The four-year Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Nursing Program (NCBNP) prepares students for entry into the Registered Nurse profession. The program is offered collaboratively with the College of New Caledonia (CNC) and the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC). After completing two years of study at CMTN Terrace Campus, NCBNP students continue at UNBC Terrace Campus (or transfer to a partner site) to complete third and fourth year of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN).

Graduates are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) and to apply for registration with the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC) after passing the exams.

Graduates are prepared for the changing context of health care and health care delivery and are knowledgeable in current nursing practice, with an emphasis on one of the following:

- Acute care nursing
- Rural nursing
- Aboriginal health
- Community health

Dates and locations
The program begins in September of each year and is offered at the CMTN Terrace campus (Years 1 & 2) and UNBC Terrace campus (Years 3 & 4).

Work experience practicum portions of the program will include placements throughout the northwest region and may be configured for weekends, evenings, and 4- or 6-week blocks outside sessional dates. Travel, accommodation, meals and other expenses are not included in the program costs and are the responsibility of the student.

Faculty

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The Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Nursing (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) Program consists of 136 credits, with 95 required credits in nursing. In order to meet the UNBC graduation requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) degree, the student must successfully complete the following courses:

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Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Nursing (NCBNP) - Registered Nurse

Plus 1 elective ²

Credits 16

Winter Semester
January-May ¹

BIOL 221 Pharmacology for Nurses 3
NURS 203 Health Promotion in Families 3
NURS 215 Care of the Adult 8
Plus 1 elective ² 3

Credits 17

Spring/Summer Term

NURS 220 Extended Clinical Practicum I 5

Credits 5

Total Credits 68

¹ Schedule subject to change.
² Check with a CMTN Educational Advisor (https://coastmountaincollege.ca/student-services/academic-support/educational-advising) for elective options.

Standards of Professional Conduct

In addition to all University, College, and Program expectations, all students are expected to abide by professional standards as set forth in the CRNBC Professional Standards for Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners and the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) Code of Ethics for Registered Nurses (2002). Violation of professional standards may result in suspension or dismissal from the program or the educational institution.

Becoming a Registered Nurse in British Columbia – Requisite Skills and Abilities (https://crnbc.ca/WhatNursesDo/NurseStudying/Pages/RequiredSkills.aspx)

Admission requirements

• Applications must be received by March 31
  Note: If all seats are not filled, late applications received after the deadline may be considered if all requirements are met by April 15
• All supporting transcripts are due by April 15
• Interim grades must be provided by the applicant’s school by April 15 for students who are still completing prerequisite requirements. Students must have completed at least 50% of each of these courses by April 15
• All prerequisites must be completed by September 1

Students apply at CMTN but must also meet UNBC admission requirements. (See Mature Student and University Transfer requirements listed below)

In addition to UNBC admission requirements, students have completed the equivalent of the following BC secondary school courses with a minimum (70%) or better each of the following courses:

• Foundations of Math 11 or Pre-calculus 11 or Principles of Math 11
• Chemistry 11
• English 12
• Biology 12 with a minimum B (73%) within 5 years prior to semester of admission to the NCBNP

Please discuss prerequisite equivalency options with a CMTN Educational Advisor (https://coastmountaincollege.ca/student-services/academic-support/educational-advising).

UNBC requirements for mature student entry:

Each mature student application will be reviewed on its own merits. Mature applicants must:

- be Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents of Canada have been out of secondary school for at least three years
- be 21 years of age on or before the first day of classes have attempted fewer than 15 post-secondary academic credits

1 Schedule subject to change.
2 Check with a CMTN Educational Advisor (https://coastmountaincollege.ca/student-services/academic-support/educational-advising) for elective options.
Students must submit transcripts of any post-secondary work that they have completed for the purpose of prerequisite checks, and a résumé of both academic and other activities (employment, service, etc.) for the past three years. The University may exercise its discretion by admitting on a probationary basis.

**UNBC requirements for University Transfer**

To be considered a transfer student, a minimum of 15 credit hours of acceptable university-level course work from a recognized post-secondary institution must be presented.

For admission, a minimum grade point average (GPA) equivalent of UNBC 2.00 or C (63%) calculated on the most recent 30 credit hours of university-level course work is required. GPA is calculated on the course work completed for students with less than 30 credit hours but equal to or more than 15 credit hours.

Students with in-progress course work at the time of admission are required to maintain an acceptable GPA (as above) on the in progress course work to retain their offer of admission.

Applicants must be in good academic standing at the transferring institution(s). Applicants who have been required to withdraw or have been placed on academic probation by the transferring institution(s) must wait for three full semesters before being admissible to UNBC and outline any work completed or experience gained which would better qualify them to successfully complete work at UNBC.

Failure to declare attendance at any post secondary institution could result in disciplinary action by the University and transfer credit will not be considered for transcripts provided in this manner. Information on falsifications may be shared with the Member Institutions of the Association of Registrars of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

Self-identified Aboriginal applicants who meet or exceed the minimum requirements for the program will be given priority for up to twenty percent (20%) of the first-year seats for the Northern Collaborative Nursing Program (NCBNP).

**Admission**

Admission will be offered to the applicants with the highest GPA in the four specific pre-requisite courses. In the event of a tie these courses will be weighted in the following priority: English, Biology, Mathematics, then Chemistry.

Equivalent courses from the CMTN Career and College Preparation program may be used as prerequisites. Equivalent courses have been identified by UNBC.

University transferable courses in English, Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics (not statistics) can be used in lieu of the prerequisite courses. Where an applicant has the high school prerequisite courses and more advanced courses, the courses with the higher grades will be used in determining the admission GPA.

