# **The Nursing Program**

The mission and philosophy of the Aaniiih Nakoda Associates of Science Nursing Program reflects the Aaniiih Nakoda College core values and are congruent with its mission and goals. Aaniiih Nakoda College and Associates of Science Nursing program have administrative capacity which will result in effective delivery of the nursing program and the achievement of identified program outcomes.

# Mission Statement of Aaniiih Nakoda College

The mission of the Aaniiih Nakoda College is to provide quality post-secondary education for residents of the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation and surrounding communities. The College promotes individual and community development by maintaining and revitalizing the indigenous lifeways of the Aaniinen and Nakoda Tribes and by preparing students to succeed in an American technological society.



### NURSING PROGRAM

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# AANIIH NAKODA COLLEGE "GROW OUR OWN" NURSING PROGRAM









# ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING—REGISTERED NURSE (ASN-RN)

The ASN-RN degree program advances the mission of ANC in numerous ways. It has received approval from the Montana State Board of Nursing (BON), following a rigorous process that included a Phase I Feasibility Study (4.16.2015), a Phase II plan for establishing a nursing education program (4.13.2016), and a site visit from the BON's executive director (4.5-6.2016). The program has an evaluation plan that includes identified student performance outcomes and rigorous standards for achievement. These and other features of the proposed program help ensure academic quality.

## Curriculum

### Prerequisites:

- ♦ BIOH201/L201 & BIOH211/BIOHL211 (Anatomy & Physiology with Lab)
- ♦ CHMY121/L121 (Intro to Chemistry with Lab)
- ♦ M121 (College Algebra)
- AIS 155/150 (Aaniiih or Nakoda Language)
   may be corequisite
- AIS 100 (Intro to Native American Studies)
   may be corequisite
- SOCL 100 (Intro to Sociology) may be corequisite
- ♦ WRIT 101 (College Writing I)
- NUTR 221 (Basic Human Nutrition)
- ♦ PSYX100 (Intro to Psychology)
- BIOM250 /L250 (Microbiology for Health Sciences with lab)

### Level 1:

- ♦ NRSG135 Pharmacology
- ♦ NRSG130 Fundamentals of Nursing
- ♦ NRSG138 Gerontology
- ♦ NRSG 140 Core Adult Nursing
- NRSG 256 Pathophysiology

### Level 2:

- ♦ NRSG258 Mental Health Nursing
- ♦ NRSG 142 Core Maternal/Child
- ♦ NRSG 262 Complex Adult
- ♦ NRSG 252 Complex Maternal/Child
- ♦ NRSG 265 Advanced Clinical Skills
- ♦ NRSG 266 Managing Client Care

# AANIIIH NAKODA COLLEGE'S NURSING PROGRAM AND THE COMMUNITY

The program promotes community development by addressing two critical problems facing residents of the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation: 1-chronic poverty and high unemployment and 2—an acute shortage of technically and culturally competent nurses working in local health care facilities.

The program includes a strong cultural component. Instruction offered as part of the ASN-RN program is embedded in a teaching/learning context that reflects and affirms the lifeways and values of the Aaniinen and Nakoda tribes. Woven into the nursing education program is the grounding paradigm of the Medicine Wheel, which is common to many American Indian Tribes. Elders interact with nursing students on a regular basis to talk about traditional notions of health care, healing and wellness.