

About The Campus

Carrington College's Sacramento campus is located on a seven-acre site and occupies 41,000 square feet of space in two buildings. The campus includes classrooms with ceiling-mounted LCD projectors; a Student Success Center equipped with reference materials, textbooks and journals; student computers; a learning laboratory with tutoring services; and a four-bed simulation laboratory.

The Carrington library website offers online resources and professional organization information. The facilities also include a dental hygiene clinic, dental assisting laboratories, a radiography laboratory, computer laboratories, nursing laboratory, a professional veterinary technology surgery suite, a pharmacy technology lecture classroom with a simulated retail environment. The campus also features a student break room.

About This Program

Many health care professionals begin their careers as licensed vocational nurses (LVNs) and later complete the requirements for becoming registered nurses (RNs). LVNs provide direct care to patients, usually working under the supervision of a physician or RN. While LVNs and RNs have many overlapping tasks, RNs' job descriptions are filled with many more complicated activities such as devising patient care plans, dispensing certain types of medications and starting IV drips – the types of things generally requiring more training and education than LVNs receive.

The LVN to ADN program enables licensed vocational nurses to advance their skills and knowledge to become registered nurses (RNs). LVNs build on the credit received for coursework completed during licensed practical or licensed vocational nursing training. The LVN to ADN program, which culminates in an Associate of Science degree, prepares nurses with a firm conceptual and technical foundation, intuitive and insightful client interactions, advanced skills and attitudes and solid personal and professional ethics.

¹ Individuals seeking to enter this career field may be subject to screenings such as, but not limited to, criminal background checks and drug/alcohol testing prior to externship, to attain occupational licensure/certification or employment, and throughout their careers.

² Carrington College prepares students to take appropriate certification and licensure exams related to their individual majors. The College does not guarantee students will successfully pass these exams or be certified or licensed as a result of completing the program. Credential preparation varies by location.

Careers in Registered Nursing¹

Registered nurses provide some of the most critical health care available to patients. Whether it's taking medical histories, recording vital signs and symptoms, performing diagnostic tests, drawing blood, giving injections or other tasks, they work in conjunction with other health care professionals to serve the sick or injured. They have a significantly expanded scope of practice, education and clinical education than do licensed practical nurses.

Registered nurses are employed in many different health care settings and perform an incredibly diverse assortment of tasks. Their career path can lead to employment in a variety of health care environments such as:

- State, local and private hospitals
- Nursing care facilities
- Residential care facilities
- Physicians' offices
- Home healthcare services
- Schools

Knowledge and Skills

Upon completion of the LVN to ADN program, graduates will be able to:

- Demonstrate the skills and knowledge to utilize the nursing process to provide care to clients in a variety of clinical settings
- Demonstrate academic preparedness to take the NCLEX-RN² examination
- Demonstrate the ability to apply critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and professionalism



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LVN to ADN Campus-Based Degree Program Requirements

Technical Courses		Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
RN 150	LVN to RN Transition – Theory	15	0	0	1
RN 155	LVN to RN Transition – Lab	0	22.5	0	0.5
RN 221	Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing 1 – Theory	45	0	0	3
RN 225	Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing 1 – Clinical	0	0	90	2
RN 210	Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing – Theory	22.5	0	0	1.5
RN 215	Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing – Clinical	0	0	90	2
RN 202	Leadership Management 1	15	0	0	1
RN 231	Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing 2 – Theory	30	0	0	2
RN 241	Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing: Care of the Older Adult – Theory	22.5	0	0	1.5
RN 245	Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing: Care of the Older Adult – Clinical	0	0	135	3
RN 250	Leadership Management 2	15	0	0	1
RN 305	Leadership Management 3 – Preceptorship	0	0	135	3
Total for Degree		165	22.5	450	21.5

Approximate time to complete degree program: 32 weeks (not including breaks)

Technical Coursework

Technical coursework focuses on fundamentals, medical- surgical nursing, psychiatric and mental health nursing, leadership management, and care of the older adult. In this program, students:

- Attend a combination of classroom instruction, laboratory practice and clinical training in area health care facilities
- Learn from passionate instructors with extensive nursing experience

Accreditation & Disclosures

Carrington College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC/WASC), 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, 415-506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at accjc.org.

For comprehensive information on Carrington's accreditation and approvals, visit carrington.edu/accreditation.

Visit carrington.edu/student-consumer-info/ for important information on program outcomes.

Program availability varies by location. Carrington College reserves the right to update information as it becomes available. For the most updated information, visit carrington.edu.

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