

**Department of Nursing**

**School of Natural Sciences, Mathematics, and Engineering**

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**Program Description**

The Department of Nursing offers a baccalaureate program built upon a foundation of science and liberal education that prepares graduates as professional nurses for positions in hospitals and community agencies. All graduates from the program are recommended for certification as public health nurses in the State of California. This program also prepares students for entrance into graduate programs in Nursing.

The program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. For further information about the approval status of the program, please contact the Department of Nursing office or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) at the following address: One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120, phone (202) 887-6791.

The nursing curriculum is organized according to the four universal concepts of nursing which include the client, the environment, health, and the nurse. The client is defined as the individual, the family, groups/aggregates, and the community. Students study health, health problems and human responses that occur as a result of life processes. Emphasis is placed on the nursing process as a systematic method of assisting clients to attain, regain and maintain maximum functional health status. Nursing intervention with clients is based on the use of the nursing process with a focus on the various roles of the nurse including educator, clinician, leader, and researcher.

**Baccalaureate Program Goals and Objectives**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program is designed to support the achievement of the following goals:

1. BSN graduates will be prepared to function in the four professional nurse roles of clinician, researcher, leader, and educator.
2. BSN graduates will be -prepared for graduate study and value lifelong learning to support excellence in nursing practice.
3. Traditional BSN graduates will successfully complete the RN licensure examination (NCLEX).

The program objectives are to prepare students for graduation who:

1. Integrate the knowledge and methods of the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences as a foundation for nursing practice.
2. Incorporate knowledge, skills, and attitudes in leadership, quality improvement, and client safety as necessary components of high quality health care.
3. Evaluate current evidence and incorporate evidence-based practices to improve client outcomes.
4. Utilize knowledge, skills, and attitudes in client care technologies, information systems, and communication devices to deliver safe and effective nursing care.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of healthcare policies, including financial, legal, and regulatory, and their direct and indirect influences on the nature and functioning of the healthcare system.
6. Use effective communication and collaborative skills as part of an inter-professional team to deliver patient-centered care.
7. Deliver population-focused nursing care, with an emphasis on health promotion and disease prevention in a diverse, multicultural society.
8. Demonstrate professionalism and a respect for the inherent ethical values of altruism, autonomy, human dignity, integrity, and social justice as fundamental to the discipline of nursing.
9. Engage in clinical nursing practice with clients, including individuals, families, groups, communities, and diverse populations across the lifespan and the continuum of healthcare environments.

In summary, the professional baccalaureate program in nursing is based on the belief that the graduate is a liberally educated, self-directed person who has beginning competency in delivering nursing care and is a responsible citizen.

**TRADITIONAL BSN PROGRAM**

The Traditional BSN program provides students the opportunity to complete the requirements for a BSN degree. Graduates are eligible to seek licensure as a Registered Nurse with successful completion of the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN). Graduates are also eligible for the California Public Health Nurse Certification and are prepared to progress into a master’s degree program.

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (Traditional Program)**

<b>Total Units Required to Graduate</b>	<b>120 units</b>
<b>Major Requirements</b>	<b>103 units</b>
Nursing Courses	61
Prerequisites	27
Cognates	15
<b>Minor Requirement</b>	<b>0 units</b>
<b>General Education Requirements</b>	<b>17 units</b>

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First-Year Seminar	2
LD Area A Foundational Skills	0*
LD Area B Natural Sciences	0*
LD Area C Arts and Humanities	6
LD Area D Social and Behavioral Sciences	0*
American Institutions	6
SELF	0*
Junior Year Diversity Requirement	0*
UD Thematic Area C	3
UD Thematic Area D	0*
Capstone	0*
GWAR (Exam) or Class	0*

## Additional Units **0 units**

\*Satisfied in prerequisite, major, or other university requirement. The SELF requirement is met by completing a LD Area B, C, or D course with a SELF component. The GWAR may be satisfied by exam.

Additional information regarding the following Department of Nursing policies is available at [www.csub.edu/nursing](http://www.csub.edu/nursing):

1. Admission Criteria and Application Procedure
2. Physical and Mental Health Requirements
3. Health Clearance for Newly-Admitted and Continuing Nursing Students
4. Admission Requirements, including Student Health Insurance, Mask Fit Testing, BLS Certification, Student Professional Liability Insurance, Background Checks, OSHA Requirements, Drug Testing, Uniforms, Transportation, and Standardized Testing
5. Program Progression
6. Requirements related to Program Completion, including Graduation Checks, Testing, and Applications for BRN Approval for NCLEX Testing and the Public Health Nurse Certificate
7. Admission with Advanced Standing

## Requirements for the Major in Nursing

### Required Prerequisite Courses for the Traditional BSN Program

**Note:** CSUB course(s) listed in parenthesis.

1. Expository Writing (Advanced English Composition): 3 semester units (ENGL 1109) [Satisfies Area A2. Written Communication]
2. Speech: 3 semester units (COMM 1008) [Satisfies Area A1. Oral Communication]
3. Critical Thinking: 3 semester units (PHIL 1019, 2019, or SOC 1018) [Satisfies Area A3. Critical Thinking]
4. Statistics: 3 semester units (MATH 1209) [Satisfies Area A4. Quantitative Reasoning]
5. Chemistry: 3 semester units (CHEM 1000) OR a 5 semester unit combined inorganic/organic chemistry course [Satisfies Area B1. Physical Science]
6. Human Anatomy, with lab: 4 semester units (BIOL 2210) [Satisfies Area B2. Life Science (w/Lab)]
7. Human Physiology, with lab: 4 semester units (BIOL 2220)
8. Microbiology: 4 semester units (BIOL 2230)

