) 5 units
BIOL-125 Microbiology (A) 5 units
or
BIOL-125H Honors Microbiology (A) 5 units
ENGL-101 Freshman Composition (D1) 4 units
or
ENGL-101H Honors Freshman Composition (D1) 4 units
MATH-096 Intermediate Algebra (G) 5 units

Semester One: 12 units
NURS-071 Foundations of Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
NURS-194 Pharmacology & Dosage Calculations for Nurses 3.5 units
NURS-212 Foundations of Nursing 4 units
NURS-214 Introduction to Medical-Surgical Nursing I 4 units

Semester Two: 12.5 units
NURS-072 Basic Medical Surgical Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
NURS-222 Nursing Care of Children & Families 3.5 units
NURS-224 Beginning Medical-Surgical Nursing II 5 units
NURS-226 Nursing of Childbearing & Families 3.5 units

Semester Three: 10.5 units
NURS-073 Intermediate Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
NURS-234 Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III 5 units
NURS-236 Mental Health Nursing 3 units
NURS-238 Gerontology and Community Nursing 3.5 units

Semester Four: 7 units
NURS-074 Advanced Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
NURS-244 Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing IV 4 units
NURS-248 Preceptorship (5 wks) 2.5 units

Additional Associate Degree and Requirements:
(12 units)
PSYC-101 Introduction to Psychology 3 units
or
PSYC-101H Honors Introduction to Psychology 3 units
PS-101 Introduction to American Government and Politics 3 units
or
PS-101H Honors Introduction to American Government and Politics 3 units
COMM-100 Public Speaking 3 units
or
COMM-100H Honors Public Speaking 3 units

Area C (Humanities) or Area F (Multicultural Gender Studies)
Many courses will satisfy both requirements: 3 units
(See the MSJC General Education Breadth Pattern)
Note: Graduates from the A.S. in Nursing Program meet the requirement of Physical Education and Healthful Living.
There is a five year recency requirement for ANAT 101, ANAT 102, and BIOL 125.

LVN to RN Transition
Degree/Non-Degree Candidate
Students choosing this option are Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN’s) or Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN’s) who would be eligible to enter the third semester of the Associate in Science in Nursing program after completing the recommended LVN to RN Transition courses. Students can opt to meet all of the requirements for the Associate in Science in Nursing degree (degree candidate) or to satisfy the course requirements for only those courses that are required by the California State Board of Registered Nursing as content required for RN licensure (non-degree candidate). Students can apply for advanced placement if he/she has completed courses at another college. Students will be admitted once a year in the fall semester.

LVN to RN Transition
Degree Candidate
Admission Requirements:
Note: Meeting admission requirements for the program does not guarantee admission into the Associate Degree in Nursing Program. Please see the Multi-Criteria Selection Process form for additional information about the selection process. In addition, a “Pre-Nursing Information Workshop Certificate” no longer an admission requirement.

Prerequisites: (29.5 units of course work):
(For admission into the third semester of the program)
Minimum cumulative college level GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale with a grade of “C” or better in the following courses:

Required Prerequisites (30.5 units)

ANAT-101 Human Anatomy & Physiology I 4 units
ANAT-102 Human Anatomy & Physiology II 5 units
BIOL-125 Microbiology 5 units
or
BIOL-125H Honors Microbiology 5 units
ENGL-101 Freshman Composition 4 units
or
ENGL-101H Honors Freshman Composition 4 units
MATH-096 Intermediate Algebra 5 units
or
MATH-096H Honors Intermediate Algebra 5 units
NURS-072 Basic Medical Surgical Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
NURS-232 Role Transition 3 units
NURS-234 Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III 5 units
PSYC-101 Introduction to Psychology 3 units
or
PSYC-101H Honors Introduction to Psychology 3 units
LVN, licensed in California or proof of LVN program graduate awaiting licensure.
### 3rd Semester (10.5 units):
- NURS-073 Intermediate Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
- NURS-234 Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III 5 units
- NURS-236 Mental Health Nursing 3 units
- NURS-238 Gerontology and Community Nursing 2 units

### 4th Semester (7 units):
- NURS-074 Advanced Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
- NURS-244 Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing IV 4 units
- NURS-248 Preceptorship 2.5 units

### Additional Associate Degree and Requirements:
- 3 units
- Political Science 101 (B1)
- Communication 100 or 103 (D2)
- Humanities/Multicultural Gender Studies (Any course from Area C (Humanities) or Area F (Multicultural Gender Studies)
- Many courses will satisfy both requirements:
  - Humanities/Multicultural Gender Studies 3 units

Note: Graduates from the A.S. in Nursing Program meet the requirement of Physical Education and Healthful Living.

### LVN to RN

#### [30 Unit Non-Degree Option]

Students choosing this option are Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN’s) or Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN’s) who would be eligible to enter the third semester of the program after the LVN to RN Transition course (NURS-232). Students can opt to meet all of the requirements of the Associate Degree in Science in Nursing degree (degree candidate) or to satisfy the course requirements for only those courses that are required by the California Board of Registered Nursing as the content required for RN licensure (non-degree candidate). Students can apply for advanced placement into the LVN-RN option if he/she has completed courses at another college. This student will be required to satisfy 30-semester units in nursing and physical sciences in order to qualify them to apply for RN licensure in California. This option is recognized only in the state of California. Students will be admitted once a year in the fall semester.

### Admission Requirements:

- High School graduate (or equivalent)

### Prerequisites:

- Minimum cumulative college level GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale with a minimum grade of “C” in the following courses:
  - ANAT-104 Survey of Human Anatomy and Physiology 5 units
  - BIOL-125 Microbiology 5 units
  - or
  - BIOL-125H Honors Microbiology 5 units
  - NURS-072 Basic Medical Surgical Nursing Skills Lab 0.5 unit
  - NURS-232 Role Transition 3 units
  - LVN, licensed in California or proof of awaiting licensure.

Note: Special Projects (299’s) can be arranged for individuals who have exceeded the 7 year recency requirements for ANAT-101, ANAT-102, and BIOL-125.

### Nursing Courses

#### 3rd Semester:
- NURS-234 Intermediate Medical-Surgical Nursing III 5 units
- NURS-236 Mental Health Nursing 3 units
- NURS-238 Gerontology and Community Nursing 2 units

#### 4th Semester:
- NURS-244 Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing IV 4 units
- NURS-248 Preceptorship 2.5 units