

PRE-NURSING ADVISING GUIDE

Chemeketa offers a two-year, career ladder-nursing program. Completion of the first year of the program qualifies a student to apply for the **National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN)** to be licensed as a practical nurse (LPN). Students who successfully complete the year are allowed the option of continuing into the second year of the program. Students completing second-year coursework are granted an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree and qualify to apply for **the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN)** to be licensed as a registered nurse (RN).

The Nursing Education Program is a fall term entry, limited enrollment program. Admission into Chemeketa's nursing program is competitive. A point system is used to determine who will be selected for the program. The application period for the Nursing Education Program is during the first full week of February each year. Most students enroll in pre-nursing courses for approximately 1 to 2 years prior to submitting a nursing application packet. Enrollment in pre-nursing courses is open to all students.

Steps for enrolling as a **Pre-Nursing** student:

1. Complete the admissions application by [clicking here](#)
2. Begin your [placement assessment](#). Once you fill out the form you may be contacted by our placement office to take the needed placement tests based on your answers.
3. If you would like to have any previous credits transferred into your Chemeketa account to go towards your degree at Chemeketa, please send an [Official Transcript](#) and a [Request for Evaluation and Transfer of Previous Credits](#) form to the [evaluation office](#). The transcript evaluation process can take 6 to 8 weeks. **Please refer to the nursing webpage (<https://www.chemeketa.edu/programs-classes/program-finder/nursing/>) for specific deadlines related to transfer credits.**
4. Have your placement assessment completed before scheduling an appointment with an advisor.
5. Meet with an advisor for advising, please schedule your appointment using Navigate. To access Navigate on a smartphone, download the app from the App Store or Google Play. Search Navigate Student. Once it's downloaded, search Chemeketa and login with your Chemeketa login credentials. To access Navigate on a desktop, visit chemeketa.navigate.eab.com. Log in with your Chemeketa login credentials. Trouble logging in? Email: navigate@chemeketa.edu for help resolving your issues.

Pre-Nursing Coursework

All general education courses listed on the score sheet below must be completed by the end of Winter term 2024 and are required for application.

Anatomy and Physiology courses expire after 7 years; completion of NUR272 will update your anatomy and physiology sequence for Chemeketa's program. There is no time limit for the math requirement. Prerequisites must be completed by the end of the winter term to be counted toward your nursing application. Students with expired BI231, BI232, and BI233 courses should talk to an advisor regarding taking the NUR272 Pathophysiology for Nurses to refresh these courses. Students with expired A & P courses from another institution must have the official transcript evaluation **COMPLETED** in order to register for NUR272 Pathophysiology for Nurses. Please keep in mind that the evaluation process can take 6-8 weeks to complete. In addition to the four prerequisite courses, **pre-nursing students should complete all general education and science requirements in order to enhance their chances of being selected for the Nursing Program**. These are the courses that **are awarded points**. All courses must be completed with a "C" grade or better and must be completed by the end of the winter term to be awarded points for fall admission.

In addition to the general education requirements for the Chemeketa Associate Degree in Nursing, there are other courses that may be required for graduation with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. It is recommended to discuss all of your goals and plan in advance for those. Some additional courses include WR122, NFM225, BI234, and MTH243.

PRE-NURSING WORKSHOPS (free but advance sign-up requested)

Online Workshop	October 17th, 2023, 6:00 PM	(Register for Fall CRN:44780)
Online Workshop	January 23rd, 2024, 6:00 PM	(Register for Winter CRN:65167)

For special accommodations contact Accessibility Services, 399-5192 (voice/TTY), at least two weeks in advance. Chemeketa Community College is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution.

ONE SHOULD NEVER WAIT UNTIL THE FINAL DAYS OF THE APPLICATION PERIOD TO BEGIN ACCUMULATING NECESSARY APPLICATION MATERIALS. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO READ COMPLETELY AND THOROUGHLY ALL APPLICATION INFORMATION.

For Questions concerning the nursing application process, please email mike.zunin@chemeketa.edu, or erika.coker@chemeketa.edu.

Healthcare Certification (Optional)

Healthcare certification and experience is a valuable way for applicants to learn relevant hands-on skills and improve familiarity within a clinical setting. Applicants with an active healthcare certification in an approved field will be **given up to** 20 points when applying to the nursing program at Chemeketa. Students will be given 15 points for the active certification and an additional 5 points if they have worked 75 or more hours in that specific field.

