

## **Nursing A.S. Degree and Certificate of Achievement**

Registered Nursing  
Vocational Nursing

### **ROP Certificates -**

Home Health Aide  
Nurse Assistant - Convalescent  
Clinical Medical Assisting

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The sequence of courses for students interested in careers in Allied Health is shown below. The sequence is designed to offer maximum flexibility in achieving educational goals, while providing for entry into the next level of the program.

### PREREQUISITES:

AH 3\*\* The Person in the Life Cycle (3 units)  
AH/BIO 11\*\* Nutrition (3 units)  
AH/BIO 15\*\* Survey of Human Anatomy and Physiology (or BIO 7 and BIO 9) (5 units)  
AH 32\*\* Basic Cardiac Life Support (1 unit)  
AH 180\*\* Fundamentals of Nursing--Convalescent (8 units)  
ENGL 1A\*\* Composition (3 units)  
PSYC 10\*\* Introduction to Psychology (3 units)  
ENGL 260\* Preparation for College Reading (3 units)  
MATH 233\* Intermediate Algebra (5 units)  
or Math 240

\*May be satisfied by coursework or Gavilan College Placement Test. Two year recency and a minimum grade of "C" required.

\*\* Overall GPA of 2.5 in specified courses. Minimum of "C" in all courses.

### CLINICAL COURSES REQUIRED FOR ADVANCED STANDING:

AH 51\*\* Medical-Surgical Nursing (11 units)  
AH 52\*\* Medical-Surgical Nursing (11 units)  
AH 53\*\* Medical-Surgical - Maternal-Neonatal Nursing (11 units)  
AH 54\*\* Medical-Surgical/Pediatric Nursing. (11 units)

### LVN LICENSING EXAM

Students completing AH 51-54 will be eligible to take the NCLEX-VN Licensing Exam and apply for Advanced Standing in the Registered Nursing Program. Additional courses must be taken to meet general education requirements for A.S. degree. Please consult a counselor.

### ADVANCED STANDING/REGISTERED NURSING

#### REQUIREMENTS

Courses listed above and the following are required for Advanced Standing:

AH/BIO 8***	General Microbiology. (5 units)
AH/BIO 9***	Human Physiology (5 units)
AH 16A***	Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal (1 unit)
AH 16B***	Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal (1 unit)
AH 16C***	Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal (1 unit)
AH 16D***	Intravenous Therapy/Blood Withdrawal (1 unit)
CHEM 30A	Elementary Chemistry (recommended) (4 units)
CMUN 1A***	Introduction to Public Speaking (3 units)
SOC 1A***	Introduction to Sociology (3 units)

\*\*\*Prerequisites for admission to Advanced Standing. Students must meet recency requirements and maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 in specified courses. Minimum of "C" in all courses. Please consult a counselor. To schedule an appointment, call 408-848-4723

Students admitted to Advanced Standing will complete the following clinical courses and be eligible to take the NCLEX-RN Licensing Examination:

AH 55\*\* Interactive and Mental Health Nursing (10 units)  
AH 56\*\* Compensatory Nursing Practice (10 units)

\*\*Students completing AH 51-56 will be eligible to take the NCLEX-RN Licensing Exam. Additional courses must be taken to meet general education requirements for A.S. degree. Please consult a counselor. To schedule an appointment, call 408-848-4723.

Students interested in a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program are encouraged to consult the catalog from the college they plan to attend. See a counselor regarding transfer requirements.

## Registered Nursing

### *A.S. Degree and Certificate of Achievement*

After completing the Registered Nursing program and passing the National Council Licensure Examination, students will have job entry skills for registered nursing. The Associate degree in Registered Nursing requires completion of the Allied Health clinical courses listed plus general education requirements. Students are then qualified for a Certificate of Achievement in Registered Nursing and an Associate of Science degree.

#### **Program Learning Outcomes:**

After completing this degree or certificate a student will be able to:

- ▶ take and pass the licensure exam.
- ▶ function within the scope of practice of the registered nurse as outlined by the California Board of Registered Nursing.
- ▶ practice within professional and legal standards, ethical principles and demonstrate sensitivity to the cultural differences of clients.
- ▶ apply principles of oral, written and verbal communication to convey relevant, accurate and complete information.
- ▶ demonstrate an ability to practice safely.
- ▶ apply the nursing process by assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating nursing care and teaching the maintenance of health and prevention of disease.

At the present time, the Registered Nursing program is open to licensed vocational nurses or those who have successfully completed a vocational nursing program and are exam eligible.

