

Nursing, Professional

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Read about the Nursing Program Receives Reaccreditation.



HEALTHCARE INFORMATION SESSIONS

Want to learn more about this program and other healthcare programs at CWI? Join a Healthcare Information Session to learn about the programs, what you can do to prepare for the programs, meet advisors and instructors, and ask questions.

[View Upcoming Sessions](#)



APPLICATION PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS

The application period is closed for the Fall 2022 start.

Classes beginning Aug. 2023 - Application period opens Jan. 2, 2023, and closes, March 31, 2023, at 4 p.m.

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Application Process

It is recommended to attend a Healthcare Information Session and watch the Professional Nursing Program overview video.

1. Complete CWI Associate Degree or Technical Certificate application and be accepted to CWI.
 - o If you have completed a bachelor's or master's degree, submit a Bachelor's Degree Transfer Credit Request form in advance of applying for the program.
2. Verify your coursework by:
 - o Reviewing the program Plan of Study on the Requirements Tab
 - o View Your Progress on my.cwi.edu (Learn How)
3. Schedule and complete the Kaplan Nursing Admissions Exam with a passing score at a CWI Assessment and Testing Center in advance of submitting the program application.
4. Complete the Professional Nursing Program Application and submit it with professional references by the due date.

Professional Nursing Program Application

Professional Nursing Reference Form

Application Help

The Professional Nursing program and Student Success Advising at CWI went through the application process and provided answers to questions during a March 16, 2022, webinar. A video is available from the program and advising to help. [Nursing Application Video](#)

For help or questions regarding the Professional Nursing Program Application, please contact your Academic Advisor, or the Professional Nursing Department Chair:

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Note for Future Applicants

Applications for the Fall 2024 Professional Nursing program start will no longer include points for the following courses, Pathophysiology, Fundamentals of Nutrition, or Medical Terminology.



STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION

The Associate of Science nursing program at the College of Western Idaho at the Canyon County Campus located in Nampa Idaho is accredited by the:

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400
Atlanta, GA 30326

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MISSION

The mission of the ASN program at CWI is to prepare graduates to practice safe, competent, patient-centered care in a complex and rapidly changing health care system; providing a foundation for individual advancement, developing nursing leaders, and contributing to Idaho's prosperity.

WHY THIS PROGRAM

This program will prepare you to become licensed to practice nursing by providing you with a combination of theory and laboratory instruction as well as clinical experience in the area's healthcare facilities. This program is approved by the Idaho State Board of Nursing, and upon satisfactory completion of the program, you will be eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN. Upon passing this exam, you will be licensed to practice nursing as a registered nurse. May 2020 graduates: 89.50% pass rate May 2019 graduates: 96.55% pass rate May 2018 graduates: 96.55% pass rate May 2017 graduates: 95.00% pass rate May 2016 graduates: 97.50% pass rate May 2015 graduates: 92.50% pass rate

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN TO DO

- Human flourishing is difficult to define, but can loosely be expressed as an effort to achieve self-actualization and fulfillment within the context of a larger community of individuals, each with a right to pursue his or her own such efforts.
- Nursing judgment encompasses three processes: namely critical thinking, clinical judgment and integration of best evidence into practice.
- Critical thinking means identifying, evaluating, and using evidence to guide decision-making by means of logic and reasoning.
- Professional Identity involves the internalization of core values and perspectives recognized as integral to the art and science of nursing. These core values become self-evident as the nurse learns, gains experience, and grows in the profession.
- A Spirit of Inquiry is the persistent sense of curiosity that informs both learning and practice. A nurse infused by a spirit of inquiry will raise questions, challenge traditional and existing practices, and seek creative approaches to problems.

STUDENT CLUBS



Student Nurses Association

The Student Nurses Association (SNA) at College of Western Idaho aims to bring together nursing students preparing for initial licensure as registered nurses. SNA promotes development of the skills students will need as responsible and...

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Professional Nursing - Associate of Science Degree, 36

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Months

Delivery Formats: In-Person

CAREER INFORMATION

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Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree recipients, upon passing the NCLEX-RN exam, are qualified to work as a registered nurse in any structured healthcare setting. Those opportunities include: hospitals, rehabilitation centers, long-term care facilities, physician offices or clinics, home-health and/or any aspect of direct care for patients.

PROFESSIONS

- Registered Nurse

LOCATIONS

Canyon County Center Canyon County Center

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