Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Program

Mission Statement

The Mission of the Carl Albert State College (CASC) Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Nursing program is to facilitate affordable, accessible, exceptional education to guide students in their preparation to provide safe, evidence-based nursing care to diverse clients in entry level practice as a registered nurse. The program accomplishes this by helping students acquire client assessment and clinical judgement skills through participation in theory, clinical, and simulation experiences. The students are introduced to communication, management, and technological skills important in nursing practice. Students are encouraged to embrace the value of lifelong learning in preparation to provide health care to the communities where they practice.

Program Goals

- Goal 1. Upon program completion the student will implement nursing care plans based on safe, evidence-based patient care guidelines.
- Goal 2. Upon program completion the student will communicate with patients in a therapeutic manner to achieve patient care goals.
- Goal 3. Upon program completion the student will perform nursing skills in compliance with relevant laws and policies.

Program Outcomes

- Goal 1. Upon program completion the student will implement nursing care plans based on safe, evidence-based patient care guidelines.
 - A. Assess pertinent and abnormal patient health data.
 - B. Identify the top priority patient problems.
 - C. Implement nursing actions to address priority problems.
- Goal 2. Upon program completion the student will communicate with patients in a therapeutic manner to achieve patient care goals.
 - A. Listen to patient health concerns.
 - B. Pursue cues that may indicate patient health problems.
 - C. Demonstrate respect and acceptance of patient.
- Goal 3. Upon program completion the student will perform nursing skills in compliance with relevant laws and policies.
 - A. Administer medications to patients in compliance with laws and policies.
 - B. Utilize sterile technique in specified skills.
 - C. Adhere to state laws, board of nursing regulations, and facility policies in the performance of psychomotor clinical skills.

Required Courses in Major

NUR 1103 Role Transition in Nursing*

NUR 1129 Health-Illness Nursing I

NUR 1219 Health Illness Nursing II

NUR 2119 Health-Illness Nursing III

NUR 2219 Health-Illness Nursing IV

AHS 1203 Basic Nutrition

^{*}Role Transition course is required only for Advanced Placement Students.