



Provide quality care to those in need

Vocational Nursing



Certificate of Completion Program*

SJVC's Vocational Nursing program trains you to have the skills to offer professional care to the sick, injured, convalescent and disabled under the direction of physicians and registered nurses.

Vocational nurses are an important part of a health care team responsible for administering nursing care, detecting illnesses, and patient education.

The program includes an externship which allows students to further their studies in a real-world medical environment. This hands-on clinical training enhances the learning experience and allows students to develop a work history while completing their studies.

***This Certificate of Completion program is available at these SJVC Locations:**

**Bakersfield
Rancho Mirage
Santa Maria**



Training Today for a Better Tomorrow



Hands-On Training

Nursing skills include:

- Assessment of vital signs and patient status
- Feeding, medication and oxygen administration
- Foley catheter insertion and care, tracheostomy care, enteral tube (NG & G tube) insertion
- Specimen collection, enema administration, isolation procedures



Credentials and Professional Certifications

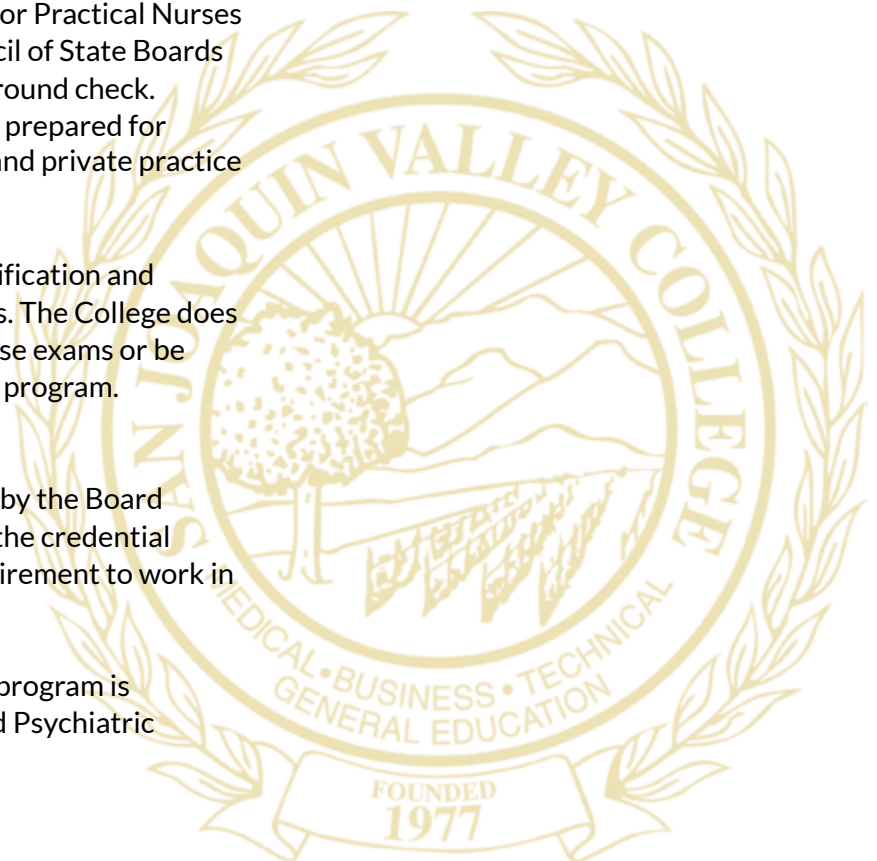
Graduates earn a Certificate of Completion and are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN) administered by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). This exam requires a background check. Graduates also earn HIPAA certification, and are prepared for entry-level positions in hospital, long-term care and private practice environments.

SJVC prepares students to take appropriate certification and licensure exams related to their individual majors. The College does not guarantee students will successfully pass these exams or be certified or licensed as a result of completing the program.

State Licensure

Graduates who pass the NCLEX-PN are licensed by the Board of Vocational Nursing and are authorized to use the credential Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN), which is a requirement to work in this field.

