



SMART START – CHATHAM BScN – YEAR 2

Dear Nursing Students,

Congratulations, after a lot of hard work you are officially a second-year Nursing Student!

On behalf of the faculty and staff of St. Clair College School of Nursing, we welcome you back. The second year of the Nursing Program is an exciting time full of new challenges and opportunities to develop as caring, effective, efficient, critical thinking professionals. We look forward to working with you towards the achievement of your professional and personal goals.

Attached is information and instructions to help you navigate the influx of information you will receive in preparation for the 2021-2022 academic year. Please see the [St Clair College Student Hub](#) for lots of helpful information about getting started at the College. I also encourage you to review the [Nursing BScN Program](#) website for more specific program information.

Every nursing student needs to meet clinical clearance requirements to attend the clinical placement sites. Your clinical clearance information is posted on the St. Clair College [Nursing BScN Program](#) website under the "Admissions" tab. For the second year of your program, you will not need to renew your First Aid training, however, your Vulnerable Sector Police Check and CPR with BLS requires annual renewal, while your N95 mask fit is good for 2 years. All of this information can also be found on the [Clinical Placement Requirements](#) website under the "Nursing BScN (H850/K950)" link. It's vital that you review these requirements as early as possible to ensure your requirements are met well in advance of your first clinical placement.

I wish to take this opportunity to extend my personal wishes for your continued success as you prepare for a rewarding career in your chosen Nursing field.

Have a wonderful summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Watson".

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COLLABORATIVE NURSING PROGRAM

VALUES AND PHILOSOPHY

The faculty of the Collaborative Nursing Program are committed to developing high quality professionals to meet the health care needs of our community. Facilitating quality learning through knowledge attainment and skill development is our priority. This excellence is accomplished by having a supportive team who put student learning needs first. Teaching is supported by the College of Nurses of Ontario (CNO) Practice Standards, including concepts of professionalism, safety, communication and use of the nursing process.

GETTING STARTED

Due to the COVID-19 virus the determination regarding in-person classes or virtual online classes will be decided later this summer. An announcement will go out to all students as soon as the decision has been made. All nursing labs and clinical will be in person.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Classes begin** September 7, 2021
- **Fall Reading Week** – Week of October 11th, 2021
- **Winter Reading Week** – Week of February 21st, 2022
- **Consolidation** – 2 weeks at the beginning of May, dates TBA

MEDICAL AND NONMEDICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL PLACEMENT

Clinical clearance is required before any student can attend the clinical setting. There are medical and non-medical requirements that must be met. Please refer to the [Clinical Placement Requirements](#) website under the “Nursing BScN (H850/K950)” link for detailed information. Your requirements will be clearly explained there as well as the process to electronically submit your documents for clearance. **If you have not received complete clinical clearance by the first day of clinical at CKHA you will not be eligible to go, there are no exceptions to this.**

Many of our clinical placement sites are requiring students to have their first COVID vaccine, as a minimum, to be eligible to attend clinical placement. Please note that COVID vaccination status will become a part of the clinical placement clearance requirements for fall 2021. A COVID vaccination is not a requirement to attend St. Clair College, however a vaccination may be required prior to attending clinical placement. This additional requirement will be added to the list of current vaccinations required on the Medical form for clearance. Students without their vaccinations cannot be guaranteed a clinical placement for their program and therefore will not be able to complete their programs.

The Health Centre at St. Clair College can provide the physical exam and all other vaccinations except for the COVID vaccine. To obtain the COVID vaccination, Students must arrange an appointment through Public Health, a participating pharmacy, or their health care provider.

If you have any questions, please contact our St. Clair College Health Centre at **519-972-2727 ext. 4484 (in Windsor)** or **519-354-9100 ext. 3729 (in Chatham)**.

CPR with BLS and N95 Mask fitting can be completed through any external organization that offers them. CPR cannot be completed entirely online. The practice and assessments for the course must be in person. If you are looking for a one stop shop for all of these, **Second Chance** at <https://www.sccpr.com/> can help.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Please see the program overview information which is available on this website link:

<https://www.stclaircollege.ca/programs/nursing-bscn>. The overview has a link to show you all the courses you must take to complete the BScN program.

TEXTBOOKS

Required textbooks can be found in the Campus Book Store under their course codes (see below). Should restrictions still be in place because of COVID-19, all course materials will be available online through the Book Store website and curb side pickup will be available. All books are searchable by the course code of the required textbook.

Here is the link to the Chatham bookstore site: <https://www.bkstr.com/stclairthamesstore>.

