

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

VOCATIONAL NURSING

The **Vocational Nursing Program** is a two-and-a-half semester program following completion of prerequisite courses. It is designed to prepare students for employment as staff nurses, giving care to patients in a variety of settings such as extended care facilities, home health care, surgical centers, and medical offices. The program is approved by the California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT). Students who complete the curriculum and achieve the certificate of achievement are qualified to take the examination leading to licensure as a licensed vocational nurse.

A 2.5 or better grade point average in all college work attempted is required for completion of the program and qualification to take the examination leading to licensure as a licensed vocational nurse.

To acquire the **Certificate of Achievement in Vocational Nursing**, it is necessary to complete the following courses:

**VN 061 AND 061L are offered once per year by permit*

| Academic Requirements | | Units | N | IP | C |
|------------------------------|---|-------------|---|----|---|
| Prerequisites | | | | | |
| HS 045 | Math for the Health Care Professional | 1 | | | |
| BIOL 125 | Human Anatomy | 4 | | | |
| PSYC C1000 or PSYC C1000H | Introduction to Psychology/Honors | 3 | | | |
| *VN 061 | *Basic Fundamentals of Nursing | 3.5 | | | |
| *VN 061L | *Basic Fundamentals of Nursing Laboratory | 5 | | | |
| TOTAL PREREQUISITE UNITS | | 16.5 | | | |

Courses required after program admission:

| FALL Semester | | Units | N | IP | C |
|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|---|----|---|
| VN 073 | *Basic Pharmacology | 2 | | | |
| VN 078/L | *Vocational Nursing I w/ Lab | 9/7 | | | |
| Total Units for Fall | | 18 | | | |

| SPRING Semester | | Units | N | IP | C |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|---|----|---|
| VN 083 | *Applied Pharmacology | 2 | | | |
| VN 088/L | *Vocational Nursing II w/ Lab | 7/6 | | | |
| Total Units for Spring | | 15 | | | |
| Total Major Program Units: 49.5 | | | | | |