Health care is one of the fastest-growing career fields in the country. Registered nurses (R.N.s) serve a critical role in providing treatment, support and education to both patients and their family members. If you are looking for a profession that combines service to others with knowledge of science, psychology and communications, a Nursing career may be right for you.

The College's Nursing program has a long record of success and a respected reputation among local employers. Program graduates are in extremely high demand for jobs. Research shows that all graduates of this program are employed within six months.

Career Paths
According to the U.S. Department of Labor’s Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2010-11 Edition, “Growth will be driven by advances in patient care and by an increasing emphasis on patient care.” Job opportunities are excellent in doctors’ offices, home health care services, nursing care facilities and employment services.

The Nursing Program
The A.A.S. program in Nursing prepares students to:

- be informed as to the legal and ethical aspects of the profession
- utilize case studies to analyze and synthesize information related to patient care

The Nursing program provides an associate’s degree with many benefits, including:

- an innovative curriculum
- supportive faculty
- state-of-the-art equipment
- hands-on learning
- supervised time in hospitals, geriatric settings and community-based care agencies
- preparation to take the national exam for credentials accepted throughout the United States

As a registered nurse, you care for children, adults and senior citizens; educate the public about various medical conditions and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members. To be successful in this profession, you must have a caring personality plus the ability to solve problems, remember important details and work well with others.

The Nursing program has been designated as a “Center of Excellence in Nursing Education” by the National League for Nursing for its commitment to creating environments that enhance student learning.
Nursing at Community College of Philadelphia

- work in offices of physicians, hospitals, long-term care facilities and community-based facilities
- use outcome measures to critically assess situations and develop treatment plans
- become familiar with evidence-based practices in health care

Graduates with an A.A.S. degree:
- are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN to obtain a registered nurse license
- can practice as a registered nurse (R.N.) after licensing
- can pursue a bachelor’s or master’s degree

Salaries
Registered Nurses – $62,450*


Graduates of this program have a high pass rate on the certification exam. Courses transfer easily into programs at four-year colleges and universities. Salaries of graduates working in the Philadelphia area often exceed the national average.

The Nursing program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (www.nlnac.org) and approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing (www.dos.state.pa.us/nurse).

Areas of Study
This curriculum includes courses in Anatomy and Physiology, Microbiology, Psychology, English, Sociology and Nutrition.

Admission to the College
Prospective students are strongly encouraged to apply early prior to the start of a term in order to complete the appropriate steps for enrollment. For more information about admission to the College and important dates, including open house information, visit our website at www.ccp.edu, call 215-751-8010 or email admissions@ccp.edu.

College Information
Visit the College website at www.ccp.edu to find out about:
- Academic Programs
  www.ccp.edu/site/academic/
- Admissions Process
  www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/admissions_process.php
- Transfer Agreements
  www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/transfer_agreements/
- Financial Aid
  www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/financial_aid/
- Scholarships and Awards
  www.ccp.edu/site/current/scholarships/
- College Life
  www.ccp.edu/site/current/student_life/
- Directions to the College
  www.ccp.edu/site/locations/main.php

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