San Diego City College Information for Prospective RN and RN to LVN Students

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- Acceptance into the nursing program is based on the MultCriteria Point system from the California Community College Chancellor's office in coordination with the Nursing Advisory Committee (3NAC). See attached grid.
- **The minimum to apply is Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology, and the TEAS exam. Please see MultiCriteria Point System.**
- Students must take Humanities (3 units) to graduate (See catalog for a list of courses.
- **As of March 22, 2023 the TEAS Policy is:**
  Students must pass the Test of Essential Academic Skills(TEAS) assessment test with a score of 62% overall score. **Only the most current passing TEAS exam with a 62% overall score must be uploaded to the application.** The TEAS version 6 will be accepted through the 2023 application period. Starting with the 2024 application period the TEAS 7 version will only be accepted. **The TEAS test should be taken after the science and general education courses are completed and the student has prepared for the test. There is no limit on the attempts of the TEAS exam, but after the first attempt without a successful score, the student must do remediation and upload remediation completion to the application.**

  TEST OF ESSENTIAL ACADEMIC SKILLS (TEAS)

  www.atitesting.com or call 1-800-667-7531

- A student must complete the general education courses with a letter grade of "C" or higher with grades showing on the student's transcript.
- It is recommended that all general education courses be completed before starting the nursing education program. All courses are required to obtain points in the fixed set category.
- Students must have a San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) ID to apply to the nursing education program.
- All transcripts must be sent to the district office for evaluation. Send all transcripts except SDCCD transcripts to this website transcripts@sdccd.edu
  and use the form to request transcript evaluation. Follow the directions on the website. Transcripts must be sent in asap after completion of requirements.
  An approved evaluator must evaluate foreign transcripts. Please see counseling for approval and guidance. https://www.sdcity.edu/students/counseling/index.aspx

Prerequisite Science Courses:

Biology 107- Human Biology (prerequisite to 205,230, 235 if taken at SDCCD)
Biology 230 Anatomy
Biology 235 Physiology
Chemistry 100, L (a prerequisite to 205 if taken at SDCCD)
Biology 205 Microbiology
The three science courses may be taken in any order. The three science courses are mandatory to apply to the nursing education program as required by the Board of Registered Nursing.   If a class has a required, prerequisite that must be taken before the course.
Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 in Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology. All courses must have labs. Courses may be taken online but must have a lab. As of March 22. 2023, no recency of the science courses is required.
As of March 22, 2023, the policy regarding the repeat of the science courses is as follows: Applicants with a combined total of more than one (1) repeat in Anatomy, Physiology, or Microbiology within the last 5 years, will be considered ineligible. A withdrawal or incomplete is not considered a repeat.

General Education Courses:

Students are responsible for completing the General Education requirements for the Associate's Degree in Nursing (ADN) before taking the National Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN). Each student must plan to complete these courses promptly. Make sure to meet with Counseling for an Educational Plan for completing the degree requirements on time.
English 101 – English (or higher)
Psychology 101- General Psychology (or higher)
Math 119- or Math 119x Statistics
Sociology 101, Sociology 145 (highly recommended) or Anthropology 103
Communications 103 (Oral Communications)

Additional Courses to Transfer

California State Universities (CSUs)	Proprietary (Private Non-Profit) Universities
English 205 or Phil 100 Math 119 Statistics or Psychology 258 2 more courses in area C (see CSU general ed) American Institutions 6 units Ethnic Studies are required to graduate from CSU unless a student has a BA or BS degree.	Math 119 Statistics or Psychology 258 1 more Humanities

Three educational options are available to meet licensure eligibility:

1.	ASSOCIATES DEGREE NURSE (GENERIC)- Upon successful completion of the two-year nursing curriculum, all Nursing admission requirements, and college graduation requirements, the student is awarded an Associates of Science Degree and is eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX RN).

2.	ASSOCIATES DEGREE NURSE (LVN-RN)- Licensed Vocational Nurses who have graduated from accredited schools of vocational nursing may apply for this option which requires completion of a "transition" course, in the fall semester before the spring beginning, all second-year nursing courses, and college graduation requirements. The student is awarded an Associate of Science Degree and is eligible to take the NCLEX-RN.

3.	LVN THIRTY-UNIT OPTION- Licensed Vocational Nurses who desire to complete the minimum number of units (30) required to take the licensure examination may apply for this option. Students who complete this option (30/45 units) will take NCLEX-RN as a non-graduate. This status will not change even if a student goes on to obtain a degree. There is a restriction to practice within California. The student may have difficulty transferring to another state or territory. The student may also have difficulty applying to a college/university for an advanced degree. You must contact the Director of Nursing Education for more information regarding this option.

