

Area of Interest: Nursing, Health & Emergency Careers
Degree: Nursing, Associate of Applied Science (AAS)
 RN Traditional Emphasis



Stackable Certificate: Practical Nursing
College Catalog: [2024-2025](#)

Program Location: Signal Peak Campus (All Campuses prerequisite/corequisite courses.)
Program Description: Central Arizona College's Registered Nursing Program prepares students for the medical workforce or to complete further education to specialize in clinical practice, teaching, or administration. The CAC Nursing Program is approved by the Arizona State Board of Nursing, www.azbn.gov.
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Area of Interest Website: [Nursing, Health & Emergency Careers](#)

Legend

Bold Course =Required Course	Recommended Course (R)	Stackable Certificate (SC)	
AGEC Course list (Arizona General Education Curriculum)			
Written Communication (WC)	Oral Communication (OC)	Arts/Humanities (AH)	Social/Behavioral Science (SB)
Biological Science (BS)	Mathematics (M)	Core Course (CC)	Elective (E)

Pre-Program Admission Requirements:

Before applying to the program, students need to have completed the following:

BIO181 General Biology I , BIO156 or placement assessment required to register for BIO201 or BIO205.
Completion of BIO201 and BIO202 with a grade of "C" or better (within 5 years prior to the application).
LNA or LPN License from the Arizona State Board of Nursing must be included in the application to the CAC Nursing program. (Request LNA License early to allow shipping and processing time).
Eligibility to register for ENG101 College Composition I . Eligibility to register for MAT141 College Mathematics or higher. • New Students-Find your suggested starting point for English/Reading & Math courses.
Application to the Nursing Program (Must attend an informational session within one year of application.) The program application will be provided in the information session.
HESI Nursing entrance exam at CAC prior to submitting application. The HESI must be completed within 3 attempts with the following scores: 80% minimum with 90-95% preferred on Reading Comprehension, Grammar, Vocabulary, and Mathematics and 70% minimum on Anatomy/Physiology. (A 30-day wait is required before retesting).
Cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.
Students must be able to meet the Essential Functions of the Nursing Program as listed in the Nursing Application and Information Packet.
Concurrent Enrollment Programs (CEP) are available for those who wish to consider obtaining their Baccalaureate Degree by taking classes along with AAS courses. Please schedule an information session for more information by visiting: Nursing (AAS) - Central Arizona College (centralaz.edu) .

Students are encouraged to take as many corequisites as possible before applying to the program to make the semesters less intense. These courses also assist with increasing the point value for entry into the program. Corequisites:

Block 1: ENG101 and MAT141	Block 2: ENG102 and PSY101
Block 3: BIO205	Block 4: Arts & Humanities

		Pre-Degree Courses	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	BS	BIO201 Anatomy & Physiology I	4		BIO201 & BIO202 must be taken within five years of application to the Nursing Program.
	BS	BIO202 Anatomy & Physiology II	4		
		Co-requisite Courses	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
SC	WC	ENG101 College Composition I	3		Health-care specific section preferred.
SC	WC	ENG102 College Composition II	3		
SC	SB	PSY101 Introduction to Psychology	3		
	AH	Select an AGEC Arts & Humanities course	3		

SC	M	MAT141 College Mathematics, Standard or Higher	4		
	CC	BIO205 Microbiology	4		
SC	CC	NUR200 Advanced Medical Terminology for Nursing and Healthcare Professionals	1		Must take prior to Block 1 Summer only.

Nursing Block 1 (Students may enroll in NUR courses AFTER official acceptance into the Nursing Program).

		COURSE	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
SC	CC	NUR121A Nursing Transitions Introduction	4		
SC	CC	NUR125 Nursing Psychiatric Care and Developmental Transitions	4		
SC	CC	NUR126A Introduction to Principles and Application of Drug Dosage Calculations	1		
Semester Credits:			9	Meet with your CAC Advisor every semester!	

Block 2

		COURSE	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
SC	CC	NUR121B Fundamentals of Health/Illness Transitions	4		
SC	CC	NUR135 Nursing in Obstetric and Pediatric Transitions	4		
SC	CC	NUR145A Introduction to Pathopharmacology	2		
Semester Credits:			10	Research career resources and opportunities!	

Block 3

		COURSE	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	CC	NUR126C Advanced Principles and Application of Drug Dosage Calculations	1		
	CC	NUR145B Advanced Pathopharmacology	2		
	CC	NUR201 Advanced Nursing in Health/Illness Transitions	8		
Semester Credits:			11	Apply for graduation and attend career events!	

Block 4

		COURSE	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	CC	NUR222 Nursing Organizational Transitions	8		
	CC	NUR223 Transition to the Nursing Workforce	1		
Semester Credits			9	Students may sit for RN license after successfully completing nursing program at CAC. After obtaining RN license, the student may apply to any Baccalaureate nursing programs.	
Total Degree Credits			60		
Total Certificate Credits			33		

Arizona Resident Tuition for 2024-2025 is \$75 per credit hour, see [Paying for College](#). Financial aid may be available.

Transfer Information

CAC University Transfer Center: centralaz.edu/transfer FREE CAC transfer resources and assistance.

AZTransfer Nursing Major Guide has a list of transfer programs at ASU, NAU, or UA.

Partnership Programs: CAC has partnerships with **NAU** and **ASU** for Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP). If you are considering the concurrent enrollment programs, please click those maps.

- Students can graduate from CAC with AAS in Nursing and **NAU** with BSN concurrently.
- Students can graduate from CAC with AAS in Nursing, take the licensure exam and pass, and complete one additional semester at **ASU** to receive their BSN.

Students also have the option to complete a university BSN program after completing CAC's AAS Nursing.

Career Information

CAC Career Center: centralaz.edu/career FREE CAC career resources and assistance.

O*NET OnLine: Visit onetonline.org and search for:

- Education needed for specific occupations
- Occupation tasks, knowledge, skills and abilities
- Salary/wages for specific occupations (\$)

Note: Use this Program MAP as a guide to choose courses with your advisor and track progress towards milestones and completion of program. Work with an advisor to customize your plan to align with your specific career and/or transfer goals.

Part-Time Students: Plans can be modified to fit the need of part-time students by adding more semesters. **The NUR program is not offered as a part-time program.**

Student Name:

Advisor Name:

Student ID Number: 880

Date: