

Critical Care Nursing: Post Baccalaureate Certificate

Faculty of Community And Health Studies	kpu.ca/health
Implementation Date	01-Sep-2011
Start Date(s)	January
Admission Type	Selective entry
Enrolment Type	Limited enrolment
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Post Baccalaureate Certificate
Offered At	Langley
Format	Full-time
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

DESCRIPTION

The Critical Care Nursing Program offered by Kwantlen Polytechnic University provides Registered Nurses (RNs) with the skills and knowledge to successfully transition their career into Critical Care Nursing. The program is aligned with the competencies of the Canadian Nurses Association certification exam for Adult Critical Care.

Note: This program is only offered under special circumstances.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The program is designed to gradually introduce students to the highly technological environments of critical care.

PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to KPU's General university admission requirements including the undergraduate-level English Proficiency Requirement, the following program admission requirements apply:

- Baccalaureate degree in Nursing.
In lieu of a degree, practicing Registered Nurses with a diploma and several years acute care experience may be considered for admission on an individual basis. Current resume and interview required.
- Current Practicing CRNBC registration
- Letter of recommendation from employer
- Current Canadian CPR Level C

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

This program is delivered over seventeen weeks and currently starts at the beginning of January and finishes at the end of April of each year. The program is designed to gradually introduce the students to the highly technological environments of critical care. Theory and lab experiences are interspersed over the first twelve weeks. Practicum experiences during these first twelve weeks include an observational experience in a cardiac interventional unit, a cardiac surgical ICU and practical experience in an acute coronary care unit and a critical care step down unit. The program concludes with a final five week practicum in an ICU.

All of:

CCNG 5000	Professional Issues in Critical Care Nursing	1 credits
CCNG 5010	Critical Care Nursing Theory 1	3.5 credits
CCNG 5020	Critical Care Nursing Practice 1	3 credits
CCNG 5030	Critical Care Nursing Theory 2	2 credits
CCNG 5040	Critical Care Nursing Theory 3	2 credits
CCNG 5050	Critical Care Nursing Practice 2	5.5 credits

CREDENTIAL AWARDED

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Critical Care Nursing**.