



RN to BSN Program

Eligibility Requirements:

- Associate's degree in nursing
- Valid California RN license (or eligible to take the NCLEX-RN by the first day of classes)
- Admission to SJSU
- All college GPA **2.75**
- All nursing prerequisites grade "C" minimum
- Completion of all transfer requirements*
 - Speech
 - Critical thinking
 - Statistics
 - Chemistry

*Please see a GE Counselor at your school for transfer planning

**THE VALLEY FOUNDATION
SCHOOL OF NURSING**

**APPLY TO SJSU
THROUGH
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INFORMATION,
PLEASE VISIT OUR
WEBSITE AT
SJSU.EDU/NURSING,
WHERE YOU CAN
FIND GROUP
ADVISING TIMES,
APPLICATION
INFORMATION, AND
THE PROGRAM
COURSE OF STUDY**

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Admission Requirements

- Admission to SJSU (2.75 GPA, CA RN License)
- Completed School of Nursing Application
- Copy of Writing Skills Test (WST) results
- Copy of current RN license
- Official Copies of college transcripts
- Continuous enrollment in SJSU
- All nursing prerequisites grade "C" minimum
- Completion of all transfer requirements (Speech, Critical thinking, Statistics, Chemistry)

Program Overview

- 120 units for the BS in Nursing Degree
 - 70 units transferred from community college
 - 21 units SJSU Nursing Courses
 - 9 units Advanced GE (SJSU Studies)
 - 20 units for other Community College Courses based on transcript review

Bridge Semester Coursework

- Nursing 124 (Theory) 3 units
- Nursing 144 (Clinical Application) 2 units
- Nursing 128 (Research, EBP) 2 units
- Advanced GE #1 (100W)* 3 units

Total: 10 units

*After completing the Bridge Semester, you will join our regular nursing students for your last two semesters, Community Health (Semester 5) and Leadership (Semester 6)

Community Health- Semester 5

- Nursing 127B 2 units
- Nursing 137 2 units
- Nursing 147B 3 units
- Advanced GE #2 3 units

Total: 10 units

Leadership- Semester 6

- Nursing 138 (Leadership) 3 units
- Nursing 148A* 4 units
- Advanced GE #3 3 units

Total: 10 units

*Clinical or Project

Graduation

Once you complete the following, you are eligible to graduate:

- Core general education
- Advanced GE
- University graduation requirements
- Nursing major requirements

Advanced GE (SJSU Studies)

- Graduation requirements from SJSU include:
 - ❖ 3 advanced GE courses, one course from area R, V, Z; one of these courses is 100W a writing course.
 - ❖ Successful WST is strongly recommended before entry into the Bridge program and is required before enrolling in advanced GE courses

Next Steps

- Schedule your WST: Given 4 - 6 times per year. Register and pay (\$38 registration fee) at student services. <http://testing.sjsu.edu/wst/>
- Apply to SJSU online as an **RN to BSN Major**
 - ❖ <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>
Applications are accepted twice a year
 - **Fall Admission: October 1st – November 30**
 - **Spring Admission: August 1st – September 30**
- Complete a second application for the RN to BSN program
 - ❖ **Applications are accepted twice a year and will be due after the University applications – See TVFSON website for details**
- Former SJSU students must also complete an addition form which can be signed by the RN to BSN advisor.
 - ❖ <https://vpsaweb7.sjsu.edu/FSRpetition.pdf>
 - ❖ Please complete the form and turn it all documents required to the School of Nursing office
 - ❖ Due at the same time as university applications
 - ❖ Contact: Arlene.Spilker@sjsu.edu

FAQ's

- **When a how many students do you admit into the RN to BSN program?**
We admit 40 RN to BSN students each semester

- **Do I need an RN license?**
You must be eligible to take NCLEX in California **and pass** before starting the second semester of the RN to BSN program.
- **Do I need a chemistry class?**
Yes, **any** general college level chemistry class is required to graduate as it is part of the nursing major requirements.
- **Do I need to take the TEAS test?**
No, the TEAS test is not required for the RN to BSN program.
- **Is there a waiting list?**
No students are admitted to the program based on the following criteria:
 - Admission to SJSU (2.75 GPA, CA RN License)
 - Completed School of Nursing Application
 - Copy of WST results
 - Copy of current RN license
 - Official Copies of college transcripts
 - Continuous enrollment in SJSU
- **Is there a time limit on my classes?**
No, there is no time limit on any classes when applying for the RN to BSN program.
- **Is this an online program?**
No, this is a face-to-face program. However, some class sessions have online weeks.
- **How long will it take to complete the program?**
3 semesters.
- **I am a foreign educated nurse...**
In order to apply to SJSU you must meet minimum **transfer requirements**. Foreign classes may not have transfer credit value. Please see the list of California community colleges and classes meeting transfer requirements.
- **I have a bachelor's degree in another field *and* an Associate Degree in nursing, what are my options?**
 1. Apply for a 2nd bachelor's degree
(SJSU upper division courses will be waived)
 2. Apply for the Master of Science, Nursing program
(SJSU upper division courses will be waived, additional coursework required)
 3. Attend a MS information session for more information.

Further Questions? Contact:

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