Applicants whose first language is not English, regardless of citizenship or country of origin, must submit evidence of English language proficiency prior to admission. For the NCBNP the following are required for admission:

- Fulfillment of the BC Secondary School English 12 requirement 70%, or equivalent and either a IELTS (International English Language Testing System) or a CELBAN (Canadian English Language Assessment for Nurses) with current, valid results and scores as set by CRNBC for the year of admission.

**Transfer credit**

Transfer Credit may be awarded for course work completed at other recognized institutions. All transfer credit for course work taken prior to admission to the BScN program will be evaluated at the request of the student. Individual Nursing (NURS) or Health Sciences (HHSC) courses or their equivalents, must have been completed within 5 years prior to the semester of admission to the Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Program (NCBNP) to be eligible for transfer credit. Other course work must be within 10 years prior to the semester of admission to be considered for transfer credit. Course work taken at other institutions after admission may also be eligible for transfer credit (refer to Letter of Permission in the General Requirements for Nursing). Students are encouraged to consult with an advisor prior to registering for courses complete outside of UNBC.

Students who have completed a Registered Nurse Diploma at a recognized post-secondary institution may be eligible for transfer credit towards the Post-Diploma Baccalaureate Nursing Program or Rural Nursing Certificate Program BSCN Completion. Students may also be eligible for transfer credit of post-diploma course work.

Students who have completed a Licensed Practical Nurse Certificate or Diploma may be eligible for transfer credit towards the Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Nursing Program (refer to Admission Requirements: Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) access under the NCBNP).

The School of Nursing reserves the right to deny transfer credit for any course work. For maximum allowable transfer credit, please refer to the calendar description for the appropriate nursing program.

The total transfer credit awarded on the basis of acceptable course work completed at non-collaborative partner institutions may not exceed 60 credit hours. Nursing (NURS) and Health Sciences (HHSC) courses or their equivalents, must have been completed within five years prior to the semester of admission to be eligible for transfer credit.

**Immunization and CPR certification**

All students accepted into the NCBNP program are sent documentation and information regarding immunization policies. Once accepted into the program, all students must submit:

- A record of immunization status and any annual vaccination requirements, such as influenza based on release date of vaccine.
- Completed immunization form must be submitted to the institution the student is currently attending prior to September 30 in the first
year of attendance. Failure to do so may result in the student not being allowed to practice in the clinical setting. Students entering the program in year 2 or above must complete and submit this document before the first week of classes in September.

- Documentation of CPR certification, level C, which must be successfully maintained throughout the program. Proof of CPR certification (and re-certification, as needed) must be submitted prior to commencement of classes.
- CPR must be re-certified every two years regardless of expiry date on the card.

Criminal records search

Students are required to undergo a Criminal Records Search prior to being admitted to year 1. A subsequent criminal records search will be required prior to the start of year 3.

Under the requirements of the Criminal Records Review Act (1996), CMTN requires, as part of the application process, criminal records searches for applicants to program areas that involve working with children or other vulnerable persons. The cost of this search is the responsibility of the student.

Criminal Records Search forms will be sent to applicants to the program. Results which identify relevant criminal convictions may disqualify an applicant from admission into a program. Submission of a Criminal Records Search at the point of admission does not preclude either the program or provincial certification bodies from requesting a subsequent Criminal Records Search prior to field placement or professional registration. Please speak with the Dean, Health and Human Services if you have any concerns.

For more information on CRC please visit: http://www.cmtn.bc.ca/admissions/applying-cmtn/criminal-record-check-crc

Qualifications for degree program

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that his/her degree requirements are met. Graduation requirements are found in the Regulations and Policies section of the UNBC Calendar. To fulfill the requirements for graduation, the student must:

- attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.33 (C+) on all courses used for credit towards the degree
- attain a minimum passing grade in NURS 220, NURS 329 and NURS 330
- obtain a minimum passing grade 2.0 (C) in the following courses, or their equivalents

Note: Students enrolling in any required course must have completed all prerequisites with a grade of (C) or better, or if NURS 220, NURS 329 or NURS 330 is the prerequisite, a passing grade is required:

- All NURS Courses, including NURS electives
- All mandatory HSC courses
- UNBC ANTH 213
- UNBC STAT 240
- UNBC POLS 403

• Confirm all transfer credit meets eligibility requirements and has been awarded accordingly
• Complete all outstanding requirements within eight years, starting from the first semester of registration following admission to the NCBNP

Nursing BScN - year 1 program fees

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1 Lab Fee Note: This fee is for the mandatory courses (BIOL 131/BIOL 132/BIOL 133). Lab fees are mandatory and cannot be waived. These non-refundable fees also apply to students with lab exemptions. For any additional elective courses that have a lab component the fees are $15.54 per credit.
2 These fees are term based and may vary due to the length of the program.
3 Please note that these are approximate costs and may vary depending on courses taken.

Fees are effective as of August 7, 2018

Vaccine costs depend on the needs of the student and are the students responsibility.

Nursing BScN-year 2 program fees

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Career opportunities

Today, the opportunities for nurses are practically unlimited. The demand for nurses in all areas of hospital and ambulatory settings is creating opportunities for employment in this secure, well-paid, challenging and rewarding profession. Demands for community nursing, focusing on health promotion, education and illness prevention, are increasing. For self-directed individuals who enjoy the challenge of independent practice, nursing positions can be found in the North and abroad with international health organizations. Nurses are respected professionals and valued members of health care teams everywhere.

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