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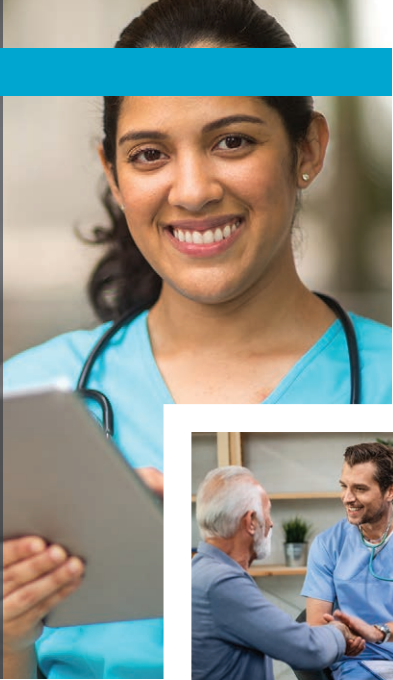
Prepare for a career in healthcare

NURSING

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OVERVIEW

Nursing provides a challenging, respected, versatile and rewarding career in health care. Nurses work in a variety of settings – from homes to hospitals, corporations to clinics, schools to ships, classrooms to courtrooms, rehabilitation to research, travel to trauma, and with all ages, from newborns to seniors. Employment in nursing is expected to increase 16% in the next few years. Nurses are vital in promoting health, wellness, and optimizing the quality of life in the community. Additional benefits in a career in nursing include job security, competitive salaries, and potential for advancement.



SKILLS & ABILITIES

- Empathy and concern for others
- Strong communication skills (written and verbal)
- Interpersonal skills
- Critical thinking skills
- Focused concentration
- Attention to detail
- Prioritization skills
- Effective time management
- Flexibility and adaptability
- Emotional stability
- Collaboration
- Extensive knowledge of the sciences

DEGREE OPTIONS

All graduates will receive an AN DTA/MRP degree. This and RN licensure prepare graduates for transfer as seniors to the following institutions in Washington: Heritage University, Pacific Lutheran University, St Martin's University, Seattle Pacific University, UW Bothell, UW Seattle, WSU, WWU and Western Governors University. Additional options for pursuing further nursing education are available.

REGISTERED NURSE DUTIES

- Administer medications
- Initiate and manage intravenous access
- Perform treatments and certain tests
- Document treatment and client response
- Order, interpret and evaluate diagnostic tests
- Develop (implement and evaluate) plans of care
- Apply nursing judgment to guide decisions in patient care
- Administer primary and emergency care
- Collaborate with the interdisciplinary team
- Direct and guide ancillary personnel
- Manage, supervise and assist nursing staff

OUR MISSION

We are committed to providing excellence in nursing education that encompasses critical thinking, competencies in the role of provider of care, manager of care and member in the discipline of nursing, with an emphasis on life-long learning.