To be considered for entrance, all prerequisites and previous nursing courses must be completed with a 2.5 GPA or higher. Completing the prerequisites, however, does not assure admission into the program.

Students will be admitted to the program based on their scholastic eligibility and placement on a nursing assessment test as per SB 1309.

**SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY:** Scholastic eligibility is determined through the California Community College Chancellor's Office approved formula which calculates the student's probability of successfully completing the ADN program. The formula uses the following criteria:

- Core Biology GPA - all Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology courses taken at the college level.
- Core Biology repetitions - the number of times a student has repeated a Core Biology course including withdrawals.
- English GPA - all credit English course grades regardless of the level of the course.
- Overall GPA - the college GPA as it appears on college transcripts excluding non-credit and not-for-credit courses.
- Students must have a minimum required score of 70 to be eligible for admission.

To be more competitive for admission, students are encouraged to:

- Complete all courses without repeating or withdrawing
- Minimum of a 3.0 GPA in all Biology courses
- Minimum of a 3.0 GPA in all English courses
- Minimum of a 2.5 cumulative GPA

**ASSESSMENT TEST:** Qualified applicants will be required to take a state approved nursing assessment test. Students must rank at the required level to be eligible for admission into the program. Currently, this is a 62% (TEAS V) composite score based on the California Community College Chancellor's Office recommendation. Valid photo ID must be presented at time of test.

**RN Program:** Final selections are made using both multi-criteria screening for ranking and random selection. Qualified applicants not selected must reapply in order to be considered. The Allied Health and Public Safety Division Office does not retain applications.

Students not meeting eligibility criteria are given a remediation plan. After successful completion, students are eligible to reapply for random selection. If the remediation plan is not complete by the deadline, the student is no longer eligible to apply to the program.

**LVN to RN Program:** Applicants accepted into the program will first enroll in Nursing 109, Transitions into Nursing. Upon completion of Nursing 109, the student will be placed on a waitlist (by application date) to progress in the program on a space-available basis. Qualified applicants not selected must reapply in order to be considered.

Students not meeting eligibility criteria are given a remediation plan. After successful completion, students are eligible to reapply and will be placed on a waitlist (first-come, first-serve) upon receipt of application and all required documentation. If the remediation plan is not complete by the deadline, the student is no longer eligible to apply to the program.

**30-Unit Option:** The LVN who chooses the "30 Unit Option" must have met the microbiology and physiology requirements with a grade of C or better. The applicant must then take Nursing 109, 126, 234 and 240. Upon satisfactory completion of these courses, the applicant would be eligible to apply to take the RN licensure examination. NOTE: Students who complete this option (30 units) will take NCLEX-RN as a non-graduate. This status will not change even if student goes on to obtain a degree. There is no restriction to practice within California. The student may have difficulty in transferring to another state or territory. The student may also have difficulty applying to a college/university for an advanced degree.

Applicants to this curriculum alternative must meet with the Program Director for objective counseling that includes admission process, course requirements, and the advantages/disadvantages of this route to licensure. TEAS test is required, but results will not deny admission to the program. The applicant is not required to meet college admission requirements.

**Transfer:** Students may apply to the RN program by transfer or challenge. Students are not allowed to transfer into the first semester; students must enter first semester as a generic student. Students are only eligible to be considered for transfer if they have been in a nursing program within 12 months of the day their application is accepted and are eligible to re-enter their previous program. Students who have been out of a nursing program for more than 12 months must apply as beginning students. Selected applicants must attend a mandatory orientation and complete Nursing 109, Transitions into Nursing. Upon completion of Nursing 109, the student will be placed on a waiting list until an opening in the appropriate course becomes available. Interested students must begin the process by following the Transfer Process in the RN Brochure.
Foreign RN Applicants: Applicants that have been advised by the BRN to take specific courses for licensure must submit an Nursing Program Application, along with the BRN letter, to the Allied Health and Public Safety Division Office. Selected applicants must attend a mandatory orientation and complete Nursing 109, Transitions into Nursing. Upon completion of Nursing 109, the student will be placed on a waitlist to enter the BRN required course(s) on a space-available basis. NOTE: Students advised by the BRN of a deficiency in Medical-Surgical Nursing, must apply to the RN Program. To apply, follow the Application Procedure in the RN Brochure.