

MUS 225 Piano Skills II (5)

2 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: A minimum grade of 'C' in MUS 119 or the passing of equivalency test**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Continuation of piano techniques with emphasis on improvised accompaniments, sight reading, ensemble playing, pedaling, and practice techniques.

MUS 227 Accompanying Ensemble (1)

3 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: A minimum grade of 'C' in MUS 225 or the passing of equivalency test**Transfer acceptability:** CSU

Techniques of, and practical experience in, piano accompaniment for ensembles, vocalists, and instrumentalists.

MUS 250 Choral Conducting (1)

1 hour lecture

Prerequisite: A minimum grade of 'C' in MUS 105 or experience in conducting choirs**Transfer acceptability:** CSU

Practical conducting methods for choral musicians. Discussion and study of issues concerning musical rehearsal and performance with treble, SAB and SATB choral ensembles.

MUS 251 Master Class in Keyboard Literature, Analysis and Performance (.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 3)

½, 1, 1½, 2, or 3 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: A minimum grade of 'C' in MUS 225 or the passing of equivalency test**Transfer acceptability:** CSU

Survey of keyboard literature presented in a master class format. Analysis of styles and techniques of solo and ensemble performances.

MUS 297 Experimental Topics in Music (.5 -3)

Units awarded in topics courses are dependent upon the number of hours required of the student. Any number of laboratory hours may be scheduled by the department. Refer to Class Schedule.

Prerequisite: Enrollment subject to project approval.**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC - credit determined by UC upon review of course syllabus.

Advanced music projects including individual research, tutoring and performance for college classes and community projects.

Networking

See CSIT - Networking

Nursing Education (NURS)

Contact the Nursing Education Department for additional information.

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For transfer information, consult a Palomar College Counselor.

Associate in Arts (AA) Degree:

AA Degree requirements are listed in Section 6 (green pages).

- Nursing

Associate in Science (AS) Degree:

- Nursing

The Associate Degree Nursing program is accredited by both the California Board of Registered Nursing and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), Peachtree Rd. NE, Suite 850 Atlanta, GA 30326, 1-404-975-5000.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Associate Degree Nursing program prepares graduates to provide direct nursing care to patients in hospitals and other health agencies at a staff nurse level. The curriculum consists of coursework in nursing, general education, and clinical nursing practice in local hospitals and other health agencies. The Nursing faculty of the College is directly responsible for all phases of the program.

Palomar College has two Associate Degree options available in Nursing. The difference

in the coursework between the two options is in the GE requirements, which are described in more detail in the programs of study on the following pages. The Associate in Arts (AA) in Nursing Degree meets the requirements of Title V and the Board of Registered Nursing (BRN). The Associate in Science (AS) in Nursing Degree meets the requirements of Title V, Board of Registered Nursing (BRN), and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

Admission to the nursing program is by special application. To be eligible for consideration, applicants must (1) be eligible for admission to Palomar College; (2) attend a Nursing Orientation meeting; (3) submit proof of high school graduation or equivalency or higher; (4) have a GPA of 2.5 in prerequisite sciences; (5) pass the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), version V, with a composite score of at least 62%; and (6) submit a completed application along with the required documentation.

LICENSURE: Upon successful completion of either the Associate in Arts (AA) in Nursing Degree or the Associate in Science (AS) in Nursing Degree, students will be eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX RN). If performance on the examination is successful, they will be licensed as a registered nurse.

Students who are LVNs and who are electing the Non-Degree 30 Unit Option, as well as students who do not complete the requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) or the Associate in Science (AS) in Nursing but who successfully complete the required nursing and support courses, are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX RN) as a NON-DEGREE Candidate. If successful, they will be licensed as a RN by the California Board of Registered Nursing. Endorsement of a non-degree graduate RN in other states is not guaranteed because these regulations are unique to California. ONCE THE LICENSING EXAM IS TAKEN, STATUS CANNOT BE CHANGED FROM NON-DEGREE TO DEGREE REGARDLESS OF SUBSEQUENT DEGREES EARNED.

CREDIT BY TRANSFER: Students who have been enrolled in an accredited Registered Nursing program within the last two years may receive full credit for courses transferred which are, as evaluated by the Palomar College Nursing Education Department faculty, comparable to courses offered by the College. If courses transferred are found not to be comparable, students may challenge Palomar courses for credit.

CREDIT BY EXAMINATION: Academic credit by examination may be obtained by those whose prior education and/or experience provides the knowledge and skills required to meet the objectives of one or more courses. Students who believe they may be eligible for credit by examination should contact the Nursing Education Department for an appointment for special advising prior to submitting their application for admission to the program. For College policy regarding credit by examination, consult "Credit by Examination" in the Academic Regulations and Standards section of this catalog.

Upon completion of the eligibility requirements, separate theory and clinical performance examinations will be administered for courses with a laboratory component. A written patient care plan is required in all appropriate theory and clinical courses. Completion of the written work with a grade of 'C' or better is required prior to taking the clinical examination. Courses without a lab component will have a written examination only. A grade of 'C' or better must be achieved. The Nursing Education Department's Credit by Examination Policy may be obtained from the Nursing Education Department Office. A maximum of 20 units may be obtained through credit by examination.