Approved certifications: CNA2, Paramedic, Anesthesia Technician, LPN, Midwife, Advanced EMT, Combat Medic, CAN, EMT Basic or Medical Assistant

Nursing Program Selection Procedure - Point System Worksheet

Chemeketa uses a point system to determine who will be accepted into the Nursing Program. Candidates earning the most points are offered spots in the program. Any course with a "P" (Pass) grade will receive points equivalent to a "C" grade.

Student Nursing Education Score Sheet

Below is a sample of the score sheet used to assess your nursing application materials. This sheet is informational only. Your points will be determined by the Admissions Office, and you will be notified of your **scores via your My Chemeketa e-mail.**

Nursing Application Score Guide					
Residency - Subject to Verification					
Out of State/International		Oregon Resident		Total (10) *	
0 points		10 points			
Biology Courses --12 CR		C- to C+ (40 points)	B- to A+ (50 points)		Total (150) *
BI231					
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General Education Courses		C- to C+ (20 points)	B- to B+ (22.5 points)	A- to A+ (25 points)	Total (150) *
MTH095 or higher – 4 CR					
WR121, WR122, WR123 or WR227 – 4 CR Option: One 4 credit course or a combination of the above course to total 4 credits. In the case of using a combination, grades will be averaged.					
PSY201 – 4 CR Option: A 3 credit PSY201 may be used in combination with a 3 credits PSY202. The grades will be averaged.					
PSY237 – 4 CR					
*General Education Elective-4 CR see next page.					
*One Additional Elective - 3 CR see next page.					
Accepted Healthcare Certifications - optional		15 points			Total (15) *
CNA, CNA2, Paramedic, LPN, Advanced EMT, Combat Medic, EMT Basic, Medical Assistant, Mental Health Therapist					
Work Experience (within the last 3 years)		5 points			Total (5) *
75+ hours					
Kaplan Pre-nursing Exam		A score out of 50 possible points			Total (50) *
Any course with a "P" (Pass) grade will receive points equivalent to a "C" grade.					
Total Points (380= Maximum)					

*Denotes category total

General Electives

Curriculum deviations will not be used in the point assessment if the required program course (above) has been taken, regardless of approval by Dean. Courses must be graded and transcribed on official transcripts submitted by the application deadline to be included in the point assessment.

Options for General Education Electives		
Requirements	Credits	Courses which satisfy requirements
<p>General Education Electives</p> <p><i>A minimum of three credits chosen from one of these three disciplines</i></p>	3/4	<p>Arts and Letters American Sign Language, Art, Communication, English, Film Arts, Foreign Language, Humanities, Journalism, Music, Philosophy, Religious Studies</p> <p>Science/Applied Science Approved program-related instruction may satisfy this requirement, or courses in Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, General Engineering, General Science, Geology, Horticulture, Nutrition and Food Management, Oceanography, Physics</p> <p>Social Science Anthropology, Chicano/Latino Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Human Development and Family Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Social Science, Sociology, Women’s Studies</p>
<p>Additional General Education</p> <p><i>A minimum of three additional credits from any of these areas</i></p>	3/4	<p>Arts and Letters American Sign Language, Art, Communication, English, Film Arts, Foreign Language, Humanities, Journalism, Music, Philosophy, Religious Studies</p> <p>English as a Non-Native Language** Any course with an ENL prefix</p> <p>Health and Human Performance/Physical Education Any course with an HE, HPE, or PE prefix</p> <p>Mathematics Any course with a MTH prefix</p> <p>Reading** Any course with an RD prefix</p> <p>Science/Applied Science Approved program-related instruction may satisfy this requirement, or courses in Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, General Engineering, General Science, Geology, Horticulture, Nutrition and Food Management, Oceanography, Physics</p> <p>Social Science Anthropology, Chicano/Latino Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Human Development and Family Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Social Science, Sociology, Women’s Studies</p> <p>Study Skills** Any course with an SSP prefix</p> <p>Writing** Any course with a WR prefix</p>
<p>Notes:</p> <p>1. We recommend that you see an advisor for guidance before you enroll.</p> <p>2. Only courses numbered 050 or higher—unless otherwise indicated—apply toward the degree.</p> <p>*Indicates a course prerequisite or requirement related to the course. For further information contact your program advisor or college advisor.</p> <p>**Courses must be 100 level or higher.</p>		