#### **CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:**

- Prerequisites (34 units) listed on page 64
- Clinical Courses Required for advanced standing (44 units) listed on page 64
- ADVANCED STANDING / REGISTERED NURSING REQUIREMENTS (21 units) listed on page 64
- **CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS:**  
 AH 55\*\* Interactive and Mental Health Nursing (10 units)  
 AH 56\*\* Compensatory Nursing Practice (10 units)

\*\* Overall GPA of 2.5 in specified courses. Minimum of "C" in all courses.

#### **TOTAL UNITS: 85 PLUS PREREQUISITES (34 UNITS)**

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE:** completion of the certificate REQUIREMENTS plus general education requirements.

**General Education requirements:** A student may complete the Gavilan College A.A./A.S. general education, the CSU-GE Breadth or the IGETC pattern, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60 unit total. See pages 50-57 or see a counselor for details.

**NOTE:** A course may be used to satisfy both general education and major courses. See "Double Counting Rule" on page 47.

## Registered Nursing 30 Unit Option

### *Certificate of Achievement*

Completion of the courses listed below will qualify students for a Certificate of Achievement in Registered Nursing. This option is available to Licensed Vocational Nurses only. Please consult a counselor. To schedule an appointment, call 408-848-4723.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

- AH/BIO 8\*\* General Microbiology (5 units)
- AH/BIO 9\*\* Human Physiology (5 units)
- AH 55\*\* Interactive and Mental Health Nursing (10 units)
- AH 56\*\* Compensatory Nursing Practice (10 units)

Certificate requirements: 30 units

## Nurse Assistant - Convalescent

### *ROP Certificate*

Completion of this course will qualify students to apply for certification by taking the written and performance Nurse Assistant Competency Exam. Students receiving the certificate will have job entry skills for nurse assistant in the convalescent facility.

AH180 Fundamentals of Nursing Convalescent (8 units)

ROP certificate requirements: 8 units

## Home Health Aide *ROP Certificate*

Completion of these courses will qualify students for State Certification as a Home Health Aide. Students receiving the certificate of completion will have job entry skills for home health aide.

- AH 180 Fundamentals of Nursing--Convalescent (8 units)
- AH 182 Home Health Aid (2 units)

ROP certificate requirements: 10 units

## Clinical Medical Assisting *ROP Certificate*

Completion of these courses will qualify students for a Certificate of Completion as a Clinical Medical Assistant. Students receiving their certificate will have the job entry skills needed to apply for a clinical medical assistant position.

- AH 170 Basic Clinical Medical Assisting (6 units)
- AH 171 Advanced Clinical Medical Assisting (6 units)

ROP certificate requirements: 12 units

## Licensed Vocational Nursing

### *A.S. Degree and Certificate of Achievement*

Completion of the courses listed will qualify students for the Certificate of Achievement in Vocational Nursing. To qualify for licensing by the Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners a student must have a minimum of 576 lecture hours of instruction and 954 clinical hours of instruction.

Students completing the Vocational Nursing program and passing the National Council Licensure Examination will have job entry skills for Licensed Vocational Nursing. Students planning to enter the LVN Program must be U.S. high school graduates or equivalent (GED or official transcript evaluation) and complete the Allied Health clinical courses. After completing the general education requirements, students will qualify for the Associate of Science Degree.

**Program Learning Outcomes:** After completing this degree or certificate a student will:

- ▶ take and pass the licensure exam.
- ▶ function within the scope of practice of the licensed vocational nurse as outlined by the California Board of Registered Nursing.
- ▶ practice within professional and legal standards, ethical principles and demonstrate sensitivity to the cultural differences of clients.
- ▶ apply principles of oral, written and verbal communication to convey relevant, accurate and complete information.
- ▶ demonstrate an ability to practice safely.
- ▶ apply the nursing process by assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating nursing care, and teaching the maintenance of health and prevention of disease.

### **CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:**

- Prerequisites (34 units) listed on page 64
- Clinical Courses Required for advanced standing (44 units) listed on page 64

### **TOTAL UNITS: 65 PLUS PREREQUISITES (34 UNITS)**

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE:** completion of the certificate REQUIREMENTS plus general education requirements.

**General Education requirements:** A student may complete the Gavilan College A.A./A.S. general education, the CSU-GE Breadth or the IGETC pattern, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60 unit total. See pages 50-57 or see a counselor for details.

**NOTE:** A course may be used to satisfy both general education and major courses. See "Double Counting Rule" on page 47.

