



ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

The Great Basin College AAS Nursing Program is fully approved by the Nevada State Board of Nursing and is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN).

Mission

Great Basin College's Associate of Applied Science Nursing Degree (AAS Nursing) provides an accessible, student-centered, post-secondary nursing education that prepares graduates for entry level nursing practice in a variety of structured healthcare settings. The curriculum integrates courses in nursing with general education requirements.

AAS Nursing Program with Campuses in Elko, Pahrump, and Winnemucca

Through the use of technology Great Basin College (GBC) aims to increase the nursing workforce in rural Nevada to provide quality healthcare. The AAS nursing program offers synchronized distance education for theory courses allowing students and instructors to interact between Elko, Pahrump, and Winnemucca locations. Clinical opportunities and state of the art simulation labs are located in each location so students can gain the knowledge and skills necessary for the nursing profession within their own communities.

The AAS Nursing graduate can provide basic nursing care in structured settings for individuals and families experiencing common and acute health problems. As an entry-level nurse, the AAS Nursing graduate can apply the best evidence, available

resources, and information technology to assure high quality and safe nursing care. The AAS Nursing graduate can manage direct care for small groups of patients and participate as a member of nursing and interdisciplinary teams to achieve positive health outcomes. AAS Nursing provides the foundation for more advanced education at the baccalaureate level.

Laboratory and clinical experience are offered at the local college, hospitals, nursing homes, and other community facilities.

Upon completion of the program, students are expected to:

1. Provide safe, quality, evidence-based, patient-centered nursing care in a variety of healthcare environments to diverse patient populations across the lifespan.
2. Use clinical reasoning when engaged in the work of a professional nurse.
3. Participate in quality improvement processes to better patient care.
4. Engage in teamwork with members of the interprofessional team, the patient, and the patient's support persons when managing patient care.
5. Apply management, legal, ethical, and professional guidelines in practice as a professional nurse.
6. Use information management principles, techniques, and systems, and patient care technology to communicate, manage knowledge, mitigate error, and support decision-making.

GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

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Admission

Admission to the AAS Nursing program is a separate process from admission to Great Basin College. Enrollment in the program is limited and is available at the Elko campus with interactive video lecture to Pahrump and Winnemucca Centers. Students are admitted only in the fall semester to begin the four-semester sequence of nursing courses. Selection is made using a point system. Points are given for grades in prerequisite and general education courses and the TEAS entrance exam.

College courses taken at another institution will be evaluated by the Admissions and Records Office for transfer and acceptance. All courses must have been completed at a regionally accredited institution of higher education. All previous coursework must be submitted from the institution where it was completed as an official transcript. Transcript copies are not accepted.

Preference is given to GBC service area students and Veterans. Applicants not selected for the program will not be carried forward to the next application period and must re-apply and meet the requirements prevailing at the time. Only students accepted into the nursing program can enroll in NURS designated courses unless otherwise specified in the course description.

An initial advisory appointment with an AAS Nursing faculty member is strongly recommended. Applications and information are available online after the first week in January. The application deadline is the first week of April for admission consideration for the subsequent fall semester.

Students interested in AAS Nursing are encouraged to contact the Health Science and Human Services Department for a personal advisement with a nursing faculty. This personal advisement gives in-depth information about the classes needed for the most successful application.



Open advisement meetings, which provide general information about application to the program, are held two times per year (September and February). Watch the announcement page at www.gbcnv.edu for the next scheduled meeting.

AAS Nursing's website provides additional information about:

- TEAS information and scheduled testing dates
- Application and information
- Points system for admission
- Program requirements
- General Education requirements
- CNA information and FAQs



Program Cost

Tuition: Approximately \$13,500.00 as of Fall 2019
Books: Approximately \$1,550.00 per academic year

Accreditation

The AAS Nursing Program is accredited by:
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN)
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850
Atlanta, GA 30326
Phone: 404-975-5000 | Fax: 404-975-5020 | acenursing.org

AAS Program Curriculum

| PREREQUISITES | | CREDITS |
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| BIOL 223 | Human Anatomy and Physiology I | 4 |
| BIOL 224 | Human Anatomy and Physiology II | 4 |
| BIOL 251 | General Microbiology | 4 |
| MATH 120 | Fundamentals of College Mathematics, OR higher | 3 |
| PSY 101 | General Psychology | 3 |
| | General Education Science Requirement | 3 |
| | CNA Certificate of Completion (Licensure not required) | |

FIRST SEMESTER

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| ENG 101 | Composition I | 3 |
| NURS 135 | Fundamental Concepts in Nursing | 8 |
| NURS 154 | Introduction to Pharmacology | 1 |

SECOND SEMESTER

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| ENG 102 | Composition II | 3 |
| NURS 155 | Clinical Decision Making in Drug Therapy | 1 |
| NURS 158 | Nursing Care of Adults in Health and Illness | 5 |
| NURS 159 | Nursing Care of Individuals with Mental Health Problems | 3 |

THIRD SEMESTER

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| NURS 252 | Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family | 3 |
| NURS 253 | Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents | 3 |
| NURS 257 | Nursing Care: Acute and Chronic Illness | 5 |
| PSC 101 | Introduction to American Politics | 3 |

FOURTH SEMESTER

| | CREDITS | |
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| NURS 258 | Patients with Complex Health Problems | 4 |
| NURS 273 | Professional Development and Transition to Practice | 2 |
| NURS 280 | Evidence-Based Practice for Quality Improvement Seminar | 2 |
| | Fine Arts or Humanities Requirement | 3 |

BIOL 190 is a Science Department requirement to be taken prior to or concurrently with BIOL 223.

Year of admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program determines catalog year and course requirements.