



## *ARC Nursing Program Frequently Asked Questions*

1. **Does ARC have recency requirements for prerequisites? Are students penalized for repeating prerequisite courses?**

*There is no recency requirement for Nursing Program prerequisites, nor do they expire. ARC does not discount for repeated courses – the highest grade will be taken.*

2. **When is the nursing application open?**

*The application is available in February and September– see website for specific dates each year.*

3. **What are the costs for the Nursing Program?**

*Costs are approximate and subject to change. Below is a guide for students to anticipate costs when entering the Nursing Program. **Approximate Total Program Cost: \$7400.00.***

Description	Approximate Cost Two-Year Nursing Program
Enrollment Fees	\$1932
Parking	\$164
CPR Healthcare Provider/Professional Rescuer Provider	\$50 - \$100 (Renewal Additional \$)
Drug Screen, Background Check, Health Requirements & e-Learning (additional cost for second background check if needed)	\$150+
Physical, Immunizations	\$125 - \$250
Uniform/Shoes	\$300
Clinical Orientation & Hospital Health Requirement Tracking	\$115
Skills Kit	\$400
Malpractice Insurance	\$30
Textbooks/Learning Materials	\$3000
Graduation Cost	Varies, up to \$350
Board of Registered Nursing License Application/NCLEX	\$575

4. **Where can I find a nurse refresher course?**

*A list of resources can be found on the Board of Registered Nursing website:*

<https://www.rn.ca.gov/education/courses.shtml>

5. **Do you offer individual courses (OB, Peds, etc.) for nurses with foreign nursing degrees?**

*No, ARC does not offer these components as standalone courses. They are part of our two-year nursing program.*

**6. Can I apply to the Nursing Program if I have a criminal/conviction history?**

*Students must complete a background check upon entry to the program and a fingerprinting upon application for licensure at the end of the program.*

- 1. Initial Background Check – this is an employment level background check and is required by our clinical partners for entry into medical facilities. Students with a criminal background may not be allowed to attend a clinical facility. If a student is not allowed into a facility, he/she will not be able to meet the objectives of the Nursing Program and will be ineligible for enrollment.*
- 2. Fingerprinting for Licensure Application – In accordance with the California Board of Registered Nursing, a person convicted of any offense other than a minor traffic violation may not qualify to be licensed as a nurse. All convictions must be reported at the time of application. Please see the BRN website for more information: <http://rn.ca.gov/enforcement/convictions>*

**7. Can I meet with ARC counselor?**

*Please email [askhb-healthy@arc.losrios.edu](mailto:askhb-healthy@arc.losrios.edu) or call (916) 484-8577 to schedule an appointment with ARC Health and Well Being Homebase Counselor.*

**8. I have more questions – who can help me?**

*If you have reviewed all the documents on our website and you still have questions, please email us at [ARC NursingApplication@losrios.edu](mailto:ARC NursingApplication@losrios.edu)*