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COS Nursing Program Announces Applications for 2022-2023 Cohort Available Online

Weed / COS - College of the Siskiyous offers a three semester Vocational Nursing program designed to prepare students for beginning practice in nursing care. Theory content provides each student with a basic understanding of the roles and responsibilities of vocational nurses in providing health care to all age groups. After course completion and licensure, students are prepared practice licensed vocational nursing in a variety of health care settings.

The next application period for the COS Vocational Nursing program will be September 27 through October 8, 2021 for the 2022-23 cohort that is set to begin in spring 2022. In addition to the college application, a special nursing program application (<https://www.siskiyous.edu/cte/nurs/documents/lvnapplication.pdf>) is required. Only complete applications will be accepted. All applications must be postmarked by the deadline. Applicants to the LVN Program must meet pre-requisite and other degree requirements before application is submitted. Students must supply documentation that all requirements have been met. Official transcripts are required. For questions about pre-requisites, contact the Counseling office by calling (530) 938-5353 or send an email to counselingservices@siskiyous.edu. Applicants can also connect with counseling staff on Zoom through the [Counseling web page](#).

Applicants must retain copies of all submitted documents. It is the student's responsibility to confirm that all documents have been received by the program. All candidates are required to complete a background check prior to admission into the program, and after graduation before applying for licensure. For more information about Nursing at College of the Siskiyous visit the webpage <https://www.siskiyous.edu/cte/nurs/> or call (530)841-5929.

Mission: The mission of the COS Vocational Nursing program is to prepare qualified students to be Licensed Vocational Nurses as providers of care across the health/illness continuum and as contributing members of the nursing profession. The program will enable the graduate to apply for the licensing examination for Licensed Vocational Nurses (NCLEX-PN).

Philosophy: The Vocational Nursing program is based on the precept that nursing supports an individual or family in a movement toward health and that the whole person, including the psychological, social and physical aspects of the person's being, be considered in planning and implementing nursing care.

The educative goal of the Vocational Nursing Program is that upon completion, the nurse will possess a broad base of nursing knowledge, an understanding of nursing principles and the nursing process as well as being able to perform skills and techniques competently. Through a planned course of study, it is expected that the students will develop a sense of ethics and integrity not only for themselves but to the patient, the health care team and to vocational nurses as a group.

Learning is the assimilation of knowledge leading to a change in behavior. In order to learn the student requires reinforcement and the opportunity to actually apply new concepts. Learners experience various learning styles and rates as well as motives and aspirations, and such learning is promoted in an atmosphere that acknowledges such uniqueness. The teaching-learning process is a mutual endeavor. The learner must actively participate and assume responsibility for learning. The teacher not only shares knowledge but actively encourages inquiry, serves as a facilitator, role model and resource person.

Accreditation: The Vocational Nursing program is approved through the California Board of Vocational Nursing.