RN TO BSN PROGRAM

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Eligibility Requirements

• Associate degree or diploma in nursing
• Valid California RN license (at time of application)
• Admission to SJSU
• All college GPA 2.75
• All nursing prerequisites grade “C” minimum
• Completion of all transfer requirements**
  • Speech (public speaking)
  • Critical thinking
  • Statistics
  • Chemistry
  • English 1A

**Please see a GE counselor at your school for transfer planning
Eligibility Requirements cont.

- Writing Skills Test (WST)
  - Register and pay at student services
  - $38 registration fee
  - [http://testing.sjsu.edu/wst/](http://testing.sjsu.edu/wst/)
  - Must register 1 month in advance
  - Given 4-6 times per year
Bridge Requirements

Documentation of:
- CPR - yearly renewal
- Health insurance
- Health Statement
- Functional competencies
- Completed titers
- Quantiferon test
- Background check
- Drug screen*

*must be conducted at SJSU student health
What is the Program like?

- 120 units for the BS in Nursing Degree
  - 70 Units transferred from Community College
  - 21 Units Nursing Courses
  - 9 Units Advanced GE (SJSU Studies)
  - 20 Units for Prior Learning (NCLEX)
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

* Wednesdays, 8 – 5pm
**Will need 9 units of advanced GE from SJSU to graduate
*** 12 or more units = Full-time

After completing the Bridge Semester, you will join our regular nursing students for the final year, Community Health (Semester 5) and Leadership (Semester 6)
Community Health – Semester 5

- Nursing 127B* (Theory V) 2 units
- Nursing 137* (Process V) 2 units
- Nursing 147B** (Practicum V) 3 units
- Advanced GE #2 3 units

***Total Units: 10 units

* Fridays, 8 – 5pm
** Separate day TBA
*** 12 or more units = Full-time
Leadership - Semester 6

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

***Total Units: 10 units

*Friday – satisfies SJSU Upper GE Area S
** Clinical or Project - Separate days TBA
*** 12 or more units = Full-time
General Education Requirements

- Must meet core & advanced GE SJSU requirements
- Out of state graduates may need California history & state constitution
Advanced GE (SJSU Studies)

• Graduation requirements from SJSU include:
  • 3 advanced GE courses, 1 from each area R, V, Z (residency requirement)(N138 satisfies Area S requirement). Requirement is really 12 units of upper GE but N138 will satisfy beginning Fall 2015
  • Successful WST required before entry into the Bridge program and to take advanced GE courses
Writing Requirement

• All nursing students must fulfill Area Z, Written communication

• Any **one** of the following classes will be accepted:

  • NURS 100W
  • HPRF 100W
  • BIOL 100W
  • RECL 100W
  • KIN 100W
Graduation

• Once you complete the following, you are eligible to graduate:
  • Core general education
  • Advanced GE
  • University graduation requirements
  • Nursing major requirements
Next Steps... 

- Apply to the university online: currently applications are accepted only once a year between October 1\textsuperscript{st} and November 30\textsuperscript{th}: \url{www.csumentor.edu}
- Major: RN to BSN
  - For Fall 2017 admission, apply to SJSU between \textbf{Oct 1\textsuperscript{st} - Nov 30\textsuperscript{th}} 2016
  - Completed Nursing Application Due \textbf{March 6\textsuperscript{th} 2017} to Nursing Office, HB 420
Next Steps. . .

- Apply online to SJSU as an RN to BSN Major
- Complete & submit a school of nursing application form to the nursing office (HB 420*). Please include:
  - A copy of your RN License
  - One set of official transcripts from all schools attended
  - Copy of WST results

*Call for hours of operation 408-924-3131
Frequently Asked Question’s

• **Is there a waiting list?** No, students are admitted to the program based on the following criteria:

  a. Admission to SJSU (2.75 GPA, CA RN License)
  b. Completed School of Nursing File
  c. Copy of WST results
  d. Copy of current RN license
  e. Official copies all college transcripts
  f. Continuous enrollment in SJSU

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When and how many students do you admit into the RN to BSN program?

• We Admit 40 RN to BSN students each Semester
FAQ’s

• Do I need an RN license? You must pass NCLEX in California before classes start. Applicants who have a complete files will be given preference.

• Do I need a chemistry class? Yes, any general college level chemistry class is a graduation requirement.

• Do I need to take the TEAS test? No, the TEAS test is not required for the RN to BSN program.
FAQ’s

• 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 to complete the program? 3 Semesters full-time. For part-time options, please see RN to BSN advisor.
FAQ’s

• What if 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

http://artic.sjsu.edu/web-dbgen/artic/all-ge.html

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I have a bachelors 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 MSN program (SJSU upper division courses will be waived)
   a) Basic research methods class required
   b) Please see link below and attend a MSN information session for more information

http://www.sjsu.edu/nursing/students/graduate/ms/index.html
Questions?

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