



*“I had a few choices of Nursing schools, but I chose Maria because it has a good support system and the professors are informative and patient.”*  
—Christopher Williams

2-Year Program (AAS)

# NURSING

**T**he Nursing curriculum moves from nursing theory to the art and science of patient care, integrating clinical experiences with formal classroom work. Courses are offered in day and evening divisions. Clinical laboratory experiences are conducted at Albany Medical Center, Bellevue Woman’s Center, St. Peter’s Hospital, Ellis Hospital, St. Margaret’s Center for Children, Capital District Psychiatric Center, Our Lady of Mercy Life Center, and selected community agencies.

All students must meet the health requirements of the Nursing program and health agencies. Satisfactory health clearance and a copy of current CPR registration must be on file in the department by August 15 in order to maintain admission status, and all forms are required prior to participation in each of the clinical courses (Nur 110, 120, 130, 240, 250, 260).

A student must obtain a minimum grade of C in all courses required in the Nursing program. (A grade of C- is not adequate to meet the minimum requirement of C.) The student must pass both theoretical and clinical components of a nursing course, or the course must be repeated in its entirety. Failure to successfully complete course work that is required by the Nursing program results in dismissal from the program. A student may repeat a nursing course only once. Readmission to the Nursing program is not automatic, is at the discretion of the Nursing chair and faculty, and may depend upon space availability.

Requests for readmission must be submitted by March 15 for the fall semester and October 15 for the spring semester. Readmission beyond Nursing 120 will require a written and skills examination. The student must be successful in both. Any student who fails two clinical nursing courses will not be readmitted to

## *Outcomes of the Nursing Program*

The outcomes of the nursing program are to:

1. Support the mission and goals of Maria College.
2. Educate students for entry level positions in current technological complex health care settings. (As measured by a graduation rate of 60%).
3. Provide a nursing curriculum that meets the needs of the local community agencies and to provide caring service to the community (As measured by employment rate of 90%).
4. Prepare the nurse to be eligible to take the NCLEX – RN Examination. (As measured by a NCLEX pass rate of 85%).
5. Foster the concept of lifelong learning for both personal and professional growth. (As measured by continuing education/professional activity rate of 80%).
6. Provide an educational program that prepares the graduate to accomplish their career goals. (As measured by student program satisfaction rate of 85%).

## *ADN Program Outcomes*

NCLEX results for 2009–90 took the Licensing Exam and 90% passed. The national pass rate for 2009 was 88.42%.

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