Vocational Nurse (VN) Program Prerequisites/Requirements

All students are advised to meet with a Counselor regarding Certificate and/or Degree requirements

Program Prerequisites	Course #	Units	Complete PRIOR to Program Prerequisites
Human Anatomy Physiology	BIOL 260 BIOL 261	4 w/lab 4 w/lab	Required before BIOL 260: BIOL 100 & 101 or equivalent. Required before BIOL 261: CHEM 100 or 102 or 170 or equivalent; BIOL 260 or equivalent.
Principles of Child Dev.	CD 170	3	None
Fundamentals of Nutrition	HLTH 204	3	None
*Intermediate Algebra I (or) Elementary Statistics	*MATH 60 (or) MATH 119 (or) Equivalent	4	*MATH 60 has been discontinued and no longer offered as of Summer 2023 but will be accepted if previously taken. Required before MATH 119: Intermediate algebra proficiency, as determined through the Southwestern College Multiple Measures Process.
College Composition	ENGL 115 (or) Equivalent	4	Placement through the Southwestern College multiple measures placement process.
Certified Nursing Assistant	CNA Certification	8.5	Active certification or license (from CA): Corpsman, Medical Assistant, EMT, Patient Care Technician, ER Technician, Home Health Aide; Psychiatric Tech. or Paramedic (active, unexpired).

G.P.A. for prerequisites and TEAS test score will be considered for program admission

◆ TEAS test: A composite score of 58% is the minimum passing score accepted for admission to the VN Program. Applicants who do not meet the minimum passing score may re-take the TEAS test only once.
Regardless of TEAS Version (6 or 7), test score must be within the last three years (*Effective 6/2021).
Visit TEAS Testing page on the (www.swccd.edu/nursing) for TEAS policy, updates and Remediation Plan.

♦ 30 students accepted every 18 months

♦ 39.5 units

◆ Estimate total cost: \$6284

Application period for Fall 2024: Monday, March 4, 2024, through Friday, April 12, 2024

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