

RN/ADN General Education and Prerequisite Courses

The Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADN) is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) and is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN). The ADN program requires four semesters and an intercession, excluding completion of prerequisite courses. Upon completion of program, the graduate earns an Associate in Science Degree in Nursing and is eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) for licensure as a Registered Nurse in the State of California.

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<h2 style="text-align: center;">GENERAL EDUCATION</h2> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(one 3 or more unit course from each category)</i></p> <p>The General Education GPA must be at least 2.5 for first semester applicants. The General Education GPA for 1st semester applicants will be calculated using one course from each of these 6 areas plus Psychology 9 & CHE-2A or 3.</p>	<h2 style="text-align: center;">PREREQUISITES</h2>		
<i>English Composition</i>	Biology 50A (formerly Anatomy & Physiology 2A)		Biology 50B (formerly Anatomy & Physiology 2B)
English 1A or 1AH	Biology 55 (formerly Microbiology 1)		Psychology 9
<i>American Institutions</i>	Chemistry-2A or 3 Or pass AP Chemistry test with a 3 or higher.		
History 6,6H,7,7H,8*,9*,11,12,15,26*,28,29,31,34 or Political Science 1,1H,5	Biology-1 <i>(Prerequisite for BIO 50A)</i> BIO-1 is the prerequisite for BIO 50A, but NOT a prerequisite for the ADN program. If you completed the A&P series previously at RCCD or at another college you will NOT be required to take BIO-1 to enter the program.		
<i>Social and Behavioral Science</i>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Prerequisite GPA</h3>		
Sociology 1 or Anthropology 2	The combined GPA for BIO 50A & BIO 50B and BIO 55 must be at least 2.5 for 1st semester RN applicants.		
<i>Communication</i>	AAA= 4.0	ABC= 3.0	BCC= 2.33
Communication 1, 1H or 9, 9H	AAB= 3.66	BBB= 3.0	CCC= 2.0
<i>Analytical /Critical Thinking</i>	BBA= 3.33	BBC= 2.66	
Math 12 or 12H	AAC= 3.33	ACC= 2.66	
<i>Humanities</i>	The above GPA values may only apply if the 3 courses are all the same unit value. If the A&P courses and Microbiology have differing unit values, the GPA must be calculated accordingly.		
ASL 1,2,3,4,5 Architecture 36* Art 1,2,2H,3*,4,5,6,6H,7,8,9,10,11*,12,13,14,15*,16*,17*,18*,19*,20*,21*,22*,23*,24*,25AB*,26*,27*,28AB*,30AB*,34*,35AB*,36AB*,38*,39*,40AB*,41AB*,42AB*,43AB*,44ABC*,45*,46*,47*,48AB*,49AB*,50AB*,51AB*,200* Communication Studies 7*,11 Dance 6 or 6H,7*,8*,9* English 1B or 1BH, 6,7,8,9,11,12,14,15,16,17ABC,*18,20,23,25,30,34,35,38*,39*,40,41,44,45,47*, 48 Film Studies 1,1H, 2,3,4,5,7,8 Film Television and Video 11*,12,38ABC*,41*,42*,43*,44ABC*,46*,48*,51ABC*,52*,53*, 64A*,65,66*,67*,68*,70*,71A*,72*,73*,74*,75*,76*,79* Foreign Language: ARA 1,2,3,8,11; CHI 1,2,11; FRE 1,2,3,4,8,11; GER 1,2,3,11; ITA 1,2,3,11; JPN 1,2,3,4,11; KOR 1,2,11; LAT 1,2; POR 1,2; RUS 1,2,3,11; SPA 1 or 1H,1A,1B,2,3,3N,4,8,11,12 History 1,2,4*,5* Humanities 4 or 4H, 5 or 5H,8,9,10 or 10H,11,16,18,20ABC*,23,35 Music 1*,2*,3*,4*,5*,6*,8AB*,9*,10*,12*,19,20,21,22,23,25,26,27*,28*,29*,30*,31*,32ABCD*,33*,34*,35*,36*,37*,38*,39*,40*,41*,42*,43ABC*,44*,45*,46*,47*,48*,49*,50*,51*,52*,53*,54*,55*,56*,57*,58*,59*,60*,61*,62*,63*,64*,65*,66*,67*, 68*,69*,70*,71*,72*,73*,74*,75*,76*,77*,78*,79*,80*,81*,82*, 83*,84*,85*,86*,87*,88*,89 or 89H,92*,93*,94*,95*,96*,97*,P12*,P27*,P28*,P36*,P44*,P70*,P77*,P84* Philosophy 10 or 10H,12,13,14,15*,19,22,33,35 Photography 8* Theater Arts 2*,3,4*,5*,6*,9,25*,26*,29,30*,32*,33*,34*,35*,36*,37*,38*,39*,41*,44*,46*,48*, 49*,54*, 200*	<p>Applicants who have completed ALL prerequisites AND general education courses BEFORE applying have a much greater chance of being admitted.</p> <p>Getting into the RN program is competitive. Please refer to the Enrollment Criteria for detailed admission information. Applicants who are invited to the RN program must have a valid U.S. Social Security number, pass the background check, drug screening and health clearances before enrolling. There is no waiting list.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Application Period:</p> <p>-First business day in <u>July</u> - first business day in <u>August</u> to apply for SPRING semester.</p> <p>-First business day of <u>November</u> - first business day in <u>December</u> to apply for FALL semester.</p>		

