

Testimonials

“CSM’s Nursing program was the best choice I could have made. I feel completely prepared to enter the world of nursing, the experience we have at our clinical sites is the best. The nurses there continually commend our hard work and we are often told that CSM provides well-prepared students.”

– Allison Fuller, RN

“The program provides excellent instruction on how to be successful in the LVN to RN program. Great information on what to expect and how to stay ahead of the learning curve as a new student to the program.”

– Tamara S. Martin, LVN, SRVUSD

“College of San Mateo’s registered nursing program challenged me to provide high-quality, thorough and compassionate care to my patients. I practiced this through clinical experiences and carried that over into my job as a licensed vocational nurse. It truly has been a humbling experience in which I treasure every day.”

– Emily Hanna



About College of San Mateo

College of San Mateo is located at the northern corridor of Silicon Valley and situated on a beautiful 153-acre site in the San Mateo hills that provides a panoramic view of San Francisco Bay. Since 1922, CSM has been a gateway to higher education leading to university transfer, career preparation and advancement, and professional and personal development.



The College currently serves approximately 10,000 day, evening and weekend students. CSM students reflect the diversity of the Bay Area and have a range of educational goals. To best serve our students, the curriculum offers a wealth of programs that include traditional, semester-length and short courses in addition to distance education.

Students can experience a vibrant campus life to complement classroom learning that includes leadership development, student government, more than 20 student clubs and educational and cultural activities. CSM is proud of its championship intercollegiate athletic teams which compete at the highest community college level. Many student-athletes receive scholarships and continue at four-year institutions and numerous CSM athletes have gone on to professional careers.

To ensure student success, CSM offers a comprehensive selection of academic support services. Resources include financial aid and scholarships, counseling, transfer services, tutoring, employment assistance, health services and child care, among many others.

For more information about the college, visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/exploreesm. Guided campus tours can be scheduled through collegeofsanmateo.edu/tours.



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Registered Nursing Program



College of San Mateo

Introduction

Since 1965, this highly respected program has graduated more than 2,000 students, providing exemplary didactic and clinical instruction. Graduates of the program earn a two-year associate degree of science in nursing and are eligible to take the National Council Licensing Exam (NCLEX). Historically, CSM graduates have demonstrated a high level of success in passing the NCLEX. Graduates are also eligible to transfer to universities to earn a bachelor of science in nursing.

The Program

CSM's two-year full-time nursing program is accredited by the California State Board of Registered Nursing. The A.S. degree in nursing includes nursing education theory content and skills lab experiences completed on campus and clinical nursing experiences in local skilled nursing facilities and hospitals. The curriculum is continually updated in order to meet the changing needs of the health care environment.

Students receive instructional content and clinical experience in all areas required by the California State Board of Registered Nursing including adult medical-surgical; maternity and pediatrics; psychiatric; and geriatric nursing.

Students also experience clinical rotations in community and non-acute care settings in order to gain a comprehensive understanding of the health care needs of the community, whether in wellness or illness states. The instructors work with students individually and in small groups to promote student success.

The program is housed in a state-of-the-art Nursing Skills Center located on the 3rd floor of the Health and Wellness Building 5. The Nursing Department office is located on the same floor in Room 361.

Students are accepted into the program once a year, beginning in the fall semester. Visit us at collegeofsanmateo.edu/nursing for more information or call (650) 574-6218.

Getting Started



- Consider enrolling in Nursing 666 - Careers in Nursing, a course which provides an overview of the nursing field.
- Review the department website at collegeofsanmateo.edu/nursing.
- Complete the Nursing Program Information Session (NPIS) online and take the quiz when you are prepared to do so.
- Apply to the College to be admitted as a student at collegeofsanmateo.edu/apply.
- Prepare to enroll in the program prerequisite courses listed on the website.
- Contact the Counseling Department if you need to meet with a counselor to create an educational plan.
- It is highly recommended that applicants take the reading placement test and follow the recommendations for a CSM reading class.
- All requirements must have been met the semester prior to application. Apply to the program when you have met all of the requirements.
- Prepare to take the required assessment test - Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). Successful completion of this exam is mandatory for enrollment in the program. Preparation materials are available on the vendor website at www.atitesting.com.