## Cognate Courses

1. Psychology: 3 semester units (PSYC 1018) [Satisfies Area D]
2. Pathophysiology: 4 semester units (BIOL 3220)
3. Lifespan Development: 3 semester units (NURS 2190)
4. Nutrition: 2 semester units (BIOL 2240)
5. Sociology or Anthropology: 3 semester units (SOC 1008 or ANTH 1318) [Satisfies Area D]

**Note:** It is expected that prerequisite courses be taken within ten years of the student's baccalaureate graduation. See [www.csub.edu/nursing](http://www.csub.edu/nursing) for course currency policy.

## Required Nursing Courses for the Traditional BSN Program

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing requires the completion of the following courses in Nursing arranged according to level. The levels are taken sequentially:

Level I: Prerequisite Courses

Level II: NURS 2110, 2111, 2120, 2121, 2130, 2131, 2140, 2150

Level III: NURS 3110, 3111, 3120, 3121, 3130, 3131, 3140, 3141, 3150, 3160, 3170

Level IV: NURS 4110, 4111, 4120, 4121, 4140, 4180, 4901, 4908

## RN TO BSN PROGRAM

The RN to BSN Program provides Registered Nurses who graduated with an Associate Degree or Diploma in nursing the opportunity to complete the requirements for a BSN degree. Graduates are eligible for the California Public Health Nurse Certification and are prepared to progress into a master's degree program.

## Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (RN-BSN)

<b>Total Units Required to Graduate</b>	<b>120 units</b>
<b>Major Requirements</b>	<b>77 units</b>
Prerequisites	25
Nursing Courses	27
Test (NCLEX) Credit	25
<b>Minor Requirement</b>	<b>0 units</b>
<b>General Education Requirements</b>	<b>24 units</b>
First-Year Seminar	0
LD Area A Foundational Skills	0*
LD Area B Natural Sciences	0*
LD Area C Arts and Humanities	6
LD Area D Social and Behavioral Sciences	6
American Institutions	6
SELF	3
Junior Year Diversity Requirement	0*
UD Thematic Area C	3
UD Thematic Area D	0*
Capstone	0*
GWAR (Exam) or Class	0*
<b>Additional Units</b>	<b>19 units</b>

\*Satisfied in prerequisite, major, or other university requirement. The SELF requirement is met by completing a LD Area B, C, or D course with a SELF component. The GWAR may be satisfied by exam.

**Please Note:** Only 70 semester units may be transferred. Credit for NCLEX completion will be granted by the university only if all other requirements for admission are met. Units are assigned on a case by case basis.

#### **Required Prerequisite Courses for the RN to BSN Program**

1. Expository Writing (Advanced English Composition): 3 semester units (ENGL 1109) [Satisfies Area A2. Written Communication]
2. Speech: 3 semester units (COMM 1008) [Satisfies Area A1. Oral Communication]
3. Critical Thinking: 3 semester units (PHIL 1019, PHIL 2019, or SOC 1018) [Satisfies Area A3. Critical Thinking]
4. Statistics: 3 semester units (MATH 1209) [Satisfies Area A4. Quantitative Reasoning]
5. Chemistry: 3 semester units (CHEM 1000) OR a 5 semester unit combined inorganic/organic chemistry course [Satisfies Area B1. Physical Science]
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#### **Required Nursing Courses for the RN to BSN Program**

In the RN to BSN Program, registered nurses (RNs) take nursing and general education undergraduate courses. For the BSN degree, the university may require several undergraduate general education courses. The following nursing courses are required for RNs seeking a BSN degree: NURS 3210, 3220, 3250, 4210, 4220, 4221, 4230, 4240, 4250, 4901.

#### **LVN 30-UNIT OPTION**

The Board of Registered Nursing specifies that the additional nursing courses required of licensed vocational nurses to qualify for the registered nurse licensure examination shall not exceed a maximum of 30 semester units. Prerequisites: Current California LVN License, admission to the University, and completion of: BIOL 2220 Human Physiology/Lab (4 units); BIOL 2230 Microbiology (4 units).

#### **Required courses in the program:**

NURS 3130, 3131, 3140, 3141, 3190, 4110, 4111, 4900, 4901

**Note:** The LVN 30-Unit Option is offered only when resources allow; please check availability of courses at [www.csub.edu/nursing](http://www.csub.edu/nursing).

**Note:** A credit hour is equivalent to one hour of classroom study or three hours of clinical/laboratory experience and appropriate outside preparation; or a combination of the foregoing, times the number of weeks in the quarter. A semester credit hour is equivalent to 16 hours of classroom contact, 48

hours of clinical/laboratory experience plus appropriate outside preparation; or a combination of the foregoing. Each classroom/clinical laboratory hour is 50 minutes in length.