# NURSING - LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) 30-UNIT OPTION -NONDEGREE

#### Technology and Health Division Nondegree

The Mt. San Antonio College LVN 30 Unit Non-Degree Option is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing. This option or track is designed to prepare students to give direct nursing care to clients in various practice settings. This track consists of coursework in nursing, science, general education, and clinical nursing practice at local hospitals and health agencies. Completers of this track are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination leading to licensure as a Registered Nurse and if successful may be licensed in the state of California with a non-degree license. Nursing Applications are accepted twice a year for the Fall and Spring semesters via an on-line application process. Enrollment in the Mt San Antonio College LVN 30-unit non-degree option to Registered Nursing Program is open to persons regardless of sex, age, marital status, disability, ethnic group, religion, or national origin.

The California Board of Registered Nursing (section 1429) Rules and Regulations allows completion of this option and entitles the student to apply for examination for licensure as a Registered Nurse in the State of California. This option is specifically designed for California licensees. Other states do not have this provision in their laws; therefore, endorsement for licensure may not be granted.

The student who elects to complete the 30-Unit Option non-degree track is not a graduate of the Associate in Science Degree Nursing Program at Mt. San Antonio College. Individuals who complete this track are not eligible to return to the college at a later date to complete a degree in nursing. LVN applicants must declare their educational goal at the time of application (30-Unit non-degree or Associate Degree). This decision is not subject to change at a later date.

# **Prerequisite Courses**

The following prerequisites must be completed prior to applying to the Nursing –LVN 30-unit Option. **These courses cannot be in progress.** 

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
Select one of the following sequences:		8-10
ANAT 10A	Introductory Human Anatomy	
or ANAT 35	Human Anatomy	
ANAT 10B	Introductory Human Physiology	
or ANAT 36	Human Physiology	
MICR 1	Principles of Microbiology	4-5
or MICR 22	Microbiology	
PSYC 1A	Introduction to Psychology	3
or PSYC 1AH	Introduction to Psychology - Honors	

# **Non-Course Requirements**

- a. An overall grade point average of 2.5 for the Human Anatomy, Human Physiology and Microbiology prerequisite courses with no grade less than a "C" for each course and no more than one repetition of any one of these courses. A "C- (minus)"from other institutions for course majors is not accepted.
- b. Science courses (Human Anatomy, Human Physiology and Microbiology) cannot be older than 7 years at time of application.

- c. All courses for the major must have no grade less than a "C" for each course to meet the graduation criteria. A "C- (minus)"from other institutions for course majors is not accepted.
- d. Cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 for all college coursework completed.
- e. Eligibility for MATH 110 or MATH 130.
- f. High school graduation or GED or academic degree from an accredited college/university in the United States.

## **Required Courses**

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or ANAT 36	Human Physiology	
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or MICR 22	Microbiology	
NURS 5	Psychiatric Nursing	2.5
NURS 8	Medical-Surgical Nursing: Circulation and Oxygenation	
NURS 10	Medical-Surgical Nursing: Integration/Regulation	3
NURS 11	Preceptorship in Nursing	2
PSYC 1A	Introduction to Psychology	3
or PSYC 1AH	Introduction to Psychology - Honors	
Total Units		26.5-29.5

#### SELECTION PROCESS

Students applying for admission to the LVN 30 Unit Option Nursing Program are required to see either a counselor or educational advisor to verify their eligibility to enter the Nursing program.

#### Procedure:

Students must complete all course prerequisites prior to requesting an appointment for certifying readiness to enter into the Nursing program. Once eligibility has been established and the Admission Assessment Test has been passed, students will enter on a first come first served basis.

### The Eligibility Appointment:

- Once a student has completed all course prerequisites, they may request an appointment with a counselor or educational advisor to complete the career mobility eligibility form.
- 2. Students who have completed coursework at other colleges must bring the following information to their eligibility appointment:
  - a. Official transcripts of all college work completed at all colleges.
  - b. If the prerequisite courses were completed at another college, a course description and a copy of the course syllabus should be included in the documentation for eligibility.
  - c. Students completing college coursework outside of the United States will need to have their transcripts evaluated by an approved international transcript evaluation agency and must bring the final evaluation to their appointment (students may be able to obtain a list of agencies from the Admissions & Records Office).
  - d. Due to specific college deadlines for International Student application, please inform the Counseling/Educational Advisor that this applies to you.

 All students will need to bring official proof of high school graduation, GED, or college graduation from an accredited institution in the United States.

Students should also be aware that once they have been admitted to the LVN 30 Unit Option Nursing program and before beginning the clinical portion of the program, they will need to be able to pass a criminal background check, including screening by the Office of Inspector General for welfare or Social Security fraud, as well as testing negative for drug use.

ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO MEET THE ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS FOR SUCCESS IN THE NURSING PROGRAM.

## **Physical Demands:**

- Perform prolonged, extensive, or considerable standing/walking, lifting positioning, pushing, and/or transferring patients
- Possess the ability to perform fine motor movements with hands and fingers
- Possess the ability for extremely heavy effort (lift/carry 50 lbs. or more)
- Perform considerable reaching, stooping, bending, kneeling, and crouching.

## **Sensory Demands:**

(May be corrected with adaptive devices)

- · Color vision: the ability to distinguish and identify colors.
- · Distance vision: the ability to see clearly 20 feet or more
- · Depth perception: the ability to judge distance and space relationships
- · Near vision: the ability to see clearly 20 inches or less
- Hearing: able to recognize a full range of tones

## **Working Environment:**

- May be exposed to infectious and contagious diseases, without prior notification
- · Regularly exposed to the risk of blood-borne diseases
- · Exposed to hazardous agents, body fluids, and wastes
- Exposed to odorous chemicals and specimens
- · Subject to hazards of flammable, explosive gases
- · Subject to burns and cuts
- Contact with patients having different religious, culture, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, psychological and physical disabilities, and under a wide variety of circumstances
- · Handle emergency or crisis situations
- · Subject to many interruptions
- · Requires judgment/action which could result in death of a patient
- · Exposed to products containing latex

# **English Language Skills:**

Although proficiency in English is not a criterion for admission into the nursing program, students are encouraged to be able to speak, write and read English to complete classes successfully and to ensure safety for themselves and for others.

## **REGARDING LICENSURE**

The California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) protects the consumer by screening applicants for licensure in order to identify potentially unsafe practitioners. The BRN may deny applications for interim permits, temporary licenses, and permanent licensure, if the applicant has been found guilty of dishonesty, fraud or deceit, felony child abuse, sex offender crimes, acts involving narcotics, dangerous drugs or devices, assault and/or battery, and other crimes. Applicants who have questions regarding limitations related to licensure, should contact the California Board of Registered Nursing at (916) 322-3350 or access its website at www.rn.ca.gov (http://www.rn.ca.gov/).

### **Contact:**

California Board of Registered Nursing 1747 North Market Boulevard, Suite 150 Sacramento, CA 95834 (916) 322-3350 www.rn.ca.gov (http://www.rn.ca.gov/)

# **Program Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will:

- · Be technically competent
- Be employed or seeking employment in the field or a related field
- Demonstrate effective geriatric patient education for a neurological / endocrine patient.

Review Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) (https://www.mtsac.edu/slo/) for this program.