

National University School of Health Professions Department of Nursing

# Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Generic Entry & Second-Bachelor's Degree Information Packet

#### STATE APPROVAL

Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)

The National University Department of Nursing was granted initial approval by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) in 2004 and has had ongoing approval since that time.

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Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing, master's degree program in nursing, and post-graduate APRN certificate programs at National University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education

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# Nursing Application Deadlines & Start Dates Rancho Bernardo Campus – San Diego, CA

Rancho Bernardo – San Diego BSN Cohorts The BSN cohort in Rancho Bernardo begins four times per/year (January, April, July, and October)					
Calerat #	with <b>40</b> (forty) seats in each cohort.				
<u>Cohort #</u>	<u>Application</u> <u>Open</u> <u>Date</u>	Application Deadline	<u>Cohort</u> <u>Start Date</u>		
Cohort 76	May 15, 2023	August 11, 2023	January 2024		
Cohort 77	August 14, 2023	November 10, 2023	April 2024		
Cohort 78	November 13, 2023	February 9, 2024	July 2024		
Cohort 79	February 12, 2024	May 10, 2024	October 2024		
Cohort 80	May 13, 2024	August 9, 2024	January 2025		
Cohort 81	August 12, 2024	November 8, 2024	April 2025		
Cohort 82	November 11, 2024	February 14, 2025	July 2025		
Cohort 83	February 17, 2025	May 9, 2025	October 2025		
Cohort 84	May 12, 2025	August 8, 2025	January 2026		
Cohort 85	August 11, 2025	November 14, 2025	April 2026		

\*Each Cohort will consist of BSN students and LVN students for a total of 40 students.



# Nursing Application Deadlines & Start Dates Fresno, CA

Fresno BSN Cohorts					
The BSN cohort in Fresno begins two times per/year (April and October) with <b>20</b> (twenty) seats in each cohort.					
Cohort #Application Open DateApplication DeadlineCoh Start					
Cohort 32	May 15, 2023	November 10, 2023	April 2024		
Cohort 33	November 13, 2023	May 10, 2024	October 2024		
Cohort 34	May 13, 2024	November 8, 2024	April 2025		
Cohort 35	November 11, 2024	May 9, 2025	October 2025		
Cohort 36	May 12, 2025	November 14, 2025	April 2026		

\*Each Cohort will consist of BSN students and LVN students for a total of 20 students.



# Nursing Application Deadlines & Start Dates Los Angeles, CA

	Los Angeles BSN Cohorts					
The BS	The BSN cohort in LA begins two times per/year (April and October) with <b>19</b> (nineteen) seats in each cohort.					
<u>Cohort #</u>	Cohort #Application Open DateApplication DeadlineCohort Start					
Cohort 31	May 15, 2023	November 10, 2023	April 2024			
Cohort 32	November 13, 2023	May 10, 2024	October 2024			
Cohort 33	May 13, 2024	November 8, 2024	April 2025			
Cohort 34	November 11, 2024	May 9, 2025	October 2025			
Cohort 35	May 12, 2025	November 14, 2025	April 2026			

\*Each Cohort will consist of BSN students and LVN students for a total of 19 students.



# **Nursing Admission Process & Requirements**

## Admission Process

Admission into the nursing programs at National University is a two-step process: 1) Application to the University; and 2) Application to the respective nursing program.

\*Note: Students are only allowed <u>three (3) total applications</u> to the respective nursing program regardless of location – San Diego, Fresno, and Los Angeles. After a  $3^{rd}$  denial, students will no longer be allowed to apply.

## **University Acceptance**

To be eligible to apply to the nursing programs, prospective students should first meet with an **Enrollment Advisor**. Prospective students must be provisionally accepted into an interim **Non-Degree Seeking program** and send official transcripts and documentation from all other Colleges and Universities for official evaluation to the **Office of the Registrar**. These courses will be evaluated for equivalency to National University Department of Nursing required prerequisite courses.

## **Admission Requirements**

Students including LVNs seeking to study nursing at National University must:

- 1. Meet all requirements for admission to an undergraduate degree program at the University as outlined in the University Catalog.
- 2. Have obtained a 2.75 cumulative GPA in the General Education and prerequisite courses (courses must have been taken at a regionally accredited institution).
- 3. Have earned a grade of "C" or higher in all prerequisite courses.
- 4. Have a clear criminal background check and drug screen.
- 5. Have received immunizations (including fully vaccinated for COVID 19. No exceptions allowed).
- 6. Submit a separate application for admission into a specific nursing program.

