

# Transition to Associate Degree in Nursing

# **Virtual Information Session**

#### Admissions

- Bridge program for LPNs to become RNs
- Admissions process is separate from application to Olympic College
- Application is due August 31<sup>st</sup> each year
- 10 students admitted each year in winter quarter
- 1 transition class in Winter, then 4 quarters full time
- Receive an Associate in Technical Arts degree (Nursing ATA)
- Qualified to take NCLEX to become a registered nurse



# What do you need to apply?

- LPN in Washington State
- Apply to Olympic College
- Complete Reading Comprehension Accuplacer
- Complete prerequisite and support courses
- Complete and submit application
- Submit all official transcripts



# Get Ready!

ACCUPLACER, PREREQUISITES, TRANSFER CREDITS, COURSE REVIEWS

#### **The Accuplacer**

- Take the Reading Comprehension Accuplacer!
  - <u>All</u> applicants must take the Reading Comprehension part of the Accuplacer and submit scores with their application.
  - Minimum score to apply = 260 (Next Generation Accuplacer)



#### **Nursing Prerequisites**

- Must be complete by August 31<sup>st</sup>
  - CHEM& 121 Intro to Chemistry
  - BIOL& 241 Anatomy and Physiology I
  - BIOL& 242 Anatomy and Physiology II
  - BIOL& 260 Microbiology
  - ENGL& 101 Composition I
  - PSYC& 100 Intro to Psychology or PSYC 102 Psychology of Adjustment
- Minimum 2.0 GPA required



### **Support Classes**

- Required before start of Fall quarter
  - One 5 credit elective from the following disciplines: Anthropology, Communication Studies, History, Humanities, Philosophy, Political Science, Sociology
- Optional Support class: College level Math (other than Statistics)

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- Any 100-level math class or above
- MATH& 107 or MATH& 141

#### **Transferring Credits**

#### • Who needs to supply transcripts?

- Anyone who has attended a post-secondary institution
- Submit directly to the Admissions office Bremerton campus or <u>evaluators@olympic.edu</u>
- You must also submit a Transfer Credit Evaluation form
  - Not an automatic process!
  - https://www.olympic.edu/programs-classes/transferoc/transfer-credit-evaluation



# **Out of State Biology and Chemistry?**

#### You need a course review!

 If you took Biology or Chemistry from an out of state college/university (or The Evergreen State College), the credits must be evaluated for equivalency by an Olympic College faculty member.

#### • What's the process?

- Email Ashley at <u>ablake@olympic.edu</u>
- Provide course syllabus and unofficial transcript
- Sent to the science faculty to determine equivalency.
- Allow three weeks for results.



# Credits from other colleges/states

Transfer Credit Evaluation	Course Review				
For the entire college	<ul> <li>For Nursing Program only</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Determines transferability for general credit at the college</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Determines equivalencies for specific Biology or Chemistry classes taken out of state or at The Evergreen State College</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Must be requested once you are registered or apply to the program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can be done any time prior to application</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Official transcripts and transcript request form to <u>evaluators@Olympic.edu</u></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Send class syllabus and unofficial transcript to <u>ablake@olympic.edu</u></li> </ul>				

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#### **Other Details**

- Retaking a class
  - OC policy is three attempts; we will take your most recent attempt
    - If it is below a 2.0, you are not eligible
- Expiration of credits
  - For nursing, there is no expiration



# Apply!

THE APPLICATION AND THE FACTOR SYSTEM

#### After you've completed prerequisites...

- Complete the TADN application
  - Application may be submitted when all prerequisite courses are complete – OR - when currently attending last prerequisite course (Summer quarter)
- Include an official copy of your Accuplacer Reading Comprehension scores
- Include a copy of your LPN license from DOH website
- Official transcripts from any institution after high school
- Application deadline is August 31<sup>st</sup> for January start.



#### **Getting In: The Factor System**

- The factor system is points based
- All courses must be completed by August 31<sup>st</sup> to receive points
- Cumulative GPA of prerequisite courses
  - ENGL& 101, PSYCH& 100, CHEM& 121, BIOL& 241, BIOL& 242, and BIOL& 260

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6 points possible depending on GPA

GPA	2.7-2.89	2.9-3.09	3.1-3.29	3.3-3.49	3.5-3.69	3.7-4.0
Points	1	2	3	4	5	6

#### The Factor System (continued)

- Accuplacer Reading Comprehension Test
  - 260-284 = 1 point
  - 285-300 = 2 points
- College level Math (other than stats)
  - Math& 107 or 141 = 1 point
- Rollover (for applicants who are eligible but not accepted on their first attempt) = 1 point

1<sup>st</sup> time applicant – 9 points possible

2<sup>nd</sup> time applicant – 10 points possible



#### Factoring Student #1



# Factoring Student #2



ENGL& 101	CHEM& 121	BIOL& 241	BIOL& 242	BIOL& 260	PSYC& 100 <u>or</u> PSYC 102	GPA	GPA pts	CL Math	Accuplacer	Rollover	TOTAL
4.0	3.5	3.2	2.8	3.4	4.0	3.45	4	1	2		7



# The TADN Program

WHAT TO EXPECT ONCE YOU GET IN (AND WHAT WE EXPECT OF YOU!)

