

College of Western Idaho

Associate of Science in Nursing Program- Fact Sheet

State Approval and National Accreditation Information:

- Idaho State Board of Nursing (SBON)

<https://ibn.idaho.gov/>

- Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)

www.acenursing.org

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About the Nursing Program

The College of Western Idaho Associate of Science Degree Nursing (ASN) Program provides students with the opportunity to learn the skills needed to care for patients of all ages in a variety of healthcare settings. Although our students learn the technical nursing skills used to provide safe and effective patient care, a major emphasis is placed on the development of critical thinking and professionalism. Due to the fast pace and heavy academic demands, our Nursing Program requires a **full-time commitment**. Students are encouraged to carefully consider the time commitment for classes, study, family life, travel and other life responsibilities prior to scheduling outside employment. It is strongly recommended students not work more than 20 hours per week. Our program is rigorous and offers theoretical and applied instruction in classroom, simulated laboratories, and clinical settings.

The ability to synthesize information and then implement it in both in an academic and clinical setting is key to success in this program. The ASN program consists of a progressive sequence of nursing courses that build upon each other. To be successful in this program, it is crucial that students understand the importance of retaining knowledge gained in both, general education courses and nursing courses.

Degree Awarded

- Graduates of the CWI Associate Degree Nursing Program earn an Associate of Science (AS) degree with a Nursing Major
- Graduates are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination - Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN)

RN to BSN Transition

The majority of students who successfully complete the CWI ASN program choose to continue their education and earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN). We have several academic partners who offer RN-BSN Transition options.

CWI Nursing Program General Education Requirements

<https://catalog.cwi.edu>

Specific Nursing Program Coursework

First Semester:

- NUR 100 Fundamentals of Nursing – 3 credits
- NUR 103 Basic Nursing Skills Lab – 3 credits

Second Semester:

- NUR 104 Basic Medical Surgical Nursing – 3 credits
- NUR 105 Basic Medical Surgical Nursing Clinical– 3 credits
- NUR 106 Pharmacology -3 credits

Third Semester:

- NUR 200 Nursing Specialties – 4 credits
- NUR 201 Nursing Specialties Clinical – 2 credits

Fourth Semester:

- NUR 202 Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing- 4 credits
- NUR 203 Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing Clinical (including preceptorship) – 4 credits

Clinical Site Requirements

Clinical rotations may vary between shifts and include weekends. **Clinical placements may be in OR out of the Treasure Valley. The student must make necessary accommodations in order to attend clinical during scheduled timeframes. Students are responsible for their own transportation to clinical sites.** Clinical sites retain the right to deny a student access to their facility based on the results of additional required fingerprinting, drug screens, and/or background checks. In the event a student is denied access to a clinical site, the student may be unable to complete the course requirements, successfully pass the course, and/or graduate.