

# **Approved Alberta Nursing Education Programs**

**Nursing Education Program Approval  
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## Approved Registered Nurse Programs

### Introduction

The Nursing Education Program Approval Committee (NEPAC) list of Approved Nursing Education Programs includes Alberta approved education programs leading to initial entry to practice as a registered nurse. When a nursing education program is approved by NEPAC, the name of the program is added to the list and is circulated to stakeholders including the CARNA Registrar, Alberta Innovation and Advanced Education, and Alberta Health to provide notice that:

- Graduates of the approved nursing education program are eligible to write the registration examination approved by CARNA Provincial Council, and
- Successful candidates may then apply for initial registration with CARNA to commence practice as a registered nurse.

NEPAC may be one of several levels of approval required before a new nursing education program can commence. Additional approvals may still be required when a program has been approved by NEPAC and added to the list of approved nursing education programs. It is, therefore, recommended that the individual educational institution be contacted for information regarding the commencement of a specific nursing education program.

### Educational Institution and Program(s)

<b><u>Athabasca University</u></b>	■ Post-LPN to Bachelor of Nursing Program
<b><u>Grande Prairie Regional College</u></b>	■ University of Alberta Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) Collaborative Program
<b><u>Keyano College</u></b>	■ University of Alberta Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) Collaborative Program
<b><u>Lethbridge College</u></b>	■ Nursing Education in Southwestern Alberta (NESA): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Bachelor of Nursing Program (University of Lethbridge partner)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Bachelor of Nursing After Degree (University of Lethbridge partner)</li> </ul>
<b><u>MacEwan University</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program</li> </ul>
<b><u>Medicine Hat College</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ University of Calgary Bachelor of Nursing Program at the Medicine Hat College Site</li> </ul>
<b><u>Mount Royal University</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bachelor of Nursing Program</li> </ul>
<b><u>Red Deer College</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ University of Alberta Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) Collaborative Program</li> </ul>
<b><u>University of Alberta</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) Collaborative Program (University of Alberta, Grande Prairie Regional College, Keyano College, and Red Deer College partners)</li> <li>■ BScN – Honors Program (Edmonton only)</li> <li>■ BScN – After Degree Program</li> <li>■ BScN – Bilingual / Baccalauréat ès sciences infirmières (bilingue) Program</li> <li>■ BScN – Registered Psychiatric Nurse (RPN) to BScN Program</li> </ul>
<b><u>University of Calgary</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bachelor of Nursing Program</li> <li>■ University of Calgary Bachelor of Nursing Program at the Medicine Hat College Site</li> </ul>
<b><u>University of Lethbridge</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Nursing Education in Southwestern Alberta (NESA): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Bachelor of Nursing Program (Lethbridge College partner)</li> <li>◆ Bachelor of Nursing After Degree (Lethbridge College partner)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Approved Nurse Practitioner Programs

### Introduction

The NEPAC list of Approved Nursing Education Programs includes Alberta approved education programs leading to initial entry to practice as a nurse practitioner. When a nursing education program is approved by NEPAC, the name of the program is added to the list and is circulated to stakeholders including the CARNA Registrar, Alberta Innovation and Advanced Education, and Alberta Health to provide notice that:

- Graduates of the approved nursing education program are eligible to write the category-specific approved examination, and
- Successful candidates may then apply for initial registration with CARNA to commence practice as a nurse practitioner.

### Educational Institution and Program(s)

<u><b>Athabasca University</b></u>	Family / All Ages <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Master of Nursing: Advanced Nursing Practice Program</li> <li>■ Post-Master's Diploma: Advanced Nursing Practice Program</li> </ul>
<u><b>University of Alberta</b></u>	Family / All Ages <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Master of Nursing Clinical (leading to entry-to-practice as a Family/All Ages Nurse Practitioner) Program</li> <li>■ Post-MN Program (leading to entry-to-practice as a Family/All Ages Nurse Practitioner)</li> </ul>
	Adult <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Master of Nursing Clinical (leading to entry-to-practice as an Adult Nurse Practitioner) Program</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> Each category of education program corresponds to a specific CARNA approved examination that graduates will be eligible to write.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Post-MN Program (leading to entry-to-practice as an Adult Nurse Practitioner)</li> </ul>
	Neonatal <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Master of Nursing Clinical (leading to entry-to-practice as a Nurse Practitioner Neonatal)</li> <li>■ Post-MN Program (leading to entry-to-practice as an Neonatal Nurse Practitioner)</li> </ul>
	Child <sup>12</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Master of Nursing Clinical (leading to entry-to-practice as a Nurse Practitioner Child)</li> <li>■ Post-MN Program (leading to entry-to-practice as an Child Nurse Practitioner)</li> </ul>
<b><u>University of Calgary</u></b>	Adult <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Integrated Master of Nursing Nurse Practitioner Program</li> <li>■ Post-Master's Nurse Practitioner Diploma Program</li> </ul>

<sup>2</sup> The University of Alberta is not currently admitting students to this program.

## Approved Re-Entry to RN Practice Programs

### Introduction

The NEPAC list of Approved Nursing Education Programs includes Alberta approved education programs leading to re-entry to practice as a registered nurse. When a nursing education program is approved by NEPAC the name of the program is added to the list and it is circulated to stakeholders including the CARNA Registrar, Alberta Innovation and Advanced Education, and Alberta Health.

### Educational Institution and Program(s)

<b><u>MacEwan University</u></b>	■ Nursing Refresher Program
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