



# Nursing – RN Degree

## Itasca Community College A.A.– St. Scholastica R.N.

Nursing is a growing profession, having grown by 24 percent in the last ten years with no let up in employment opportunities. The need for registered nurses (RNs) is expected to grow by 25 percent by the year 2005 (according to the Department of Health and Human Services). Registered Nurses find personal satisfaction by using their knowledge and skills to help people, while at the same time, having a highly respected career with a good income and opportunities for advancement.

A nursing education provides highly versatile skills such as critical thinking, decision-making and customer service, which can lead to exciting jobs in all kinds of organizations. The range of positions available to RNs involves not only direct patient care, but also roles such as educators, researchers, entrepreneurs, managers, and corporate board members, and healthcare policymakers.

This is an opportunity to attend classes at Itasca Community College, earn an Associate of Arts degree from ICC, and then transfer to The College of St. Scholastica to complete a baccalaureate (BA) degree in Nursing.

In addition to the counseling provided by Itasca Community College, St. Scholastica will have a nursing advisor travel periodically to ICC to meet and help prepare students to enter The College of St. Scholastica and to finalize admission into the nursing program at the College.

### FRESHMAN

				<u>Fall</u>					<u>Spring</u>
* Biol	1201	Gen. Biol. I	4	* Biol	1111	Microbiology	3		
Engl	1101	Expos. Writing	3	Engl	1113	Research Wr.	4		
CSci	1120	Intro. to Comp.	3	Math	1105	Elem. Statistics	4		
Spch	1105	Fund. of Pub. Spk	3	Soc	1101	Intro. to Soc	3		
Psyc	1101	Gen Psych	3	English Literature elective (meet goal		3			
PE elective			1	F & H in the MTC curriculum)					
				<b>17</b>					<b>17</b>

<u>Summer Session after 1<sup>st</sup> Year</u>			
<b>C.N.A. coursework suggestions</b>			
* PRNU	1101	Nurs Asst 80-hr. course	3
PRNU	1103	Home Hlth Aid 18-hr. course	1
			<b>4</b>

### SOPHMORE

* Biol	2101	Hum Anat/Phys I	4	* Biol	2102	Hum Anat/Phys II	4		
* Chem	1101	Fund. of Chem. I	4	* Hlth	1202	Nutrition	3		
Phil	1121	Am. Ind. Phil.	3	Hlth		CPR	1		
PE	1201	Wellness	2	* Psyc	2123	Ind. Hlpg. Skills	3		
* Psyc	1201	Hum Grth/Dvlpmnt.	3	Humanities (Category 2 in MTC)		3			
				<b>16</b>					<b>14</b>

\* These courses or their equivalent are required for entry into the nursing major.

**NOTE:** Students must also complete NSG 2210 Foundations of Professional Nursing at CSS before being accepted to the CSS nursing program as a junior.

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**Additional Nursing requirements:**

1. Required health immunizations and physical exam.
2. Background check.
3. Pre-major math and writing assessment. (This test is different from ICC's assessment. This will be given prior to junior year at CSS.)

**Admission Requirements:** Students should know that admission to the CSS nursing program is on a competitive basis. While completing the A.A. degree at ICC, students must have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA and have maintained a minimum of a "B" in all pre-requisite nursing courses in order to meet candidacy requirements for the CSS nursing program.

Selection for admission into the program is based on several criteria including GPA, application essay, and progression in NSG 2210 course.

Students should apply during the fall of their sophomore year. Students are also encouraged to visit CSS and meet with their nursing faculty.

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