



# RN to BSN Online Program Key Facts

CSU Bakersfield  
Department of Nursing

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When making application to the RN to BSN program, applicants are required to:

1. Be accepted to California State University, Bakersfield (CSUB). University applications are available at [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu). You will need to submit two official transcripts to the University (you may want to get your general education certified by your college/university before submitting).
2. Apply to the Department of Nursing RN to BSN program.  
**Submit completed RN-BSN application materials to the nursing department no later than March 30, 2010. Information on the RN to BSN completion schedule and the application can be accessed at : <http://www.csub.edu/nursing/rnbsn.shtml>.**
3. Provide a copy of a current, clear, and active RN license in California and current CPR certification. New graduates, please contact an advisor.
4. Submit three letters of reference attesting to competency in nursing from persons who know the applicant's academic and professional abilities. One letter must be from your current or most recent employer and must be in an envelope with signature across the seal.
5. Submit a typed resume.
6. Include a personal check or money order for \$30.00 payable to CSUB Department of Nursing for the application processing fee.
7. Submit one official transcript from each college/university attended to the Department of Nursing showing that you have completed all the prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of "C" in each course (you may want to get your general education certified before submitting).
8. Have a grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or better (on a scale of A = 4.0) in the last 90 quarter units or 60 semester units of academic credit.
9. Must be in good standing at the last university/college attended.

## Prerequisite Courses

Course Description	Minimum Units	
	Qtr	/ Sem
Human Anatomy with Lab	5	3
Human Physiology with Lab	5	4
Microbiology with Lab	5	3
Inorganic or Organic or combination Chemistry with lab	5	3
Statistics	5	3
Advanced English Composition	5	3
Public Speaking	5	3
Intro to Psychology	5	3
Intro to Sociology or Cultural Anthropology	5	3

## Suggested Full-time Schedule

### Summer Quarter (9 units)

Nursing 357 Foundations of Nursing Research (4)  
Nursing 410 Professional Nursing Concepts and Issues (5)

### Fall Quarter (22 units)

Nursing 441 Community Health Nursing (5)  
Nursing 442 Community Health Practicum (5)  
Nursing 489 Experiential Prior Learning (12)

### Winter Quarter (variable units)

Nursing 345 Pathophysiologic Basis of Illness and Disease (5)  
Nursing 490 Senior Seminar: Leadership, Trends, and Issues (5)  
Nursing 499 Independent Study (NCLEX) (20)  
Upper Division GE Course

### Spring Quarter (variable units)

Nursing 444 Professional Nursing Practicum (5)  
Upper Division GE Course (5)  
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### **Please note the following:**

- Other general education courses may be needed for RN to BSN students. All students need to meet the University's Graduate Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) for upper division writing. You are encouraged to take the GWAR during the first or second quarter of study.
- Applicants with courses from a foreign university must have the courses reviewed by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS). CGFNS can be contacted by phone at (215) 349-8767 or by email at [www.cgfns.org](http://www.cgfns.org).

## Special Points

- CSUB Application:  
[www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)
- RN to BSN Program Application:  
<http://www.csub.edu/nursing/rnbsn.shtml>
- CSUB Admissions Department  
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- Director:  
Michelle Kinder, RN-BC, MSN, CNL
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For the Bakersfield Area:  
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For Antelope Valley:  
Judy Pedro (661) 654-2050  
  
For the Tulare/Visalia Area:  
Cherie Rector (559) 734-1845
- Please send all application packet materials to the following address:

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RN-BSN Program  
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