San Joaquin Valley College's Vocational Nursing program is approved by the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians.



Career Information

LVNs can work in hospitals, medical offices, clinics, and correctional facilities. These health professionals perform the following job duties:

- Administer prescribed medications and start intravenous fluids
- Observe patients, charting and reporting changes in patients' conditions
- Evaluate nursing intervention outcomes, conferring with other healthcare team members
- Assemble and use equipment, such as catheters, tracheotomy tubes, and oxygen suppliers
- Collect samples, such as blood, urine, and sputum from patients
- Prepare patients for examinations, tests, treatments, and explain procedures
- Set up equipment and prepare medical treatment rooms
- Inventory and requisition supplies and instruments
- Assist in delivery, care, or feeding of infants

Source: Occupational Information Network (O*Net), www.onetonline.org

Admissions Requirements*

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Applicant must complete a physical exam and verification of immunity titers, drug screening, verification of two-step tuberculosis screening and background check
- Applicant must provide verification of Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (TDap) vaccination within the last 10 years
- Applicant must be 17 years of age or older
- Applicant must provide verification of a current, AHA-issued CPR card

Applicants must meet the required minimum scores on two out of three Accuplacer tests, and may be scheduled for a personal interview with the Vocational Nursing Program Director. The Program Director will make final selection recommendations to the Admissions Review Committee based on all available information including test scores and submission of required documentation. **Please reference the College Catalog for detailed information on admissions requirements.*



Course Listing*

Core Course Requirements

Course ID	Course Name	Quarter Credit Units	Credit Hours
NUR 100	Fundamentals of Nursing I	12.0	120
NUR 101	Nursing Skills Lab I	6.0	120
NUR 110	Fundamentals of Nursing II	4.0	40
NUR 111	Nursing Skills Lab II	1.0	20
NUR 115	Geriatric Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 221	Orthopedic Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 231	Respiratory Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 232	Cardiovascular Nursing	8.0	140
NUR 233	Urinary/Renal Nursing	3.0	50
NUR 241	Endocrine Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 242	Gastrointestinal Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 243	Neurological Nursing	6.0	100
NUR 251	Integumentary Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 253	Rehabilitation Nursing	3.0	50
NUR 254	Reproductive Health Nursing	3.0	50
NUR 255	OB/Pediatric Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 261	Oncology Nursing	5.0	90
NUR 262	Psychiatric Nursing	3.0	50
NUR 263	Leadership and Supervision	8.0	140
Certificate Total		97.0	1,600

*Course listings are subject to change. Reference the SJVC College Catalog for the most current program information.

Institutional Accreditation

San Joaquin Valley College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, (415) 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at: www.accjc.org.

California State Approval

SJVC is a private institution and is approved to operate as an accredited institution by the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). Approval to operate means that SJVC has been found in compliance with the standards set forth in the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 (as amended) and Title 5, Division 7.5, - Private Postsecondary Education of the California Code of Regulations. As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review the catalog prior to signing an enrollment agreement. You are also encouraged to review the School Performance Fact Sheet, which must be provided to you prior to signing an enrollment agreement.

Consumer Information

San Joaquin Valley College publishes important consumer information for all programs and campus locations. For comprehensive consumer information, visit <https://www.sjvc.edu/admissions/consumer-information>.

SJVC Locations

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FRESNO

559.448.8282

HANFORD

559.584.8840

MADERA

559.302.2155

PORTERVILLE

559.853.4114

SANTA MARIA

805.608.3104

BAKERSFIELD

661.834.0126

FRESNO - TRADES

EDUCATION CENTER

559.453.0123

HESPERIA

760.948.1947

MODESTO

209.542.8800

RANCHO CORDOVA

916.638.7582

TEMECULA

951.296.6015

DELANO

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ONTARIO

909.948.7582

RANCHO MIRAGE

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VISALIA

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Program availability varies by campus location.
Please see the catalog for details.

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