

# NURSING SCIENCE, ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

Students who complete the Associate Degree in Nursing Science Program will acquire the knowledge and skills of the five critical competencies of safety/technical, critical thinking/clinical reasoning, communication, responsibility/accountability, and organization/prioritization. These competencies are essential to the function of the Registered Nurse in the direct care of patients.

To earn an Associate in Science Degree with a major in Nursing, students complete prerequisite courses, 36 nursing specific units and General Education Degree Requirements. These major requirements cover the core areas of Nursing, courses necessary for licensure, as well as the students' choice in preparation for the Registered Nurse licensing exam and/or transfer to an institution to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree.

Upon completion of the Nursing Science Program, students will be eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination leading to licensure as a Registered Nurse. The student must have fulfilled all requirements as defined by the California State Board of Registered Nursing.

The Nursing Science Program is approved by the California State Board of Registered Nursing (BRN). Contact information for BRN: P.O. Box 944210, Sacramento, California 94244-2100 ([www.rn.ca.gov](http://www.rn.ca.gov) (<http://www.rn.ca.gov>)).

The Associate Degree nursing program at Moorpark College located in Moorpark, California is accredited by the:

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)  
3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400  
Atlanta, GA 30326  
(404) 975-5000  
[www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org) (<http://www.acenursing.org>)

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the Associate Degree nursing program is Continuing Accreditation. View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding the program at <http://www.acenursing.us/accreditedprograms/programSearch.htm>

The Moorpark College Associate Degree Nursing Program meets the state education requirements for a Registered Nursing license in the state of California. Moorpark College has not determined if the Associate Degree Nursing Program at Moorpark College meets the state education requirements in any other state, any U.S. Territory, or the District of Columbia.

In addition to General Education degree requirements, complete the following:

Course ID	Title	Units/ Hours
General Education		
<b>Required Courses</b>		
NS M01	Beginning Nursing Science	4
NS M01L	Beginning Nursing Lab I	4.5
NS M02	Intermediate Nursing Science I	5
NS M02L	Intermediate Nursing Lab I	4.5

NS M03	Intermediate Nursing Science II	5
NS M03L	Intermediate Nursing Science Clinical Laboratory II	4.5
NS M04	Advanced Nursing Science	4
NS M04L	Advanced Nursing Science Clinical Laboratory	4.5

**Total Required Major Units: 36**

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## Supplemental Courses <sup>1</sup>

NS M11	Nursing Skills Laboratory I	1
NS M12	Nursing Skills Laboratory II	1
NS M13	Nursing Skills Laboratory III	1
NS M14	Nursing Skills Laboratory IV	1
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>4</b>

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Recommended but not required for degree.

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## MC General Education Pattern: 28

Double-Counted Units: 0

Electives to meet 60 CSU units: 0

**Total Required for the AS Degree: 64**

### Year 1

Fall Semester		Units/Hours
NS M01	Beginning Nursing Science	4
NS M01L	Beginning Nursing Lab I	4.5
<b>Units/Hours</b>		<b>8.5</b>

### Spring Semester

NS M02	Intermediate Nursing Science I	5
NS M02L	Intermediate Nursing Lab I	4.5
<b>Units/Hours</b>		<b>9.5</b>

### Year 2

Fall Semester		
NS M03	Intermediate Nursing Science II	5
NS M03L	Intermediate Nursing Science Clinical Laboratory II	4.5
<b>Units/Hours</b>		<b>9.5</b>

### Spring Semester

NS M04	Advanced Nursing Science	4
NS M04L	Advanced Nursing Science Clinical Laboratory	4.5
<b>Units/Hours</b>		<b>8.5</b>
<b>Total Units/Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- ensure safety and perform technical skills that lead to high quality patient-centered care.
- demonstrate critical thinking and clinical reasoning skills that lead to safe, high quality patient-centered care.
- demonstrate effective communication skills that lead to safe, high quality patient-centered care.
- demonstrate responsibility and accountability in providing safe, high quality patient-centered care.

- demonstrate proficient organization and prioritization skills in providing safe, high quality patient-centered care.