Generic Nursing Program

PREREQUISITE COURSES

The following courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better in order to be eligible to apply:

1. Human Anatomy*
2. Human Physiology*
3. Microbiology*
4. General Psychology
5. English IA
6. Math 150 Statistics or higher with a "C" or better grade.
7. Medical Terminology
8. Psychology 16 - Life Span Development

Applicants with a combined total of more than one (1) repeat in Anatomy, Physiology, or Microbiology will be considered ineligible. Grades of D or F are considered repeats.

Anatomy, Physiology and Microbiology must be completed within the last 7 years. Science courses older than 7 years must be repeated. These courses must include labs.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

The California Board of Registered Nursing requires a valid **Social Security Number** (SSN) or **Individual Tax Identification Number** (ITIN) to apply for an RN license. Disclosure of your U.S. Social Security Number/ITIN is mandatory. Pursuant to the California Business and Professions Code, General Provisions, Section 30 (c), "… the board may not process any applicant for licensure unless the applicant provides a U.S. social security number." The Nurse Practice Act provides for a unified examination and licensing application. Once an applicant passes the examination, a license is automatically issued. Under these circumstances, the BRN cannot accept applications for the examination and licensure without a U.S. social security number. The California Board of Registered Nursing can be reached at https://www.rn.ca.gov/ or (916) 322-3350.

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Applicants without a college degree posted on their transcript must submit proof of high school completion as required by the California State Board of Registered Nursing for licensure. An official high school/GED transcript is required as proof completion OR

college degree. If you have a college degree, proof of completion of high school is not needed.

If high school was completed outside the United States, foreign high school must be officially evaluated using one of the official ECC approved evaluators. Translations will not be accepted. You will need to provide ONE "General Report" from the evaluators. For some companies, you must allow at least 3 weeks for processing. It is the applicant's responsibility to plan ahead.

GPA REQUIREMENT

1. Applicants must have at least an overall GPA of 2.5 in all college courses since high school
2. Applicants must have at least a 2.5 GPA in the Sciences (Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology) to be considered eligible for admission consideration.

NURSING INFORMATION SESSIONS

Nursing Information session are held by the Nursing Counselor. Attending the workshop is mandatory prior to applying for admission to the nursing program.

GENERAL EDUCATION

Students enrolled in the nursing program are required to complete ALL General Educations before graduation. The nursing department faculty strongly recommended that you complete the required prerequisites prior to beginning the nursing program. Equivalent courses taken at another college may be used to meet these requirements. **Effective fall 2020 the General Education requirements for the nursing program will change as follows:**

- English 1C, 1CH, (Note: students may substituted any of the following courses to meet the English 1C requirement - Philosophy 105, 105H, 106, Psychology 3, 3H, or Communication Studies 120).
- Communication Studies 100 will replace English 1B and English 1BH as a graduation requirement (Note - any 3-unit course from Communication Studies 120, 130, 140 may be substituted for Communication Studies 100.
- Psychology 5 or 5H
- Sociology 101, 101H or Anthropology 2
- Humanities - Any 3 unit course from area 3 of the A. S. Degree Requirements.

* All *general education courses may be taken prior to admission to the nursing program or in conjunction with the nursing program.*