The Associate Degree Nursing Program is a demanding, rigorous program that requires advance academic preparation, personal commitment, and a considerable amount of time in study and preparation outside of class. Mandatory general orientation sessions are available each semester to assist prospective applicants so they may learn more about careers in nursing, the El Camino nursing program and its requirements, and how to formulate an educational plan to become a qualified applicant.

Nursing courses must be taken in sequence. Non-nursing courses are to be taken in the semester indicated, unless taken prior to entering the nursing sequence. Students intending to pursue a BSN should consult a nursing counselor for transferability of science courses and additional course requirements of the four-year institution.

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Nursing 48 - Calculating Drugs and Solutions (8 weeks)  
Hours: 3.0 hours Lecture; 3.4 hours Lab - 2 Units

Total units for Program Requirements = 2.0

**SEMESTER II**

Nursing 149 - Preparation for Advanced Placement in Nursing (8 weeks)  
Hours: 1.5 hours Lecture; 1.5 hours Lab - 2 Units
Nursing 154 - Intermediate Nursing Process and Mental Health (8 weeks)  
Hours: 4.5 hours Lecture; 13.5 hours Lab - 4 Units
Nursing 155 - Health Assessment (8 weeks)  
Hours: 1 hour Lecture; 3.4 hours lab - 1 Unit
Nursing 156 - Advanced Nursing Pharmacology (8 weeks) **  
Hours: 2 Units Lecture - 1 Unit
Psychology 5*  
Hours: 3.4 hours Lecture - 3 Units

Total units for Second Semester = 11

**SEMESTER III**

Nursing 250 - Intermediate Nursing Process and The Family (8 weeks)  
Hours: 6.8 hours Lecture; 16.9 hours Lab - 5.5 Units
Nursing 251 - Legal and Ethical Considerations in Nursing (8 weeks)  
Hours: 2 hours Lecture - 1 Unit
Nursing 253 - Intermediate Nursing Process II (8 weeks)  
Hours: 4.5 hours Lecture; 16.9 hours Lab - 4.5 Units
Select one of the following General Education Requirements:

- English 1B*
  Hours: 3.4 hours Lecture - 3 Units
- Communication & Analytical Thinking*
  Hours: 3.4 hours Lecture - 3 Units

Total Units Third Semester = 14

**SEMESTER IV**
Nursing 254 - Advanced Nursing Process I (12 weeks)
Hours: 4.5 hours Lecture; 18 hours Lab - 7 Units
Nursing 255 - Advanced Nursing Process II (4 weeks)
Hours: 33.75 hours Lab - 2.5 Units

Select one of the following General Education Requirements:

- English 1B*
  Hours: 3.4 hours Lecture - 3 Units
- Communication & Analytical Thinking*
  Hours: 3.4 hours Lecture - 3 Units

Total Units Fourth Semester = 12.5
* These subjects may be taken prior to admission to the nursing department
** This course is currently being offered during the winter and summer intersession.

Note: In addition to the Nursing Department and Board of Registered Nursing course requirements, students must meet the ECC A.S. degree general education requirements outlined in the college catalog. Please consult with a nursing counselor if you have any questions regarding the degree requirements.