

Graduate Nurse, Internationally Educated Re- entry: Certificate

Faculty of Health	kpu.ca/health
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Certificate
Offered At	Langley
Start Date(s)	September January
Intake Type	Limited intake
Format	Full-time
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Curriculum Effective Date	01-Sep-2014
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

DESCRIPTION

This unique program prepares internationally educated nurses (IENs) for professional nursing practice in Canada. This program is designed for IENs who demonstrate fundamental knowledge-based nursing practice and are required by the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) to renew and enhance nursing knowledge and skills, in preparation for nursing practice and licensure in Canada.

This program is designed to:

- Prepare IENs to practice within the Canadian health care setting
- Renew and enhance previously acquired knowledge and skills
- Identify and address individual needs
- Ensure graduates meet the professional practice requirements
- Enable effective communication skills with patients and colleagues

Notes:

- Clinical placements take place at any of the Lower Mainland hospitals between North Vancouver and Chilliwack. Students are responsible for their own transportation to clinical experiences.
- Seats will be offered to those who achieve a minimum number of knowledge-based practice competencies and no more than 50% unmet competencies.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Upon successful completion of the program and the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), graduates will be eligible to apply to practice as a registered nurse in British Columbia.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement, the following program admission requirements apply:

- A letter of assessment from the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) stating eligibility for registration upon successful completion of a graduate nurse re-entry program and a Substantially Equivalent Competence (SEC) Assessment Summary.

Once students have received a conditional offer of admission and before final admission to program is granted, students must submit the following:

- Proof of Canadian CPR Level C certificate; CPR certification must remain current throughout the program.
- A Canadian TB skin test or chest x-ray dated within 2 years of registering into the program.
- A criminal record review issued by the BC Ministry of Justice, Criminal Records Review Program. A criminal records review is required by the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia prior to registration as a nurse and is pre-practice requirement of some of the clinical agencies used during the program. Related costs are the responsibility of the individual student. The College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia may refuse to register any person who has been convicted of an indictable offence.
- If you are not a Canadian citizen, you are required to secure a Criminal Record Search with the Vulnerable Sector from your country of origin

Notes: Agencies may require students to take an Oath of Confidentiality.

Current immunization records are required prior to placement in a clinical or practice course. Students are responsible for all costs related to immunization. Failure to have acceptable immunization documentation at the time of placement or clinical practice course may jeopardize completion of the program.

Please be advised that applications to this program will only be accepted from Canadian citizens and permanent residents / landed immigrants of Canada. As this is a limited-intake program, meeting admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

The Graduate Nurse, Internationally Educated Re-entry Certificate program consists of 47 credits organized into three semesters.

A student must achieve a minimum grade of C in a theory course and mastery in a clinical course in order to progress to a subsequent course and to receive the program certificate. The clinical experience evaluation includes judgments about interpersonal skills, professional behaviour, and clinical knowledge and skills based on the CRNBC scope of practice standards. If a student is not successful in one course withdrawal from co-requisite courses is mandatory.

Semester 1

All of:

GNIE 1102	Relational Engagement in Nursing Practice	3 credits
GNIE 1104	Pharmacology for Nurses	2 credits
GNIE 1117	Professional Nursing Practice 1	9 credits
GNIE 1118	Professional Nursing Theory 1	5 credits

Semester 2

All of:

GNIE 1218	Professional Nursing Theory	7 credits
		2
GNIE 1227	Professional Nursing Practice	6 credits
		2

Semester 3

All of:

GNIE 1328	Professional Nursing Theory	7 credits
		3
GNIE 1337	Professional Nursing Practice	8 credits
		3

OTHER INFORMATION

Costs

In addition to tuition fees, students will spend approximately \$2,000 for textbooks, course materials, uniforms, during the program. Students are also responsible for providing their own transportation to clinical experiences.

A personal computer or mobile computing device is required in this program.

CREDENTIAL AWARDED

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Certificate in Graduate Nurse, Internationally Educated Re-entry**.