*Does not meet CSU GE Certification Requirement. Please see college catalog for more information.

Enrollment Criteria for 1st Semester ADN Students

CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS FOR THE CATEGORY	POINT DISTRIBUTION
1	Academic degrees from regionally accredited program. 5 points	BS/BA 5 points
2	Grade point average in relevant course work. ADN/BSN Concurrent Enrollment Program applicants must meet the overall minimum GPA of 2.75 in all RCC nursing preadmission required courses and an overall GPA of 2.75. 49 points	a. Minimum 2.5 GPA in anatomy, physiology, and microbiology. GPA = 4.0 35 points GPA = 3.5 30 points GPA = 3.0 25 points GPA = 2.5 20 points b. Minimum 2.5 GPA in all remaining general education courses required for graduation. GPA = 4.0 14 points GPA = 3.5 12 points GPA = 3.0 10 points GPA = 2.5 8 points c. For applicants with a Bachelor's degree, the GPA points will be calculated from the grades in English, Psychology 9, Chemistry, Speech and Sociology/Cultural Anthropology.*
3	Life experiences or special circumstances of an applicant, including by not necessarily limited to, the following: a. Disabilities b. Low family income c. First generation of family to attend college d. Need to work e. Disadvantages social or educational environment f. Difficult personal and family situations or circumstances g. Refugee 2 points	Two points total for life experiences
4	Veteran 5 points	Five points for veterans. Proof will be verified through Veteran Services.
5	Proficiency or advanced level course-work in languages other than English. Credit for languages other than English shall be received for languages that are identified by the Chancellor's Office. 2 points	Two points total for language proficiency.
6	Assessment/readiness test results. 30 points	The points assigned are dependent upon the test cut score. For ATI TEAS 6 Edition: 90 to 100 = 30 points 78 to 89 = 25 points 71 to 77 = 20 points 62 to 70 = 15 points
7	Recent work or volunteer experience with direct human patient care within the past 5 years. Must have verification from human resources or employer verifying the number of hours worked and job title. All must be submitted by the student by the application deadline. 7 points	Licensed VN, Paramedic, Respiratory Therapists; documented medical military experience, (all with work experience ≥ 1000 hours) = 5 points. OR CNA or EMT (all with work experience ≥ 1000 hours) = 3 points. OR Health Scholar Program or other program of volunteer activity ≥ 200 hours with direct human patient care contact = 1 points. ----- AND ----- NXN-84 Prepare for Success in Nursing School with a "Pass" or better = 2 points. OR NRN-93 Dosage Calculations for Medical Professionals with a "B" or better = 2 points.

* Bachelor's degree students must have minimum of 6 semester or 9 quarter units in principles of verbal, written, and group communication (English and Communication) and 16 semester or 24 quarter units in related natural (anatomy, physiology, microbiology, chemistry) and behavioral and social (sociology, cultural anthropology, human development) sciences (California Nursing Practice Act, 2008).