

# REGISTERED NURSE - CRITICAL CARE NURSING

**Program:** RNCC  
**Credential:** Ontario College Graduate Certificate  
**Delivery:** Part-time  
**Work Integrated Learning:** 1 Clinical Placement  
**Length:** 1 Semester  
**Duration:** 350 Hours  
**Effective:** Fall 2019  
**Location:** Barrie

## Description

Students in this program are provided with advanced theoretical and clinical knowledge to competently practice in critical care settings. A combination of classroom instruction, simulation lab practice and clinical placement are offered to advance the student's professional nursing practice in critical care settings. Emphasis is placed on advancing critical thinking, care planning, and leadership skills.

## Career Opportunities

Graduates of this program will be qualified to work within their scope of practice in the critical care setting.

## Program Learning Outcomes

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

1. create an environment of safe practice by performing competent and holistic care for patients experiencing multiple critical conditions according to the Standards for Critical Care Nursing in Ontario and the National Critical Care Nursing Standards;
2. integrate theoretical knowledge, high-level assessment skills, evidence informed practice, judgment and critical thinking into treatment modalities and nursing interventions for critically ill patients;
3. practice according to the professional and ethical standards of nursing emphasizing cultural sensitivity with diverse patients;
4. collaborate with patient, family and the interprofessional health care team in planning care for patients who are critically ill;
5. justify change in care according to altered patient status and responses to therapy;
6. prepare a care plan according to advanced assessment findings including lab values and diagnostic results to adequately implement interventions for critically ill patients;
7. utilize sustainable practices minimizing the environmental footprint consistent with the highest standards of practice in the critical care setting;
8. examine the concepts underpinning social entrepreneurship to gain a comprehensive understanding of the opportunities in critical care.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants must have successfully completed a diploma or degree in nursing from an accredited nursing education program. Applicants must also hold current registration with the nursing regulatory body in their home province/state and or country.

Applicants for whom English is a foreign language must provide proof of language proficiency. Please refer to Georgian's English Language Proficiency policy 2.5.

## Selection Process

Applicants may be required to submit a current letter from an employer's human resource department verifying the number of hours worked. Selection will be based on proof of 1500 hours in an acute care setting.

## Criminal Reference/Vulnerable Sector Check

Placement agencies require an up-to-date clear criminal reference check and vulnerable sector check prior to going out on placement. Students should obtain their criminal reference three months prior to placement; checks conducted earlier may not be considered current. As some jurisdictions require longer lead-time for processing, please check with the program coordinator to ensure you allow for sufficient turn-around time. It is the student's responsibility to provide the completed document prior to placement start.

NOTE: Individuals who have been charged or convicted criminally and not pardoned will be prohibited from proceeding to a clinical or work placement.

## Additional Information

Applicants must have up to date immunization records in compliance with the Public Hospital Act and current level HCP CPR.

## Graduation Requirements

7 Program Courses  
 1 Mandatory Professional Practice

## Graduation Eligibility

To graduate from this program, a student must attain a minimum of 60% or a letter grade of P (Pass) or S (Satisfactory) in each course in each semester. The passing weighted average for promotion through each semester and to graduate is 60%.

## Program Tracking

Semester 1		Hours
Program Courses		
RNRS 1047	Management of Burns and Renal Disorders	42
RNRS 1048	Rhythm Interpretation	42
RNRS 1049	Management of Cardiovascular Disorders	42
RNRS 1050	Management of Respiratory Disorders	42
RNRS 1051	Management of Neurological Disorders	28
RNRS 1052	Management of Gastrointestinal and Endocrine Disorders	42
RNRS 1053	Critical Care Nursing Simulation	28
Clinical Placement		
RNRS 1054	Critical Care Nursing Clinical Placement	84
Hours		350
Total Hours		350

## Graduation Window

Students unable to adhere to the program duration of one semester (as stated above) may take a maximum of one year to complete their

credential. After this time, students must be re-admitted into the program, and follow the curriculum in place at the time of re-admission.

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