Ready to Step Up?

Licensed Vocational Nurses have the opportunity to step-up to RN in only two semesters at College of the Siskiyous!

Experience quality instruction, a caring atmosphere, and small class sizes on a beautiful campus in the shadow of Mount Shasta.

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Associate Degree Nursing (LVN-RN Step-Up) Program

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Career Education Opportunities

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Licensed Vocational Nurses who are interested in upgrading to Registered Nurse have the unique opportunity to do so in two semesters using a state-of-the-art simulation lab at the College of the Siskiyous Yreka Campus. Students will also receive hands-on community and clinical experiences.

College of the Siskiyous has one of the top Vocational Nursing programs in the state, and the LVN-RN Step-Up program has been developed under the same high standards. Graduates from the program will receive an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing and be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination-Registered Nursing (NCLEX-RN).

**Academic Renewal Policy:** College of the Siskiyous has an Academic Renewal Policy. Contact Counseling Services for more information or see current COS Catalog.

*LVNs and other health care workers may be able to obtain placement in the nursing program on a space available basis through challenging exams, portfolio assessment, and credit for equivalent courses.

**Job Description**
Registered Nurses are considered competent when they consistently demonstrate the ability to transfer scientific knowledge from social, biological, and physical sciences in applying the nursing process. This process includes formulation of a nursing diagnosis, formulation of a nursing care plan, skill performance, delegation of tasks to provide nursing care, evaluation of the nursing care plan, and client advocacy.

**How to Apply:** In addition to the college application, a special program application is required. For application information, contact the Nursing Department at 530-841-5929.

**Enrollment Criteria:**
- Official high school, GED or high school equivalency certificate
- Graduate of an approved vocational nursing program
- Official college transcripts
- Proof of active LVN license (copy)
- Background clearance and drug screening clearance
- Pre-admission academic testing –T.E.A.S V (minimum required score of 62%)
- American Heart Association Health Care Provider CPR card, valid through program
- Meet or exceed the minimum health and physical requirements
- Successfully pass a physical exam and provide verification of current, required immunizations.

**Additional Requirements for College Graduation**
- **Mathematics**—One AA Degree General Education Mathematics course
- **Arts and Humanities**—One IGETC Area 3 Arts & Humanities course or (approved course)
- **Diversity**—Enrollment and completion of ADN (LVN-RN Step-Up) Program completes this Req.
- **PE/Wellness** - enrollment and completion of ADN (LVN-RN Step-Up) program meets one (1) unit of this two-unit requirement or (approved course)

**Prerequisites:**
- BIO 2700 Human Anatomy (or approved course)
- BIO 2800 Human Physiology (or approved course)
- BIO 2600 Microbiology (or approved course)
- ENGL 1001 College Composition (or approved course)

* Students must have an overall GPA of 2.5 for Human Anatomy, Human Physiology and the Microbiology prerequisite courses with no grade below a “C” for each course and no more than one repetition of any of these courses, only if the first attempt is a C, D, F or FW:

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[www.siskiyous.edu/cte/nursing/adn.htm](http://www.siskiyous.edu/cte/nursing/adn.htm)