Nursing

Prerequisites (Sample schedule)

Courses with prerequisites, and the placement level of the student, may extend the Length of Program listed on this page.

Quarter One

- □ BIOL &160 General Biology ..............................................5
- □ MATH& 146 Introduction to Stats .................................5

Quarter Two

- □ **BIOL& 241 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (Fall or Winter)........................................................................5
- □ **CHEM& 121 Intro to Chemistry ........................................5

Quarter Three

- □ BIOL& 242 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (Winter or Spring) .................................................................5
- □ **BIOL& 260 Microbiology ......................................................

Additional Required Prerequisites

- □ PSYC& 100 Psychology ......................................................5
- □ ENGL& 101 English Composition I ........................................5
- □ ENGL& 102 English Composition II or CMST& 220 Public Speaking or CMST& 210 Interpersonal Communication ............5
- □ PSYC& 200 Life Span Psychology ........................................5
- □ 10 Credits of Humanities from distribution list must be taken prior to Quarter 8 .................................................................10

For qualifying humanities coursees, see humanities list in the following document:
https://pencol.edu/sites/default/files/Associate-in-Arts-2020-2021.pdf

Nursing - Year One (Sample schedule)

Note: The nursing schedule is being revised as we move toward the new Washington State Direct Transfer Agreement.

Quarter Five

- □ NURS 101 Nursing I ............................................................5
- □ NURS 111 Fundamental Clinical Nursing Skills ..................2
- □ HUM 131 Policy & Ethics in Healthcare I ............................1
- □ PSYC 141 Psychosocial Issues in Healthcare I ...............3
- □ NUTR 121 Nutrition in Healthcare I .....................................3

Quarter Six

- □ NURS 102 Nursing II Theory ..............................................6
- □ NURS 112 Nursing II Lab .....................................................5
- □ NUTR 122 Nutrition in Healthcare II ....................................1

Quarter Seven

- □ NURS 103 Nursing III Theory .............................................6
- □ NURS 113 Nursing III Lab ......................................................5
- □ NUTR 123 Nutrition in Healthcare III .................................1

Nursing - Year Two (Sample schedule)

Quarter Eight

- □ NURS 201 Nursing IV Theory .............................................6
- □ NURS 211 Nursing IV Lab .....................................................5
- □ PSYC 242 Psychosocial Issues in Healthcare II ..................2

Quarter Nine

- □ NURS 202 Nursing V Theory .............................................4
- □ NURS 212 Nursing V Lab .....................................................6
- □ HUM 232 Policy & Ethics in Healthcare II ..........................2

Quarter Ten

- □ NURS 203 Nursing VI Theory .............................................4
- □ NURS 213 Nursing VI Lab .....................................................6
- □ HUM 233 Policy & Ethics in Healthcare III ..........................2

Total Credits Required will be 135

Notes

**Important notes:**

Chemistry 121 has a prerequisite of intermediate algebra skills from either coursework or instructor testing.

Students planning to transfer to a BSN program should check with the transfer institution to confirm humanities class requirements.
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Program Description
The Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission approves the Peninsula College Nursing Program and is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (http://acenursing.org). 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 in Nursing DTA/MRP. Students with the Nursing DTA/MRP need only to complete senior level courses at select Universities in the state of Washington to achieve a Bachelor’s of Science in Nursing. Courses transfer as defined by the Associate in Nursing DTA/MRP agreement. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year program should review the Universities’ requirements for senior-year standing in the Bachelor of Applied nursing program.

Important Note: 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. Only the 10 credits of humanities may be completed after application and prior to the second year of the Nursing Program. 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.pencol.edu/proftech/nursing 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.
• Articulation agreements 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.
• The Associate in Nursing DTA/MRP also facilitates entering senior level BSN courses.
• 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.

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Student Learning Outcomes
When this program is completed, the student will be able to:

• Holistically assess the biopsychosocial-spiritual-cultural dynamic needs of the client.
• Use evidence based information and the nursing process to critically think and make clinical judgments and management decisions to ensure accurate and safe care.
• Demonstrate holistic caring behavior towards the client, significant support person(s), peers, and other members of the health care team.
• Provide accurate and safe nursing care in diverse settings.
• Provide teaching based on individualized teaching plan.
• Organizes and manages the holistic care of clients.
• Work cooperatively with others in the decision-making process to achieve client and organizational outcomes.
• Utilize appropriate verbal and written channels of communication to achieve positive client outcomes.
• Practice within the ethical, legal and regulatory frameworks of nursing and standards and scope of nursing practice.

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.

Potential Positions and Earning
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. The demand for nurses should remain strong over the next decade.

For current employment and wage estimates, please visit and search for the relevant occupational term: www.bls.gov/oes

Assessment
Students are required to place into the English and math/applied math courses required for the program. Learn more about placement options by visiting the Assessment and Placement website: http://www.pencol.edu/placement-testing

Test Fees
TEAS (for admission) ................................................................. $70.00
HESI ($85/quarter X 6 quarters) ............................................ $510.00

Approximate Additional Costs
Books, supplies and miscellaneous fees...................................... $3000.00
Lab kit (Fall quarter first year) ................................................... $200.00
Equipment: uniforms, stethoscope, watch, etc. ......................... $300.00
Laptop computer......................................................................... $1000.00
Malpractice Insurance ............................................................. $15.62 per year
Personal health insurance recommended............................... $39- $190 per quarter
Required Immunizations.......................................................... $600
CPR Card .................................................................................. varies
HIV AIDS 7 hours for healthcare provider .................................... varies
Travel / Transportation............................................................ varies
WA State Licensing fee ............................................................ $92
NCLEX..................................................................................... $200