# Graduate Nurse Re-Entry: Citation

Faculty of Community And Health Studies	kpu.ca/health
Implementation Date	01-Sep-2011
Start Date(s)	September January May
Admission Type	Selective entry Continuous intake
Enrolment Type	Self-paced
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Citation
Offered At	Langley
Format	Full-time Part-time
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

# DESCRIPTION

The Graduate Nurse Re-entry (GNUR) program is specifically designed for Registered Nurses with current or previous registration who are wishing to reinstate/renew their practicing registration but cannot meet the continuing competence requirements as mandated by CRNBC. Prior to acceptance into the program, interested individuals will be required to submit a copy of their letter of assessment from CRNBC regarding their eligibility to reinstate registration upon successful completion of the GNUR program. Nurses with temporary or student registration do not qualify.

The program consists of four courses and can be completed on a part-time basis over 12 - 18 months. The courses include nursing theory, pharmacology, and psychomotor skills labs, followed by a 160 hour preceptorship in a health care setting.

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This program prepares the graduate to practice nursing by meeting the re-entry course requirement for registration with the College of Registered Nurses of BC (CRNBC). Once registered, nurses are prepared to work in a variety of areas.

## 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.

- Proof of current or previous registration in Canada by a provincial or territorial regulating authority for Registered Nurses.
- A letter of assessment from the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) stating eligibility for registration upon successful completion of a graduate nurse re-entry program.
- Criminal record review, issued by the BC Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, completed within 6 months prior to the start of the program. A criminal record review

is required by the CRNBC prior to registration as a nurse and is a pre-practice requirement of some of the clinical agencies used during the program. Related costs are the responsibility of the individual student. The CRNBC may refuse to register any person who has been convicted of an indictable offence. Failure to have documentation acceptable to the agency at the time of placement may mean denial of the experience, which in turn will prevent completion of the program of studies. Applicants with any criminal convictions should request advice from the Registrar of the College of Registered Nurses of BC (CRNBC) before making formal application for admission to the program.

**Note:** Prior to applying, prospective students with mental or physical impairments, who may require program or preceptorship accommodations should contact the Program Coordinator at 604-599-3116 to discuss skills and competencies, and a Disability Advisor at 604-599-2148 to ensure that appropriate accommodations can be arranged. Please refer to the "Requisite Skills and Abilities" document found on the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) website at www.crnbc.ca/ downloads/464.pdf for further information regarding requirements for registration with CRNBC.

#### Additional Requirements

Prior to enrolling in GNUR 1210, students must have completed the following:

- Canadian CPR Certificate Health Care Provider. CPR certification must remain current throughout the course.
- Immunizations consistent with the requirements of clinical agencies. A Canadian TB skin test or chest x-ray dated within 2 years of registering into the program. Some practice experience agencies may require proof of current immunizations. Failure to have documentation acceptable to the agency at the time of placement may mean denial of the experience, which in turn will prevent completion of the program of studies.

Some Clinical agencies may require students to take an Oath of Confidentiality.

All costs associated with the above requirements are the responsibility of the individual student.

**Note**: This program is recognized by the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) which is the regulatory body for registered nurses in this province. In order to practice nursing upon graduation, students must meet the CRNBC English Requirements and Requisite Skills and Abilities for practicing nurses. To learn more visit www.crnbc.ca.

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

The program admits students every semester and is organized into 4 courses.

This self-paced, program is offered on a semester basis. The program includes on-line material for home study with on-line exams, nursing skill laboratory sessions and hospital clinical experience. The content provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to provide safe nursing care for adults in the health care setting.

#### **Required courses:**

GNUR 1120	Graduate Nurse Re-entry: Theory	3 credits
GNUR 1104	Pharmacology	2.5 credits
GNUR 1180	Workshops and Labs	3 credits

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GNUR 1210 Preceptorship

6.5 credits

**Note:** The preceptorship course is 160 practice hours (minimum) and takes place in a nursing practice setting. The student may suggest the setting and every effort will be made to accommodate the student's request.

## **CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Citation in Graduate Nurse Re-Entry**.

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