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**Associate in Science**

**79-82 Units (Degree)**

The nationally accredited Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) is intended to develop the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes basic to the function of registered nurses in the direct care of patients. The nursing program is approved by the California State Board of Registered Nursing and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. Students completing the AS in Nursing Science will be able to apply the five critical competencies of safety/technical skills, critical thinking and clinical reasoning skills, communication skills, responsibility/accountability and organization/prioritization skills essential to the function of registered nurses in the direct care of patients.

Additional elective classes include Labor and Delivery Room Nursing, Operating Room Nursing, and Independent Study, which allow students to extend their knowledge of a particular area of nursing science through research and study.

JOB TITLES	AVERAGE SALARY	PROJECTED JOBS	PROJECTED GROWTH
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**Registered Nurse (RN)**

**\$38.82/hr.-\$80,000**

**2,711,500**

**+21.7%**

Registered nurses assess patient health problems and needs, develop and implement nursing care plans and maintain medical records. They administer nursing care to ill, injured, convalescent, or disabled patients. RN's may advise patients on health maintenance and disease prevention or provide case management. They also provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions, and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members.