\*Note: Meeting the minimum requirements, as listed above, does not guarantee admission into a nursing program.

## Accessing the Nursing Application

Students can access the nursing application by logging on to their SOAR Student Portal.

- 1. From the Student Portal, click on the Nursing and Credentials menu (left-hand side)
- 2. Click on Nursing Application link
- 3. Follow instructions as given

To gain access to the nursing application, students must first meet the following requirements:



# **Attend Pre-Nursing Forum**

Students must attend a Pre-Nursing Forum within 12 months of the application submission date. The forum will introduce students to the nursing programs, detail the application process, and provide a program overview. To receive forum dates and times please e-mail the following locations:

Rancho Bernardo – San Diego – <u>nursing@nu.edu</u> Fresno – <u>fresnonursing@nu.edu</u> Los Angeles – <u>lanursing@nu.edu</u>

# **Obtain Cumulative GPA**

Students must obtain a 2.75 cumulative GPA from all regionally accredited institutions attended. Students who have a bachelor's degree, but less than a 2.75 cumulative GPA, must have a minimum 3.0 GPA in the last 60 semester or 90 quarter units of completed bachelor's degree.

\*Note: All units to be used in this calculation will be within those conferred bachelor's degree courses. Courses taken after the conferral date will not be included in determining the last 60 semester or 90 quarter units.

# **Complete Nursing Pre-Requisites**

Students must have all pre-requisites completed with a "C" grade or higher. "C minus" grades are not accepted by the Nursing Department. All final grades for pre-requisites must be posted to the student's file prior to submitting a nursing application. If a class is still in session or in progress, it will not be accepted.

The Nursing Department **DOES NOT** accept the following courses:

The asynchronous BIO Series at NU, which includes:

- BIO 191A Online Anatomy & Physiology I Lab
- BIO 192A Online Anatomy & Physiology II Lab
- BIO 193A Online Microbiology Laboratory

Any of the BIO courses offered at StraighterLine, which includes:

- BIO 201 Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIO 201L Anatomy & Physiology I Lab
- BIO 202 Anatomy & Physiology II
- BIO 202L Anatomy & Physiology II Lab
- BIO 250 Microbiology
- BIO 250L Microbiology Lab

\*Note: Although these courses have similar abbreviations and titles, they are not accepted by the Nursing Department as direct equivalents to our BIO Series.



# **<u>Pre-Requisites for BSN Generic Entry Applicants</u>**

Students **<u>WITHOUT</u>** a prior earned bachelor's degree are required to complete the following pre-requisites:

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Effective College English
Public Speaking
Introduction to Biomedical Statistics
Information Literacy
Principles of Sociology
Introduction to Psychology
Anatomy and Physiology, I with Lab
Anatomy and Physiology, II with Lab
Microbiology with Lab

\*Note: This list only contains pre-requisite courses. Students may need to complete additional general education requirements (i.e., co-requisite courses) to complete their degree.

## **Pre-Requisites for Second-Bachelor's Degree Applicants**

Students WITH prior earned bachelor's degree (i.e., B.A., B.S.) are required to complete the following pre-requisites:

COM 103	Public Speaking
BST 322	Introduction to Biomedical Statistics
SOC 100	Principles of Sociology
PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology
BIO 201/BIO 201A	Anatomy and Physiology, I with Lab
BIO 202/BIO 202A	Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab
BIO 203/BIO 203A	Microbiology with Lab



# **Nursing Co-Requisites**

Students accepted into our **BSN Generic Entry program** will need to complete the following co-requisite courses to complete their degree:

SPN 340A	Spanish in the Workplace
SPN 341	Cross-Cultural Communications
HUB 500 or SOC 400	Cross-Cultural Dynamics or Race & Ethnicity in the US

\*Note: Co-requisite courses are waived for students with prior earned bachelor's degree. Co-requisite courses are only required after acceptance and not during the admission process.

## Submit TEAS Scores

In addition to the above, students must take the **TEAS Version VII exam** and submit TEAS VII scores to be eligible for admission to the nursing programs.

The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) is a standardized exam used to assess pre-nursing applicants' readiness for nursing school. It covers four main content areas: reading, math, science, and English and language usage. The test takes approximately 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours to complete.

TEAS VII scores must be submitted **PRIOR TO APPLICATION DEADLINE**. Students are only allowed to submit up to a maximum of three (3) TEAS VII exam scores total. National University Department of Nursing will use the applicant's highest qualifying TEAS score when evaluating nursing applicants.

