



Think **NURSING** at Muskegon Community College!



Muskegon
Community
College

Registered Nurse

Is it the career path for me?



What do Nurses do?





- **Manage** emergencies
- **Identify** health changes
- **Monitor** vital signs
- **Collaborate** with other health professionals
- **Teach** about health and wellness
- **Listen** to patient concerns
- **Assure** quality patient outcomes
- **Promote** community health

- **Manage** wounds
- **Teach** patients about medications and home care
- **Anticipate** home health risks
- **Immunize** against disease
- **Participate** in research
- **.....and MORE...**



Where do nurses work?

- **Hospitals**
 - Emergency rooms
 - Delivery rooms
 - Pediatric units
 - Surgery
 - Dialysis units
 - X-ray
 - Intensive care units
- Homes
- Schools
- Community clinics
- Cruise ships
- Camps
- Airports
- Disasters



When do nurses work?

● **24/7**



- 8a-5p
- 7a-7p
- 7a-3p
- Part-time, full-time
- **Flexible** shifts
 - 96 hours per month, get paid for 144 hour per month
- "On Call"
 - **When you want to....**

Who do nurses work with?



Why choose nursing?



- **Autonomy**
- **Consumer trust**
- **Flexible work schedule**
- **Variety of career options**
 - **Good pay**
 - **High demand**
- **A growing /changing field** with emphasis on **critical thinking** and lifelong **learning**
- Opportunities for **advancement** in **nursing practice, education** and **research**

What is the **job market**?



- **The national shortage of RNs is expected to be 400,000 by 2020.**
- **Job openings are expected to grow 22%; some specialties as high as 50%.**
- **One million new nurses will be needed by 2020.**

Can I support myself?

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- **LPN: \$48,000**
 - **Diploma**
- **RN: \$60,000**
 - **Associate or Baccalaureate Degree**
- **Advanced Practice RN: \$81,000 +**
 - **Master's Degree**



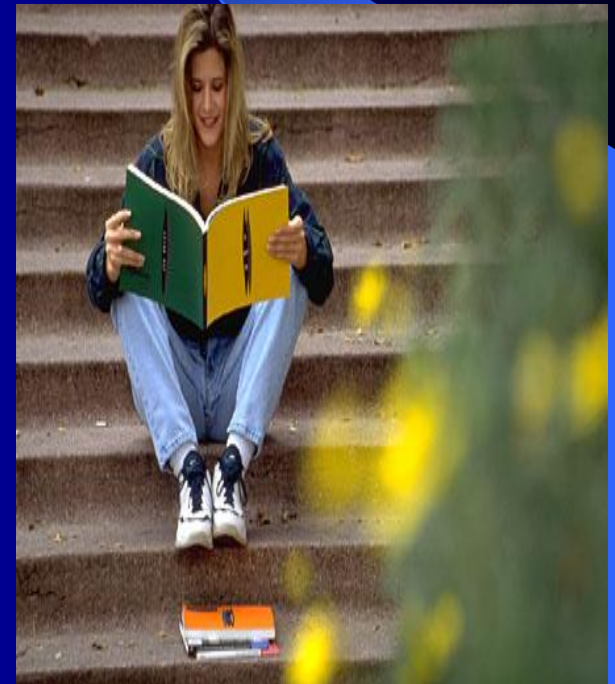
How long does it take to become a nurse?

- **Licensed Practical Nurse**
 - 1 year
- **Registered Nurse, Associate's Degree**
 - 2 years
- **Registered Nurse, Baccalaureate Degree**
 - 4 years
- **Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Midwife, Nurse Anesthetist, or Nurse Educator**
 - 6 years
- **Nurse Researcher Phd or Doctor or Nursing Practice DNP**
 - 7+ years



What high school classes should I take?

- **Sciences**
 - **Biology**
 - **Chemistry**
- **Math**
 - **Algebra**
- **Psychology**
- **Sociology**
- **Computer Science**
- **English**
- **Foreign Language**



Admission to Nursing Programs

- **Selective Admission**

- Once you meet entry level requirements you are ready to enter as soon as a space is available.
- No need to reapply - You will be admitted! 😊

- **Competitive Admission**

- No waiting lists; students “compete” by GPA or other criteria for a limited number of openings. Those who are not selected must reapply. ☹️

What should you look for in a Nursing Program?

- Is the program fully approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing? Full approval demonstrates that the program has met all State requirements to operate as a nursing education program.
- Is the program nationally accredited by either the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) or the Commission Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)? Accreditation indicates to the general public and to the educational community that a nursing program has clear and appropriate educational objectives and complies with established standards and criteria in the context of current practice and anticipated future directions.
- What percentage of graduates passes the National Licensure Examination (NLCEX) upon completion of the program? The national average is approximately 85%. The program you choose should be willing to give you their NCLEX pass rates, which should be consistently above average.

What should you look for in a Nursing Program? (cont.)

- Who are the nursing faculty members? A stable, MSN prepared, and experienced full-time faculty is essential to the development of quality learning outcomes.
- Is there an option for practical nurse licensure if for some reason the student is unable to complete two plus years of study?
- Are the course credits in the program easily transferable to universities for completion of a BSN or MSN degree? Are the general education credits easily transferable if for some reason you decide to switch to another educational facility to complete your degree?

What should you look for in a Nursing Program? (cont.)

- What is the admission process? A selective admission means once you meet the entry level requirements you are ready to enter as soon as space is available. No need to reapply; you will be admitted. A competitive admission means there are no waiting lists; students “compete” by GPA or other criteria for a limited number of openings. Those who are not selected must reapply.

We will be happy to help you decide if our Nursing Program is right for you!

Associate Degree Nursing Program

with Practical Nurse Diploma



The Muskegon Community College Nursing Program

Muskegon Community College Nursing Program is a **ladder Associate Degree Nursing Program** providing a foundation for lifelong Nursing Education. The MCC Nursing Program is committed to partnerships with local community healthcare agencies and University partners to meet the intellectual, technical, and professional needs of a 21st century nursing workforce. The MCC Nursing Program is committed to supporting student success, encouraging diversity, and stimulating intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, evidence based practice, and the professional ethics and accountability necessary for persons to function as professional nurses.

Why Choose the Muskegon Community College Nursing Program?



- **Reputation for a Quality Nursing Education**
 - **Exceptional Licensure Pass Rates**
 - **Experienced Full-time Faculty**
 - **Affordable Cost**
- **Accredited by the National League for Nursing (NLNAC)**
 - **Fully Approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing for over 25 years**



Do I have to wait to get in?

- MCC has a selective admission; you will be admitted when space is available.
- Wait time estimates are about 2.5 to 3 years.
- Develop a course plan with MCC Counselors.
- Get started on General Education Courses.
 - Biology 105, Biology 106, Biology 207
 - Chemistry, Math
 - Psychology 201, Anthropology 103, Philosophy 204
 - English 101, Communications 101
 - PEA 101A and PEA elective
- Apply for work in a health care agency.
- Look for scholarships.

Muskegon Community College Winter 2011 RN Grads

