# Graduate Nurse, Internationally Educated Reentry: Certificate

Faculty of Health	kpu.ca/health
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Certificate
Offered At	Langley
Start Date(s)	September January
Intake Type	Limited intake
Format	Full-time
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Curriculum Effective Date	01-Sep-2014
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

# **DESCRIPTION**

This unique program prepares internationally educated nurses (IENs) for professional nursing practice in Canada. This program is designed for IENs who demonstrate fundamental knowledge-based nursing practice and are required by the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) to renew and enhance nursing knowledge and skills, in preparation for nursing practice and licensure in Canada.

This program is designed to:

- Prepare IENs to practice within the Canadian health care setting
- Renew and enhance previously acquired knowledge and skills
- · Identify and address individual needs
- Ensure graduates meet the professional practice requirements
- Enable effective communication skills with patients and colleagues

#### Notes:

- Clinical placements take place at any of the Lower Mainland hospitals between North Vancouver and Chilliwack. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from clinical experiences.
- Seats will be offered to those who achieve a minimum number of knowledge-based practice competencies and no more than 50% unmet competencies.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Upon successful completion of the nursing program and success in passing the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), graduates will be eligible to apply to practice as a registered nurse in British Columbia.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement, the following program admission requirements apply:

A College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) assessment indicating either:

- Supplementary education to either a RN Re-Entry To Practice Program or Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, or
- · Eligibility to apply for provisional or practicing registration

Either a Nursing Community Assessment Services (NCAS) Summary or a Substantially Equivalent Competence (SEC) Assessment Summary, completed within the last 5 years from the start of the program, with the following results:

- · NCAS Summary:
  - Section 2 with 50%, or less, of undemonstrated competency themes, or
  - Section 2 with 51%, or higher, undemonstrated competency themes, and successful completion of the KPU course PNUR 9030 - Nurse Ready.
- SEC Assessment Summary:
  - 50%, or less, unmet competencies overall, or
  - 51%, or higher, unmet competencies overall, and successful completion of the KPU course PNUR 9030 -Nurse Ready.

Applicants with either a NCAS Summary or a SEC Assessment Summary over five years old, but less than ten years old, from the start of the program are required to successfully complete the KPU Continuing and Professional Studies course PNUR 9030 - Nurse Ready. For further information see kpu.ca/cps/health

Once students have received a conditional offer of admission and before final admission to program is granted, students must submit the following:

- Canadian CPR Health Care Provider (Note: CPR certification must remain current throughout the program.)
- A Canadian TB skin test or chest x-ray dated within 2 years of registering into the program.
- An acceptable Criminal Record Check through the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General's Criminal Records Review Program within 6 months prior to the start of the program.
- Applicants who have lived outside of Canada as an adult are required to secure a Criminal Record Search with the Vulnerable Sector from their country of origin. Please contact the Office of Admissions for further direction on obtaining your criminal record check.

Note: Agencies may require students to take an Oath of Confidentiality. Current immunization records are required prior to placement in a clinical or practice course. Students are responsible for all costs related to immunization. Failure to have acceptable immunization documentation at the time of placement or clinical practice course may jeopardize completion of the program.

Please be advised that applications to this program will only be accepted from Canadian citizens and permanent residents / landed immigrants of Canada. As this is a limited-intake program, meeting admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

# CONTINUANCE REQUIREMENTS

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.67 with a minimum grade of C+ in all required courses, including electives. Non-adherence to these requirements will result in removal from the program.

# **CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS**

The Graduate Nurse, Internationally Educated Re-entry Certificate program consists of 47 credits organized into three semesters.

### Semester 1

#### All of:

GNIE 1102	Relational Engagement in Nursing Practice	3 credits
GNIE 1104	Pharmacology for Nurses	2 credits
GNIE 1117	Professional Nursing Practice 1	9 credits
GNIE 1118	Professional Nursing Theory I	5 credits

## Semester 2

#### All of:

GNIE 1218	Professional Nursing Theory 2	7 credits
GNIE 1227	Professional Nursing Practice 2	6 credits

## Semester 3

#### All of:

GNIE 1328	Professional Nursing Theory 3	7 credits
GNIE 1337	Professional Nursing Practice 3	8 credits

# OTHER INFORMATION

## **Costs**

In addition to tuition fees, students will spend approximately \$2,000 for textbooks, course materials and uniforms, during the program. Students are also responsible for providing their own transportation to and from clinical experiences.

A personal computer or mobile computing device is required in this program.

# **CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Certificate in Graduate Nurse**, **Internationally Educated Re-entry**.