

Practical Nursing for International Applicants

(Practical Nursing is a PGWP-eligible program; CIP 51.3901)

Program intakes:

- Fall 2026: September 8, 2026 – Terrace and Smithers
- Fall 2028: September 5, 2028 – Terrace and Prince Rupert

Mode of delivery:

- Blended (in-class video conferencing and in-person lab)
- Preceptorship (practicum): Approximately 180 hours at the very end of the program

Admissions Requirements:

This program has admissions requirements and practicum requirements to be met – admissions requirements are for program entry (Step 1), and practicum are to be completed in advance to clinical and lab class work (Step 2).

Step 1:

- Completion of Senior Secondary
- Senior Secondary Math with a minimum grade of **60%**
- English 12 or equivalent with a minimum grade of **65%**
 - We can accept post-secondary English as long as it was taught in English. This may be subject to WES evaluations, applicants are to pay any fees associated with this service.
- Senior Secondary Biology with a minimum grade of **60%**
 - Note:* Any first year University-level Biology or Human Sciences may be considered
- Successful completion of either IELTS (International English Language Testing System) **OR** CELBAN (Canadian English Language Benchmarks Assessment for Nurses) with the following results:
 - IELTS (Academic; in-person test only): Speaking 7.0; Listening 7.0; Reading 6.5; Writing 6.5; Overall 7.0
 - CELBAN: Speaking 8.0; Listening 9.0; Reading 8.0; Writing 7.0
 - *Note: IELTS or CELBAN may still be required based on the country where your previous post-secondary or high school education was completed. The admissions office will determine this requirement.



- ***Important*: Completion of a mandatory course – PNUR 103 Human Anatomy & Physiology for Practical Nurses with a minimum grade of 65%.**
 - CMTN offers this course online – PNUR 103 (online; international course fee approx. C\$1400)
 - Other BC equivalent courses that are available include:
 - **Recommended:* HLTH 1121 from [TRU](#) (online self-paced; 30-week course)
 - BIO 159 from NIC
 - PPNP 101 from [COTR](#)
 - BIO 130 from CNC
 - PNUR 099 from NLC

NOTE: Conditional acceptance can be granted if you have any one item in progress. For example, if you need to take the PNUR 103 or equivalent course but have all the rest completed, provide us with documentation that you have it in progress and we will be able to grant conditional acceptance. Acceptance will be revoked if the pre-requisites are not met.

After completing academic requirements, applicants must work towards submitting supporting documents for practicum (Step 2). Some may be done while in Canada.

Step 2: Documentations must be submitted within one month from the program start date (specified deadline will be given).

- Criminal Record Check – provide a police check or certificate from your home country before arriving in Canada. Once arriving in British Columbia (BC), complete a Canadian Criminal Record Check online.
 - For the Canadian Criminal Record Check, applicants will receive a link to complete this online before the program starts (after arriving in Canada); it costs approximately **CAD 30**. Not receiving the link, please contact the admissions department.
- Immunization records – Highly recommended to complete the immunization form with as much information as possible from your home country. If you are unable to do this, you will be required to do so upon arrival in Canada at the public health units within the community in Canada. COVID vaccines are also mandatory for practicum coursework, and must be submitted.



- To do this in Canada, it will be free of charge if you are enrolled in a Medical Services Plan (MSP), a BC provincial health insurance program that provides coverage for medically necessary services.
- Required documents for submission: A completed immunization form done either in applicant's home country or Canada (either one)
 - Negative TB skin test or chest x-ray – can be done in your home country or in Canada.
 - Required documents for submission: A completed Negative TB skin or chest X-ray report done either in applicant's home country or Canada (either one). To do this in Canada, there will be a fee-associated with the service for approximately **CAD 40-50**
 - **CPR Level C** – specific certification required when in BC
 - Required documents for submission: A proof of course completion. This certificate typically takes 1-2 days to complete, with approximately **CAD 170-180**
[First Aid, Health & Safety \(coastmountaincollege.ca\)](https://www.coastmountaincollege.ca/first-aid-health-safety)

International Program fee: *Subject to change*

- 1st year (35 credits): Approximately CAD 29,000
 - This amount included insurance, student union fee, lab fee, etc. (exclude books/supplies)
- 2nd year: Approximately CAD 29,000 plus 2% increase

Admission Steps:

Application:

1. Apply online on Education Planner BC (EPBC); **CAD 100 application fee**
 - *Fall 2026 intake: Application opens on October 1, 2025*

Document Submission:

2. Submit all supporting documents and/or transcript(s) listed on Step 1 to admissions@coastmountaincollege.ca

****NOTE:** If you are currently enrolled in or in the process of completing PNUR 103 Human Anatomy & Physiology for Practical Nurses or an equivalent course, please submit proof of registration for PNUR 103 or its equivalent.

Conditional Qualified:

3. Tuition deposit of **CAD 14000** AND proof of registration of PNUR 103 or equivalency by the given deadline stated on applicants' conditional letter.

Official Acceptance:

4. Letter of Acceptance will be granted within 15 working days. PAL (Provincial Attestation Letter) will be granted in the same email if student is residing/applying outside of Canada.

Study Permit Application:

5. Apply for a Canadian Study Permit *as soon as possible* if you do not have one. More information: <https://www.coastmountaincollege.ca/international/how-to-apply/study-permits>

Last Stage of Admission Process:

6. Submit the midterm score for PNUR 103 or its equivalent by **a given deadline** and the final exam score by **a given deadline**. Failure to do so will result in the withdrawal of the Letter of Acceptance.
7. Unsuccessful completion or failure in PNUR 103 or its equivalent, a refund will be issued. **Please note that the PNUR 103 course fee is non-refundable.**

Study Permit decisions by IRCC (Canadian Immigration):

Study Permit Denial:

Request for refund or defer. For more information, refer Step 7 at this link: <https://coastmountaincollege.ca/admissions/international>

Study Permit Approval:

Arrive on campus location 5-7 days before the program start date.

<https://www.coastmountaincollege.ca/international/how-to-apply/pre-arrival-checklist>

Step 2 Requirements:

Documents listed on Step 2 must be submitted **within one month after the program start date.**