Most nursing graduates seek licensure with a professional body to be able to practice as a Registered Nurse. RN’s assess patient health problems and needs, develop and implement nursing care plans, deliver health education programs and provide consultative nursing services to promote, maintain and restore patient health.

**Key Skills & Knowledge**

- **Communication**: Active listening, sensitive and accurate articulation, to develop therapeutic relationships with patients, clients, and families and effective collaboration with other professionals
- **Analytical and Critical Thinking**: Comprehend, prioritize, and synthesize diverse kinds of information including scientific data and interpersonal cues for client-centred decision making
- **Practice Competencies**: Technical and psychomotor skills, including safe medication administration, use of technology and informatics, as appropriate in diverse practice settings
- **Evidence Informed Practice**: Understanding the sources of nursing knowledge, different kinds of research, and how knowledge is applied in practice


**Sample Job Titles**

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Some of these roles may require further training, certification or education. Check out the Alberta Government’s occupational profiles for salary info and more detail: [alis.alberta.ca/occinfo](https://alis.alberta.ca/occinfo)

**Need help deciding what to do?**

Formal Career Assessments like the Strong Interest Inventory and the Myers Briggs Type Indicator can be helpful tools for your career development. Request an assessment via [CareerLink](http://www.careerlink.ca/).
Potential Fields

Assisted Living / Residential Care for Seniors
Canadian Armed Forces / Military Clinics (ambulatory, medical and community)
Corporate Organizations
Diet Centers
Educational Institutions
Fitness and Wellness Centers
Government Services
Hospices
Home Care Agencies
Insurance Companies
Laboratories
Medical Equipment Sales Companies
National Institute of Health
Not for Profit Agencies
Nursing Homes
Pharmaceutical Companies
Primary Care Settings
Professional Health Associations
Publishers (Education Resources)
Recruitment Agencies
Regional Health Authorities
Rejuvenation Clinics
Research (Clinical Trials)

Associations & Professional Development

Aboriginal Health: Canadian Nurses Association
Alberta Gerontological Nurses Association
Alberta Occupational Health Nurses
Alberta Association for Parish Nursing Ministry
Alberta Hospice Palliative Care Association
Alberta Association of Registered Nurses in Private Practice
Canadian Holistic Nurses Association
Canadian Nurses Association
Canadian Association of Neuroscience Nurses
Canadian Nursing Students' Association
Canadian Association for Enterostomal Therapy
Canadian Association of Advanced Practice Nursing
Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses
Canadian Gerontological Nursing Association
Canadian Holistic Nurses Association
Canadian Vascular Access Association

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Travel Nursing: www.travelnurse.ca
Indeed: www.indeed.ca
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CareerLink: careerlink.ucalgary.ca

Student Clubs

- Undergraduate Nursing Society (UNS): nursing.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate/uns
- Nursing Guys Club: nursing.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate/nursing-guys-club

Books & Publications

- Nursing the Future (The Voice of the New Graduate)
- Career Paths of Nursing Professionals: A Study of Employment Mobility
- Nursing and Career Reference (Quick Study)
- The Nursing Profession (Development, Challenges and Opportunities)
- A Career in Nursing: Is It Right for Me?
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