

Admission into the Nursing Pre-licensure Track

Purpose: To describe the requirements and process of admission into the pre-licensure nursing track.

Policy:

1. Applicants to the nursing program must first be admitted to the University as freshman or transfer student thus meeting admission criteria for the California State University.
2. A complete application includes the following
 - a. Acceptance to the University
 - b. Completed supplemental application to the Nursing Program
 - c. Official college transcripts
 - d. Application fee
 - e. Two business size envelopes with a stamp and your address
 - f. Course Descriptions for courses that do not appear on our equivalency/articulation grid
3. The application period to the nursing program opens bi-annually on December 1st and closes January 15th for fall admission; and opens August 1st and closes August 31st for spring admission of any given year.
4. Applicants with incomplete files are notified in writing and the given the opportunity to complete the file up to the published deadline. After that time, the selection process begins and incomplete applications are not considered in the applicant pool.
5. Admission criteria for the nursing program, outlined in the nursing application, include the following:
 - a. Completion of the eight prerequisites (General Chemistry, Human Anatomy with lab, Human Physiology with lab, Microbiology with lab, English, Critical Thinking, Speech, and Statistics).
 - b. A grade of C or better in each of the prerequisite courses.
 - c. No more than two prerequisites may be repeated one time each (one science and one non-science).
 - d. At least four of the prerequisite courses must be completed at the time of application to the program, including at least two prerequisite science courses and two non-science courses.
 - e. All courses must be completed prior to the start of the semester for admission. Official transcripts for all courses that were in progress or planned must be received at least one week before classes begin. If students do not earn a C or better, admission will be rescinded and space

will go to the next student on the alternate list. The student can reapply for admission the following year if they are still eligible.

- f. GPA requirements include: Overall GPA of 3.0, a science GPA of 3.0 in the prerequisite science courses, and a non-science GPA of 3.0 in the non-science prerequisites.
 - g. Completion of the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) with a minimum test score (Adjusted Individual Total Score) of 70% on the ATI TEAS test. Only the highest of the first three TEAS test scores will be used for admission evaluation.
6. Points are awarded to each applicant based on individual evaluation of the following:
 - a. ATI TEAS score: 0- 25 points
 - b. Overall GPA: 0- 25 points
 - c. Science GPA: 0-25 points
 - d. Overall Non-Science GPA 0-25 points
 7. Additional points are awarded for:
 - a. Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology, Chemistry, or Statistics completed at CSU Stanislaus: 0 to 10 points (2 points each)
 - b. Permanent residency in one of the six counties in the CSU Stanislaus service region: 0 or 5 points
 - c. Health care experience: volunteer, paid, or course work, with points varying between 0 to 5 points. Refer to application
 - d. Bilingual (including American Sign Language): Points vary from 0 to 5 points based in fluency. Refer to application
 8. The highest ranking students are offered admission and the remaining eligible applicants are placed on an alternate list. There is no waiting list, and any alternates not gaining admission may reapply.
 9. All applicants are notified of selection, alternate status, or disqualification with the reason(s) listed. All are invited to call the nursing office if they feel a discrepancy has occurred.