Associate Degree in Nursing

Major Requirements
- NURS 1100 – Professional Nursing Care in Health Promotion
- NURS 1200 – Professional Nursing Care of the Patient with Chronic Illness
- NURS 2300 – Professional Nursing Care of the Patient with Acute Illness
- NURS 2400 – Professional Nursing Care of the Patient with Complex Illness

General education courses:
For A.D.N. students, at least 27 additional credits of general education coursework. See college catalog or website for details.

Admission Requirements
A new class of 32 students is admitted each spring and fall semester. Application dates are posted on the nursing website.

To be eligible for admission into the program the following prerequisites must be met:
- Apply to Casper College
- Be enrolled in or completed with a grade of C or higher:
  - MATH 1400 – Pre-Calculus Algebra
  - ENG 1010 – English I: Composition
  - HMDV 1300 – OnCourse
  - HLTK 1300 – Nursing Boot Camp
  - ZOO 2040 and 2041 – Human Anatomy and lab within the last five years
- Grade point average of 2.5 or higher for all courses taken towards the A.D.N.
- Achieve a “Proficient” level or higher on the Test of Essentials of Academic Skills, TEAS®, assessment.

Interested students are encouraged to review the “Guide to ReNew Associate Degree Nursing Education,” located on the college nursing website, for further admission instructions and a complete description of the degree requirements.

For more info., contact:
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Saunders Health Science Center, Rm. 105
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Casper College seeks to provide an environment that is free of bias, discrimination and harassment. If you have been the victim of sexual harassment/gender or sex discrimination/sexual misconduct/assault we encourage you to report this. If you report this to an employee, she or he must notify our college’s Title IX Coordinator, Linda Toohey, associate vice president for student services, 125 College Drive, GW 412, Casper, WY 82001; 307-268-2667; linda.toohey@caspercollege.edu about the basic facts of the incident. Employee concerns should be directed to the human resources director. For more information about your options, please go to caspercollege.edu/nondiscrimination.
Nursing

What is a Nurse?

Nurses are often the first caregiver a person encounters when injured or in need of medical attention. Ask a student why they want to be a nurse and often you will hear a story about an experience when they or a loved one was cared for by a nurse who went the extra mile for that patient. Through outstanding instruction, state-of-the-art clinical and simulation labs, and superb clinical rotations, our students build a broad-based knowledge in nursing care.

Job Outlook for RNs

Nursing has an excellent outlook for the future! Nearly one out of eight Americans is older than 65 – a number that is going to grow. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, a 16 percent increase in the number of nursing jobs is expected between now and 2024. Graduates of our program often have multiple job offers before they graduate. According to O*NET OnLine, salaries for nurses range from $44,020-$101,630 per year.

Degree Programs

The H.E. Stuckenhoff Department of Nursing at Casper College offers an Associate Degree in Nursing (A.D.N.) which takes two years to complete upon admission into the program.

ReNEW Curriculum

The Casper College Nursing program has joined with the other community college programs and the University of Wyoming to offer a state-wide nursing curriculum. The ReNEW (Revolutionizing Nursing Education in Wyoming) curriculum is a baccalaureate curriculum with an Associate Degree in Nursing (A.D.N.) benchmark. Graduates with the A.D.N. are eligible to take the national licensure exam (NCLEX-RN) and begin working as a registered nurse. If prerequisites and other requirements have been met, they may continue toward their B.S.N. in two additional semesters through UW online classes.

Points of Pride

• A 1:8 faculty-to-student ratio in clinical
• A 1:16 faculty-to-student ratio in the classroom
• Qualified nursing faculty and staff committed to facilitate your educational goals
• A wide variety of clinical experiences within a 10-mile radius, including community sites, rehabilitation, long-term care, progressive care, pediatrics, obstetrics, medical-surgical, psychiatric, neurological, and others
• Classrooms equipped for multimedia presentations, and instructors who use a variety of student-centered instructional methods to facilitate critical thinking and learning
• A set of labs equipped with up-to-date equipment
• A multimedia computer lab for student use
• Learning materials from Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI), a nationally-recognized review system, and Pearson’s MyNursingLab® and The Neighborhood to enhance learning
• We have a proven record – our nursing graduates have gone to work all over the country in many different specialty areas
• The state-of-the-art Casper College Health Science Simulation Center to supplement classroom and clinical experiences and provide interprofessional educational opportunities
• Nursing classroom tests are computerized in preparation for the NCLEX-RN
• An NCLEX-RN live review is offered upon completion of the program

What Does it Take to be Successful in Nursing?

Nursing requires very special talents and skills. Classroom and clinical education is rigorous and challenging. “Wanting” to be a nurse and to take care of others isn’t enough. Successful students have strengths in mathematics, laboratory sciences, and other general education courses. They are focused on building a foundation of learning that will be continued for a lifetime. Successful candidates for a career in nursing should be able to:

• Communicate clearly, effectively, and professionally
• Transfer knowledge from the classroom to the practicum experiences
• Demonstrate organizational skills
• Manage multiple priorities
• Think clearly and logically, even in stressful situations
• Show good judgment
• Work well with others
• Understand delegation roles
• Consistently demonstrate honesty and integrity
• Put the needs of the client first