Third Semester Courses:

NURS 2130 Professional Nursing 3

NURS 2420 Holistic Health Assessment 2

NURS 2522 Clinical Practicum 2

NURS 2531 Experiential Learning Lab 3

NURS 2810 Adult Health and Health Alterations 1

NURS 2320 Pharmacology and Medication Management 2

PSYC 3390 Health Psychology

CONTACTS AND RESOURCES

Linda Watson is the Chair of the School of Nursing at the Chatham Campus. She can still be reached at 519-354-9100 ext. 3233 or via email at lwatson@stclaircollege.ca. If you have any concerns, questions or issues please contact her. Michele Rice is the coordinator for 2nd and 4th year and can be reached at her email mmrice@stclaircollege.ca or 519-354-9100, ext. 3251. She is checking her messages on both periodically throughout the summer. The nursing administrative assistant is Linda Quick. She can be reached at 519-354-9100 ext 3244 or email lquick@stclaircollege.ca.

SCHEDULES

Monday, September 6th is the Labour Day Holiday, so there are no classes that day. Please see the schedule of lab and classes for the first week of school below. A **MANDATORY** orientation is scheduled for Tuesday, September 7th. An online course outline review will be conducted for all students through the Blackboard Collaborative site for this clinical course from 0800 to 1000.

An in-person clinical review will then be in the lab rooms according to your clinical day – those in sections 501, 502, 503 and 504 who have a Tuesday clinical day will be in the lab rooms from 1200 to 1600. Those in sections 505, 506, 507 and 508 who have a Wednesday clinical day will be in the lab rooms from 1200 to 1600 (rooms will be posted on Blackboard). Attendance is necessary to enable you to go to clinical at the Chatham-Kent Health Alliance this year.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- To access your Blackboard courses please go to the [St. Clair College Student Hub](#) and review how to [“Complete the Student Responsibilities and Academic Integrity acknowledgements”](#) . Students will not have access to their course Blackboard sites until the acknowledgements are completed.
- The Cerner Learning Journey (2hours) must be completed on an annual basis. The link for training will be sent to you via your college email by the end of August. Please check your email regularly through the month of August for updates and follow the instructions.
- The hospital orientation is provided by online modules through Blackboard. You will see a course entitled “CNCR 16F” on your list of courses. Please go into this course after August 1st, 2021. Choose “Placement Orientation Southwestern Ontario Hospitals” from the menu at the left, read the instructions posted, then choose the “E-learning modules” folder and read the instructions posted. Begin the first module. You will need to achieve an 80% as a minimum grade on each module. You have unlimited attempts achieve this passing grade.

You will not be able to attend the hospital clinical setting until you are successful with all modules. Health and Safety modules must also be completed online with a successful mark of 80% for each. These must all be completed by Monday September 13th, otherwise you will not attend until this is completed.

Please see the schedule below for the first week of classes.

First Week of Classes:

Date	Class	Time	Room
Tues. September. 7 th	Online clinical orientation	08-10	Blackboard Collaborative
	In lab orientation for sections 501 to 504	12-16	TBA Mary Uniac Building
Wed. September. 8 th	In lab orientation for sections 505 to 508	12-16	TBA Mary Uniac Building
Thurs. September. 9 th	NURS 2420	08-11	110 (Section 501) and 105 (Section 502)
	NURS 2320	12-15	163/165
Fri. September. 10 th	NURS 2810	08-11	136
	NURS 2130	12-15	110 (Section 501 and 105 (Section 502)

Check to see what section you are in to determine what clinical rotation you will be on. There will be eight clinical groups. Four groups (501 to 504) will be in clinical Tuesday (start Sept. 14th) and the other four groups (505 to 508) will be in clinical Wednesday (start Sept. 15th). All clinical will be at the Chatham Kent Health Alliance. Please check blackboard for any last-minute scheduling changes.

Please make the necessary arrangements to carpool/sleep over etc. for clinical days. Take the summer to get that organized.

Outline for Lab Day Tuesday September 7th

08 – 1000 Course outline, clinical expectations

In lab (**either** Tuesday September 7th or Wednesday September 8th)

1000 – 1200 Travel and Lunch

1200 – 1300 Math review

1300 – 1400 Review of the hospitalized client – VS, basic care review, positioning/moving, documentation, Medication administration and sterile technique review

1400-1415 Break

1415 – 1600 Lab demonstrations – care of the hospitalized client with oxygen, IV sites, and removal, specimen collection, catheter removal.

Things to do over the summer

- Review your health assessments from NURS 1410 Holistic Health I.
- Review skills from NURS 1521 Experiential Learning Lab I.
- Review medical terminology.
- Review personal care skills, bathing, turning, repositioning, toileting, and transfers.
- Review metric conversions, 24-hour clock and basic math skills that we did in first semester, including the approved list of medication abbreviations.
- Review your math for meds. You will be required to complete the math for medication administration test, just as you did in first year. You will be permitted to check your calculations with a calculator during the math test. If you are unsuccessful at achieving 100% on your first attempt at the math test you will be able to rewrite it as needed but you must attend math tutoring prior to retesting. You will not be able to give any medications in clinical until you are successful on this medication math test.
- Prior to the orientation to clinical lab, read information on oxygen, IV site and management, IV removal, specimen collection and urinary catheter removal in your Nursing Fundamentals Textbook (Perry and Potter).

Have a wonderful, restful summer!