Scores must be submitted directly from **ATI Website** (<u>https://atitesting.com</u>) to the specific campus students are applying to:

Rancho Bernardo – San Diego – "National U CA San Diego" Fresno – "National U CA Fresno" Los Angeles – "National U CA Los Angeles"

\*Note: Scores sent directly from the student *will not* be accepted.



# **Evaluating Nursing Applicants**

# **Nursing Admissions Score Breakdown**

Science and Math based GPA	40%	Used to qualify for an interview
TEAS Score	40%	Used to qualify for an interview
Interview Score		Only Top Candidates will be selected for interview (see below)
Total	100%	

The following numbers of candidates will be selected for an interview based on the highest compilation of Science and Math based GPA and TEAS Scores:

Rancho Bernardo Campus: Top 70 Students Los Angeles and Fresno Campus: Top 45 Students

## Math and Science-based GPA - 40%

Applicants are awarded points for official grades in the following courses:

BST 322	BIO 202/BIO 202A		
BIO 201/BIO 201A	BIO 203/BIO 203A		

## TEAS VII Score - 40%

There is no minimum score requirement. TEAS scores are used to rank students applying for admission instead.

#### **Interview Score - 20%**

The interview will involve questions surrounding the student's motivation for becoming a nurse and academic preparedness to start the program. The interview will be conducted and scored by Nursing Faculty.

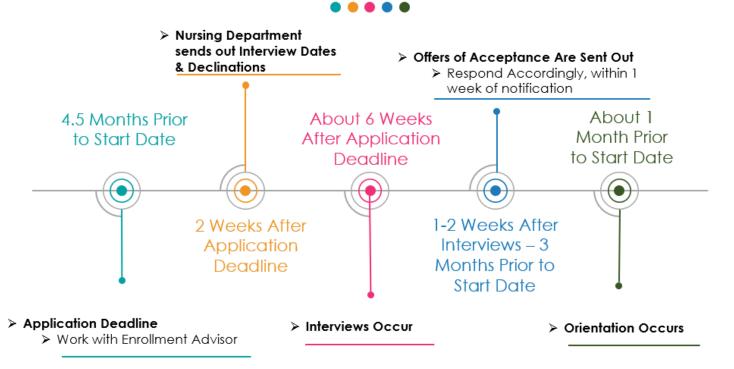
After the interviews occur, the following numbers of candidates will be offered acceptance into the program. These students will be selected based on a compilation of all three above scores.

Rancho Bernardo Campus: 40 Max, 5 Alternates Fresno Campus: 20 Max, 5 Alternates Los Angeles Campus: 19 Max, 5 Alternates

\*Note: Alternates are not guaranteed a spot in current or subsequent cohorts.



# **Application Timeline**





# Generic & Second-Bachelor's Degree BSN Curriculum

Courses	Units	Lecture Hours	<b>Clinical Hours</b>
NSG 403 - Nursing Theories and Models	4.5	45	
NSG – 214 Health Assessment	4.5	45	
NSG - 214A Health Assessment Clinical	1.5		45
NSG – 422 Nursing Research	4.5	45	
NSG – 304 Pharmacology in Nursing	4.5	45	
*NSG - 240 Foundations of Nursing	4.5	45	
*NSG - 240A Foundations Clinical Lab	3.5		105
*NSG - 245 Medical-Surgical Nursing I	4.5	45	
*NSG - 245A Medical-Surgical I Clinical	3.5		105
*NSG - 330 Medical-Surgical Nursing II	4.5	45	
*NSG - 330A Medical-Surgical Nursing II Clinical	3.5		105
*NSG - 333 Childbearing Family Nursing	4.5	45	
*NSG - 333A Childbearing Family Clinical	3.5		105
*NSG - 334 Pediatric Nursing	4.5	45	
*NSG - 334A Pediatric Nursing Clinical	3.5		105
*NSG - 335 Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	4.5	45	
*NSG - 335A Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing Clinical	3.5		105
NSG 305 - PathoPharmacology	4.5	45	
NSG 460 - Community Healthcare I	4.5	45	
NSG 460A - Community Healthcare I Lab	1.5		45
NSG 462 - Community Healthcare II	4.5	45	
NSG 462A - Community Healthcare II Lab	1.5		45
*NSG 340 - Nursing Leadership/ Management	4.5	45	
*NSG 340A - Leadership/ Management Clinical	1.5		45
NSG 440 - Professional Issues in Nursing	4.5	45	

\*Two-month course