# The TADN Program: Types of classes

- One Theory Credit = 1 contact hour per week
  - Lecture and class activities
  - Most classes are 3 credits, so 3 hrs./week

#### • One Lab Credit = 2 contact hours

- Practicing Skills
- Classmates as "patients" (non-invasive!)

#### • One Clinical Credit = 2 contact hours

- In a facility like a hospital, care center
- REAL patients!!
- Simulations



### **The TADN Program: Time Commitment**

#### Class time

- 9 credits of theory = 9 hours
- 2 credits of lab = 4 hours
- 3 credits of clinical = 6 hours

#### Study time

For each hour in class, you need about 2 hours to study



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## **The TADN Program: Grades**

- Prerequisites
  - Minimum 2.0 GPA
- In program
  - Minimum 2.2 GPA
- What happens if I don't achieve the required GPA (2.2) in an TADN class?
  - The student will have the option of petitioning the faculty for reentry to the Nursing Program.
  - If a failure in a clinical course occurred due to safety concerns petition for readmission is not an option.



# **Essential Functions of a Student Nurse**

 Students will be asked to perform the essential functions of a student nurse (motor, sensory, communication, cognitive, behavioral/emotional, professional conduct).

#### Motor duties *may* include:

- Sitting
- Standing
- Walking
- Lifting
- Bending
- Twisting

- Squatting
- Carrying
- Pushing
- Pulling
- Reaching
- Writing

- Typing
- Pinching
- Gripping
- Bimanual dexterity



# **Essential Functions of a Student Nurse (continued)**

- Student nurses are responsible for communication with families, caregivers, and other staff, be it written, verbal, electronic demonstration or other media in relation to their assignment.
- Students must possess emotional health for the adequate use of intellectual abilities.
- Students must possess the ability to reason morally and practice nursing according to the Professional Code of Ethics.

<u>Reasonable accommodations</u> will be afforded to eligible student nurses with disabilities as described under federal and state laws. Contact Access Services (360-475-7540) or AccessServices@olympic.edu) for information on accommodations for students with disabilities.



# The TADN Program: Documentation for Clinical Classes

- Students must provide evidence of the following before beginning <u>clinical</u> experiences:
  - BLS for Health Care Providers
  - Malpractice & Liability Insurance
  - Health Insurance
  - Immunizations
  - Background Inquiry

These things are NOT necessary to apply to the program. It is recommended you wait to hear if you are admitted to the program before gathering these items



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# The TADN Program: Technology Expectations

#### What

- 1. Email
- 2. Word Processing
- 3. Internet, Intranet, library and database searches
- 4. CANVAS©
- 5. Electronic Medical Records (EMR)
- 6. Simulations

#### Why

- 1. Communicating with professors, classmates, etc.
- 2. Writing papers, studying
- 3. Information gathering for client care, papers and assignments
- 4. Accessing class materials, lecture information, hybrid course work, testing
- 5. Clinical documentation
- 6. Developing clinical thinking



# The TADN Program: Technology Expectations

#### What

- 1. Email
- 2. Word Processing
- 3. Internet, Intranet, library and database searches
- 4. CANVAS© (Gen-S 097)

*If you are <u>not</u> familiar with items 1-4, it is highly recommended to familiarize yourself with them prior to acceptance in to the Nursing Programs.* 

#### Why

- 1. Communicating with professors, classmates, etc.
- 2. Writing papers, studying
- 3. Information gathering for client care, papers and assignments
  - 1. NURSE 102 summer quarter
- Accessing class materials, lecture information, hybrid course work, testing



### If you accept admission to the TADN Program...

- You must agree to the following conditions that <u>may</u> occur during the two years in the program:
  - Attending classes during the day or evening on weekdays, and even weekends.
  - Participating in clinical experiences day, evening, or night shifts, M-F or on the weekends.
  - Traveling to clinical sites that may be over 50 miles away.
  - Making your program and clinical schedules your top priority, taking precedence over work and personal schedules.
- If you cannot commit to these, please DO NOT ACCEPT your provisional acceptance into the TADN program



**Questions?** Need advising help?

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# Thank you for attending!

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