The Registered Nursing program educates students for patient/client services in a variety of health care settings. Clinical experience in hospitals and other health care agencies is correlated with classroom instruction.

After satisfactory completion of all courses and the specified general education requirements of Cypress College, the individual will receive an Associate Degree in Nursing and will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

Graduates with the Associate Degree will find that nursing is a challenging, multi-faceted career choice. The many employment opportunities include working in hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, home health care agencies, clinics, physicians’ offices, hospices and more.

The Department of Nursing articulates with most area universities, which means they accept lower division work from Cypress. Many of our graduates continue on to an upper division program of study specifically designed for registered nurses leading to a Bachelor or Master of Science in Nursing.

The Nursing Program is approved by the California State Board of Registered Nursing and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN, formerly NLNAC).
Minimum Standards To Apply

1. Attend an information workshop. (Strongly recommended)
2. Eligible for admission to Cypress College.
3. High school graduation, or passing of the General Education Development tests (GED), or the High school Proficiency Test, or a graduate of an accredited college.
4. Minimum age of 17 years to apply. Must be 18 years old at the start of clinical training.
5. Good physical and mental health as determined by a medical examination upon admission to the program. See note in rear.
6. If you have been convicted of any offense other than a minor traffic violation, it may prevent your attending clinical rotations where criminal background checks are required. You will be required to declare offenses on your state application to write the licensing exam, which may affect your eligibility to become licensed.
7. Total college grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 “C” or better. Official transcripts of all colleges attended are required.
8. Completion of English 100C with “C” or better as determined by a counselor from transcript.
9. Completion of Biology 231C (General Human Anatomy), Biology 241C (General Human Physiology), Chemistry 101C is strongly recommended, and Biology 220C (Medical Microbiology) with “C” or better. All must have been completed within five years of application.
10. Passing TEAS score (62 or higher) within the last two years and most current version (requirement begins Fall 2020).

Application Procedure

1. Applications must be completed online at the beginning of September. Please see the "How to Apply" link on the Health Science home page for specific dates.
   
   http://www.cypresscollege.edu/academics/divisions-special-programs/health-science/

2. Applicants must submit the following in person by October 1st:

   - Signature page of the application
   - Copy of HS Diploma/GED, HS Proficiency Test or official HS transcript
   - Official transcripts of all colleges attended (unofficial Cypress and Fullerton Colleges)
   - Be prepared to present photo ID.

   Health Science Applications Office
   Health Science Building/TE3-217
   Cypress College
   9200 Valley View St. Cypress, CA
   90630-5897
   (714) 484-7270

3. The Registered Nursing Program admits students twice each year: Fall and Spring. Applicants will be notified of status via email.

   All applicants who wish to remain on the applicant list must file an updated application every year during the application period in September. Applicants again will be notified of updated status via email.

Please note:

F-1 visa students will not be accepted for admission into any program when applications by qualified U.S. citizens exceed space available.

2019-2020
Registered Nursing Program

CURRICULUM

General Education Graduation Requirements
The following courses must be taken prior to the expected date of graduation with a grade of “C” or better:

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<td>COMM 100C Human Communication</td>
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<td>MATH 40C Intermediate Algebra or Higher</td>
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Beginning the Fall 2000 catalog, the Nursing program meets the cultural diversity requirement.

- May be waived based on completion of a bachelor degree or higher at an accredited institution in the U.S.
- A score of 3 or higher on the Advanced Placement (AP) meets this requirement. See a counselor for more information.
- Proficiency test available - see Counselor.
- See Counselor/catalog.
- Must be taken within 5 years of application.

Nursing courses must be taken in specific sequence. For further information, see a Health Science Counselor. The student must attain a minimum grade of “C” in each required course to continue in the program.

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<td>ENGL 100C College Writing</td>
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Semester I | Units
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NURS 191C Pharmacology in Nursing I | 1.0
NURS 192C Fundamentals of Nursing | 4.5
NURS 193C Intro to Med-Surg/Geriatric Nursing | 3.5
| 9.0

Semester II | Units
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NURS 195C Pharmacology in Nursing II | 1.0
NURS 196C Med-Surg Nursing I | 5.0
NURS 197C Maternal/Newborn Nursing | 3.5
| 9.5

Semester III | Units
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NURS 291C Pharmacology in Nursing III | 1.0
NURS 292C Med-Surg Nursing II | 5.0
NURS 293C Mental Health Nursing | 3.5
NURS 294C Geriatric Nursing | 3.0
| 12.5

Semester IV | Units
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NURS 295C Pharmacology in Nursing IV | 0.5
NURS 296C Child/Family Nursing | 3.5
NURS 297C Med-Surg Nursing III | 5.0
| 9.0

***PLEASE REFER TO BACK PAGE FOR MOST CURRENT INFORMATION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE***
In compliance with the State Board of Registered Nursing Guidelines, no student with impaired health status (which includes use of legal or illegal drugs, alcohol, or other chemicals) shall be admitted or allowed to remain enrolled in the Nursing Program.

Students applying to the Nursing Program with a history of substance abuse, physical impairment, or mental/emotional impairment shall be required to provide proof of active participation in a recognized treatment program at the time of application.

Evidence of continuing rehabilitation may be required if admitted or re-admitted to the Nursing Program.

These standards are necessary for the Cypress College Registered Nursing Program to be in compliance with the Board of Registered Nursing Guidelines, and maintain full accreditation.

FALL 2019 APPLICATION PERIOD:
The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) will be used by the Cypress College Nursing Program. The TEAS is a multiple-choice assessment that will cover English and Language usage, reading, mathematics and science. For more information on the TEAS, applicants may go to: http://www.atitesting.com/global/students/teas-faq.aspx

Applicants who fail to meet the required scores will be given one year to remediate or can choose to retake the TEAS one year (365 days) from the last attempt.

Admission to the Nursing Program will be deferred for one year until remediation is completed. Applicants who choose to remediate are required to meet with a nursing counselor to develop their plan within 60 days of the Nursing Program TEAS deadline date set each semester. Applicants are required to communicate with the Nursing counselor as they progress with the plan. **Applicants are only allowed one remediation attempt with the Cypress College Nursing Program.

Please note this is not part of the selection criteria for Fall 2019, but a condition of acceptance.

BEGINNING FALL 2020 APPLICATION PERIOD:
A passing TEAS score (62 or higher) will be required to apply to the Registered Nursing Program.