

Nursing– Day Option

Associate in Science

DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES

This program is designed to meet the educational needs of students pursuing a career in nursing who wish to attend college full-time during the day. The curriculum is designed to be completed over four semesters, although some students may choose to complete some non-nursing courses prior to beginning the nursing sequence.

The theoretical and clinical components of nursing courses must be taken concurrently and sequentially. Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

The Associate in Science Degree in Nursing is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission and approved by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing.

Upon completion, the Associate in Science Degree in Nursing is awarded.

Students seeking admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADN) will be individually evaluated on the basis of Grade Point Average (GPA) and total number of college-level credits completed at MassBay. Priority for admission is given to current MassBay students. Applicants must also meet the following additional criteria for acceptance into the nursing program:

- Freshman English I (EN101) with a grade of C or higher.
- MassBay placement into College Algebra (MA102) or Pre-Calculus Mathematics (MA104) or completion of Intermediate Algebra (MA098) with a grade of C or higher.
- Completion of Chemistry I with a grade of C + or higher. (High School Chemistry or College Chemistry (CH101) within 10 years of acceptance into the nursing program.
- Successful completion of Reading Assessment Test with a score of 72 or better. Refer to the Competitive Programs Admissions Requirements.
- Completion of HL 111 Essentials of Nutrition and PS 101 Introduction to Psychology with a C or better;
- HESI Admission (A2) exam score of 75 or better in both Science Composite (Biology, A&P, Chemistry) and Overall Composite (all subjects combined). Consideration will be given to students whose scores are better than 60 with a preference given to students who score 75 or better in both areas (composite and science) and those who have a score of 750 or higher in the Critical Thinking portion of HESI Admission (A2) exam. Students may take the HESI exam for a total of 4 times. There must be a 6 month period between each exam. HESI exams are only good for one year, and then the exam must be retaken.
- Completion of BI 115 Anatomy and Physiology I; B I 116 Anatomy and Physiology II and BI23 Fundamentals of Microbiology within a five (5) year time frame with a grade of C+ or better at the time student records are reviewed for matriculation into the nursing program. Students cannot have multiple attempts to achieve a C+ or higher in any science course within the required 5 year period. Students can repeat a science course only once.

CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) and SORI (Sexual Offender Registry Information) background checks are required prior to practicum placement and will be conducted in accordance with state regulations. CORI and SORI results are confidential.

Proof of CPR certification is required on or before the first day of the first semester of the first year and must be submitted to the Division of Health Sciences (DHS) compliance coordinator. . The Healthcare Provider Card (from the American Heart Association) and the Professional Rescuer Card (from American Red Cross or National Safety Council) are the only types of CPR certification that meet this requirement. Students may enroll in a Health Care Provider course through the Office of Corporate & Community Education.

Students who do not submit the required Division of Health Sciences (DHS) health forms or other required information will have a health hold placed on their records that will prevent the individual from registering for any courses. Forms/information must be submitted to DHS compliance coordinator. See the DHS student hand book for more information. If students do not submit forms in a timely fashion they will be withdrawn from the program.

PROGRAM FOOTNOTES:

All Nursing (NU) courses must be completed with a grade of C (73%) or higher.

Competency in mathematics is a MassBay graduation requirement. Prior to graduation, students must demonstrate competency at 100-level math. This may be accomplished by an appropriate placement test score or completion of a 100-level math course (not MAC)

Humanities Electives: Art, Communications, Film, Foreign Language, Humanities, Literature, Oral Communication, Philosophy, Photography, Sign Language, Theater Arts