

The Pacific Union College EMT-P (Emergency Medical Technician - Paramedic) to Registered Nurse (RN) Program is taught at the Napa campus and is uniquely designed to enable students to work full time while continuing their nursing education.

## EMT-P to RN Orientation and Bridge Course:

- Orientation: August 29, 2022
- The EMT-P to RN Bridge Course (NURS 213) is scheduled for Fall 2022 - Meets seven full 8-hour days:
  - two days in September
  - two days in October
  - three days in November
- EMT-P students are required to pass the Assessment Technology Institute PN Comprehensive Exam at a predetermined standardized level (currently 71.3% or above) during the EMT-P to RN Bridge Course to start the nursing curriculum
- After successfully completing the EMT-P to RN Bridge Course, students will join the advanced-placement LVN/Med-Tech to RN cohort of 18 students for the first of three nursing sessions
- Nursing curriculum (session one) starts January 29, 2023

## EMT-P to RN Program Length

- 18 months total after completion of EMT-P to RN Bridge Course.
- Three 17-week sessions are extended over the 18-month program.
- Generous breaks between the three sessions facilitate students' preparation for the next session and accommodate personal obligations.
- Theory is taught during three coreweeks; coreweeks are four consecutive 8-hour days (normally Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday) evenly spaced throughout the 17-week session.
- 12-hour clinical labs are scheduled on non-coreweek Sundays during the session.

## EMT-P to RN Program Format:

- Non-traditional format for the working adult.
- Adult education principles are the foundation of the program, which is structured to allow students to meet other life obligations while developing the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of the professional RN.

## Admission:

- Acceptance into the EMT-P to RN program is competitive and based on a combination of academic achievements, admission test results, and personal qualifications.
- Must be a licensed paramedic.
- Completion of not less than 16 college quarter hours of nursing cognate and/or general education courses are required prior to the start of the program.
- Intro to Chemistry, Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, and Microbiology are prerequisite to starting the nursing curriculum. Courses can be concurrently taken during the Bridge Course.
- There is no expiration for previously taken college courses.

## *EMT-P to RN Associate of Science Degree Requirements*

The following cognate and general courses are required for the EMT-P to RN degree at PUC. All science courses are prerequisites that **must** be completed prior to starting the nursing curriculum.

Admission into the EMT-P to RN program is competitive in nature. Therefore, evaluation of one's nursing GPA (in the cognate/general courses listed below), test scores, and the number of completed required cognate/general courses will affect the likelihood of being accepted into the program.

**Required Cognate/General Courses:**

*Intro to Chemistry with lab	4 hours
*Human Anatomy with lab	5 hours
*Human Physiology with lab	5 hours
*General Microbiology with lab	5 hours
Nutrition	3 hours
General Psychology	4 hours
Human Development (Lifespan Development)	4 hours
College English I (Reading & Composition)	4 hours
Speech	4 hours
Sociology (choose one course from the following options):	3-4 hours
• Cultural Anthropology	
• Nursing Issues: Transcultural Care	
• Introduction to Sociology	
• The Family	
• American Social Problems	
• Racial & Ethnic Relations	
Math requirement may be met by:	4 hours
• Basic Algebra II (Intermediate Algebra) <u>or</u>	
• A full year of high school Algebra II with semester grades of C or better	
Religion	6 hours
• Focus is on the spiritual care of patients (taught during nursing program in Sessions I&II)	

Transfer nursing credit of 22 hours is granted from accredited vocational colleges for the first year of traditional AS in Nursing degree courses to EMT-P applicants who have passed the Assessment Technology Institute (ATI) PN Comprehensive exam at a predetermined standardized level set by national norms (currently at 71.3%). The EMT-P to RN AS in Nursing degree includes 41 hours of major course work taken through PUC. A total of 115 hours minimum are required for the degree (major courses, cognate courses, and general education courses).

**\*Prerequisite courses****Required Nursing Major Courses Taught in EMT-P to RN Program**

NURS 335 - Health Assessment	4 hours
NURS 390 - Pathophysiology	4 hours
NURS 221 - Nursing IV (Med-Surg) - taught in Session I	6 hours
NURS 254 - Mental Health Nursing - Session I	6 hours
NURS 222 - Nursing V (Advanced Med-Surg) - Session II	6 hours
NURS 256 - Maternal-Newborn Nursing - Session II	6 hours
NURS 255 - Pediatric Nursing - Session III	5 hours
NURS 325 - Nursing VI (Synthesis) - Session III	9 hours
NURS 326 - Management & Professional Practice - Session III	3 hours

Students may earn a maximum of 24 hours of academic credit by the successful writing of AP (Advanced Placement), IB (International Baccalaureate), CLEP (College Level Examination Program), DDST (DANTES Subject Standardized Tests) and/or Excelsior examinations for the AS Nursing degree. Only grades of C or higher are accepted for transfer and while completing the nursing program. See the General Catalog for additional information at: <http://www.puc.edu/academics/general-catalog>

Pacific Union College and the Department of Nursing Health Sciences:

- PUC is a Christian liberal arts college
- PUC is a fully accredited four-year college
- The nursing programs at PUC are:
  - Approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)
  - Accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, INC. (ACEN)

*For more information about the PUC EMT-P to RN Program or questions regarding the application process, please contact the Nursing Admissions Coordinator at 707-965-7606 or 800-862-7080, option #3, or [nursing@puc.edu](mailto:nursing@puc.edu) Information can also be found online at <http://www.puc.edu/academics/departments/nursing/rn-education>*