



## **Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Announcement**

### **Unitek receives nursing-board approval to offer BSN program in Concord**

*Concord, California – December 14, 2020* – In November, Unitek received nursing-board approval to expand their BSN program to the Concord community. The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) pre-licensure program will provide students with a coveted degree in the healthcare industry.

Nurses equipped with a BSN degree often receive more opportunities in the field. High school graduates and Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVNs) may pursue this degree to further their education and take the next step in their careers. While a bachelor's degree isn't a requirement for RNs, BSN-trained nurses generally receive higher salaries, management positions, and leadership roles. A BSN degree can make a significant difference in the life and career of a healthcare professional.

"Unitek chose Concord because studies have shown that the San Francisco Bay Area is one of the fastest growing regions in California. They have seen a 9.3% increase from 2010-2018 alone," said Dr. Abdel Yosef, Chief Academic Officer at Unitek College. "Furthermore, in Contra Costa County, 29% of the population is over the age of 55. In addition, 23.4% of RNs are above the age of 60. These are both contributing factors to workforce shortage projections published by the [Healthforce Center at UC San Francisco](#)."

This program will give aspiring nurses in Concord the opportunity to earn their BSN degree at Unitek. Not only will they gain invaluable skills, but they'll benefit from the convenience of completing some of their required courses online. Unitek also utilizes a virtual platform with simulation training for the next generation of nurses. Active innovative in online teaching has become central to the mission of this educational institution.

Other benefits include experienced instructors, NCLEX-RN test preparation services, and employment support. The Concord campus has successfully prepared LVNs through their dedicated team and excellent NCLEX pass rates. With the addition of this RN program, they can better the community by preparing safe and competent RNs with BSN degrees.

"We are thrilled to offer the BSN program at our Concord campus," said Janis Paulson, Chief Executive Officer at Unitek College. "This is a big step forward for Unitek as we continue to educate the next generation of nurses. In extending our reach, we hope to better the communities around us through the advancement of education and healthcare."

Unitek College is one of California's reputable healthcare and nursing colleges. At their Concord campus, the BSN program is now pending approval from state and accrediting agencies. Every Unitek program teaches the clinical technique and theory used in the field today. Equipped with a multitude of sought-after skills, Unitek graduates are prepared to excel in many of the fastest-growing careers in healthcare and nursing.

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