TRANSFER/ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Applicants who wish to transfer from another school of nursing or who are graduates of approved schools of vocational nursing must meet all general entrance requirements of the Associate's Degree of Nursing, including completion of designated prerequisites and the TEAS Exam. Acceptance of transfer students into the Nursing Education program is contingent upon space availability.

Interested candidates must schedule an appointment with the Program Dean/Director to discuss eligibility. Applicants who may be eligible for advanced placement include those individuals who have satisfactorily completed within the last one (1) year:

1. Nursing courses from an accredited school of Registered Nursing
2. An accredited psychiatric technician program or
3. Courses that the school determines as equivalent to the courses in the current nursing program.

CHALLENGE/ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Applicants with health-related education experience within the last 2 years may be eligible to challenge nursing courses by examination. Challenge examinations for credit based on previous education/experience must be requested by the student at least six weeks before admission to the Associate's Degree Program. Students must meet all general entrance prerequisites and the TEAS. Exam. Acceptance of students into the Associate's Degree Nursing Program wishing challenge by examination is contingent upon space availability. Interested candidates must schedule an appointment with the Dean of the Associate's Degree Nursing program to determine eligibility.

1. Students who believe they are eligible to challenge courses by examination must file a petition for a challenge with the Dean of Nursing Education (A maximum of 15 units may be challenged by exam).
2. Written and clinical competency examinations for advanced placement or challenge must be completed six weeks before admission to the program unless waived by the Dean/Director of Nursing Education.
3. Upon challenge confirmation, applicants must file a petition for Credit by Examination with the Evaluations office. A processing fee will be assessed.

SELECTION OF APPLICANTS

Multi-Criteria Point System

Admission to the program is determined through the use of the California Community College Chancellor's Office multi-criteria point system. The multi-criteria point system. The multi-criteria point system includes, but is not limited to, pre-requisite course GPA in three science classes, a FIXED SET GPA, TEAS score, degrees, CNA health care work experience, life experiences, and second language proficiency. Please see the next page for the grid.

The following multi-criteria point system was revised on March 22. 2023

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE Multi-Criteria Point System CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN COORDINATION WITH NURSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (3 CNAC)		
CRITERIA	100 POINTS POSSIBLE	EXAMPLE OF POINT DISTRIBUT TION
Academic degrees or college diplomas, or relevant certificates held by an applicant	**10 points maximum**	Points are awarded for degrees earned in the United States from a regionally accredited college only. **Academic degree(Associates, Bachelor's, Master's)= 5 points** **College diploma (3-year degree) = 5 points** **LVN License =5 points (must be current)** **CNA License or Allied Health Certificate = 5 points (must be current)**
Grade Point Average in relevant coursework	**20 points maximum**	Minimum 2.5 GPA in Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology. **GPA =4.0: 20 points** **GPA=3.5- 3.99 18 points** **GPA 3.0- 3.49: 16 points** **GPA 2.5- 2.99: 15 points**
Grade Point Average in " fixed set: coursework	**20 points maximum**	Fixed Set" GPA (English, Intermediate Algebra, Speech/ Communication, Psychology, Behavioral or Social Science/Anthropology – **MUST have all**) **GPA= 4.0: 20 points** **GPA= 3.5- 3.99: 18 points** **GPA= 3.0- 3.49: 16 points** **GPA=2.5- 2.99: 15 points**
TEAS (Assessment/Readiness Test results in Test of Essential Academic Skills ATI TEAS only (TEAS 6 will be accepted until the application period of 2023).	**20 points maximum**	**20 points will be awarded for a TEAS Test with an overall 62 % or higher score.**
Documented proficiency or advanced level of coursework in languages other than English.	**10 Points maximum**	10 points total for the ability to communicate in a health care setting in a language other than English, including American Sign Language. Provide 3rd level (3 semesters) language course information. Provide proof on transcripts and the **SDCC language certification form**
Life experience or special circumstances of an applicant, including but not limited to the following: a. Veteran or active military status (including spouse) b. Disabilities c. Low family income d. The first generation of the family to go to college e. Need to work during prerequisites f. Disadvantaged social or educational environment g. Difficulty with personal or family circumstances h. Refugee	**8 points maximum**	Criteria/application requirement a. Copy of DD214 form for a veteran or military ID for activity duty b. Disability Certification Form **disability-certification-form** c. Documented eligibility for Financial Aid, CAL Works, BOGFW_G, Federal Pell Grant or EOPS d. Written statement from the applicant e. **Work/Volunteer Certification Form** F. EOPS verification g. Written statement from the applicant about a single parent, deployed spouse, family caregiver, death of a family member within 6 months, medical problems, and financial issues. h. Copy of current Refugee card.
Relevant health-related work or volunteer experience **Must be a minimum of 100 hours in the past three years**	**12 points**	Must be documented on the **work/volunteer certification** form.

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