

RN Refresher FAQ's

How do I apply?

To apply, simply click on the **Printable Apply Now Information** link below the course session on the web site and follow the step-by-step instructions. *Please note* that you will also need to complete the criminal background investigation and drug test as part of the application process.

Is financial aid available?

At this time there is no financial assistance available for the RN refresher program. However, students who owe \$500 or more are eligible to setup a payment plan. Payment plans are generally split into 2 payments for Summer Semester and 3 payments for Fall and Spring Semester. Please scroll down lower in this document for more information on how to setup a payment plan.

How long will it take before I have an active license?

After successful completion of the course, the skills check list is mailed by the college to the State Board of Nursing. This process will take approximately two to three weeks.

What is the cost?

Currently, the RN Refresher program is competitively priced at \$2400.00 plus books and uniforms.

Will I need a uniform?

Yes, most local health care agencies require nursing staff to wear a uniform. Nurses typically wear blue uniforms.

What is the cost (or apx cost) for books and uniforms for the RN Refresher program?

Books cost *approximately* \$300.00.

Uniforms can be purchased at a local uniform shop ([AAA uniform shop](#)) with a 10% percent discount with student ID. Prices range from \$20-\$40.

How long will it take me to complete the program?

The program is a total of 240 hours broken into two portions: classroom and clinical.

The classroom component is 120 hours and runs a full semester; meeting one day a week for 8 hours.

The clinical rotation is also 120 hours and may start after completion of the 3 required labs and completion of all paperwork with the state.

I understand there is a clinical component, briefly explain, how does the clinical component work for this program?

Placement is done by the program coordinator. In this refresher program we attempt to match your background and future goals in nursing to the clinical rotation site. Required hours are determined by the State Board of Nursing (BON). When a preceptor is assigned completion of required paperwork is sent to the BON through the school and a temporary license is issued for the RN refresher program only. Once the clinical hours are completed the skills checklist is completed and returned to the Program Coordinator for processing to the BON.

Is my clinical placement “*guaranteed?*”

The 120 hour clinical component will be arranged for students in the program. This component has been designed to be a one-on-one clinical experience with a preceptor who will provide instruction, guidance, and support. Clinical rotations are *primarily* in the adult med/surgical units of the local hospitals.

Students are **NOT** to contact a clinical agency to negotiate a clinical placement. In addition, there are **NO** guarantees that students will be placed in the clinical agency of their choice. The timeframe to obtain a clinical placement can vary and **NO** guarantee of timeframe shall be otherwise construed. **NO** presumption of timeframe, placement, hours, shifts, employment, etc should be assumed by the student.

The University works with a variety of affiliates and agencies in this program. The University maintains **NO** authority over the affiliates and/or agencies that the University collaborates with for the program. Therefore, the University can make **NO** guarantee as to the policy, procedure(s), protocol, personnel, timeframe, etc of the clinical affiliates or of the [State Board of Nursing \(DORA.\)](#)

Is CPR certification required?

Yes, CPR certification is required. **The CPR training must be for Health Care providers.** Training can be done at local hospitals or with Cindy Slater of [Sav-A-Life](#) at 719 282-1779.

Will I need malpractice insurance?

Yes, Professional nursing insurance is **required** and can be obtained through [ANA](#) or [NSO](#) with an *approximate* cost of \$120.00 a year.

How much is Parking?

In order to park anywhere at the University, students must obtain a parking permit at their own expense. When requesting a parking permit, please advise Public Safety that you are registered as a student in the RN Refresher Course, and will be parking in LOT "N". Additionally, inform them that you will only need a permit for the class meeting days that fall on a weekday (Saturday parking is free.) Students are charged only for the days they need to park. This will assist Public Safety personnel with dispensing the proper parking permit. You can purchase the parking permit by going to the front desk in the parking garage located on the UCCS Main Campus.

****For current pricing and fees, contact Parking and Transportation Services, at 719-255-3528.****

RN Refresher-frequently asked questions related to the State Board of Nursing

What are the requirements to reactivate an inactive license?

Submit the reactivation application, current reactivation fee, and all required supporting documentation as outlined in the application. Note: nurses whose license have been inactive for two years or longer will be required to demonstrate continued competency as outlined in [Board Policy 10-03](#).

Where can I get the application to reactivate an inactive license?

You can download and print the application by going to the Licensee/Applicant services of the Board of Nursing web site: <http://www.dora.state.co.us/nursing> or you can have this application faxed directly to you by calling (303)894-7800, select option #6, then option #5, and follow the instructions for the Fax Back program.

How long will it take to process my reactivation application once I have submitted it to the Office of Licensing?

It will take approximately fourteen days to process **completed** applications. Incomplete applications or those applications requiring further information and/or special review will take longer to process.

Are there continuing education unit (C.E.U.) requirements to maintain inactive licensure or to reactivate an inactive license?

No. However, the Board does have continued competency requirements for those whose license has been inactive for two years or longer and want to reactivate. See [Board Policy 10-03](#), for continued competency requirements.

How to Enroll in the Payment Plan?



1 Go to www.uccs.edu/portal.
Choose **myUCCS Current Student Portal**.



2 Login with your UCCS Username and Password.

UCCS Username
UCCS Password
Log In
[Need password help?](#)

3 Click on **Students** Tab. Then, choose **View Your Balance**.

4 Scroll down to **Finances**. Choose **Account Inquiry**.

Student Financial Services
719-255-3391
bursar@uccs.edu
www.uccs.edu/bursar

Choose the **Account Services** tab. Then, choose the **enroll in payment plan** tab. Then, choose **3 Payment Plan** and click **NEXT** to continue onto the next page.

Review the installments and click **NEXT** onto the next page.

| Due Date | Installment | Administrative Fee | Total Installment |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 09/09/2010 | 1,158.98 | 35.00 | 1,193.98 |
| 10/10/2010 | 1,158.96 | | 1,158.96 |
| 11/09/2010 | 1,158.96 | | 1,158.96 |
| Total | 3,476.90 | 35.00 | 3,511.90 |

Confirm by checking "Yes, I have read the agreement" and then, click **ENROLL**.

2. Review Installments

You have selected 3 Payment Plan for Spring 2012.

The Three-Payment Plan is optional and allows you to pay your tuition bill in three payments instead of one.

| Due Date | Installment | Administrative Fee | Total Installment |
|--------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 02/01/2012 | 0.00 | 35.00 | 35.00 |
| 03/03/2012 | 0.00 | | 0.00 |
| 04/01/2012 | 0.00 | | 0.00 |
| Total | 0.00 | 35.00 | 35.00 |