Admission to nursing programs is competitive and considered to be "impacted" but it is important to research programs to assess the degree of competitiveness. An interview, an aptitude test and an excellent academic background may be required for admission to nursing programs. Students interested in the "basic" nursing program at a four-year institution may need three full years of nursing after completion of the prerequisites. Individuals who hold a valid R.N. license are encouraged to transfer to the ADN to BSN programs. Individuals who have a Bachelor's Degree in any field may want to research the entry level master’s program. Graduates of the Associate in Science Degree Nursing programs (community college programs) are prepared for staff nursing positions in hospitals, clinics and physician's offices. Completion of a Bachelor's degree program prepares students for professional nursing responsibilities. These include administration, clinical specialization, public health, and school nursing.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:** Changes in health care delivery systems are enabling registered nurses to assume greater responsibility and opportunities while working with health problems of individuals and families. Staff nurses are employed in general hospitals, clinics, doctor's offices, prisons, mental hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice programs. Opportunities for careers and advancement in nursing are expanding. Administrative nurses focus on quality-assurance, management, personnel issues and health promotion. Other areas of employment include public health, visiting nursing, military services, voluntary agencies, pharmaceutical companies, flight industry, schools and colleges, research and informatics. A Master's Degree in Nursing enables one to teach in associate degree or baccalaureate degree nursing programs. Clinical nurse specialists and nurse practitioners are serving in family planning programs, childbirth education, and other programs that assess patients' needs and plan appropriate intervention.

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILLS (2011-2012)**
The program courses have an online component (may be all online or as a hybrid mix of online and class room sessions either onsite or at selected sites throughout California). Open to registered nurses who want to expand their career opportunities and leadership roles. This program offers a baccalaureate degree with flexible scheduling and program options for those who hold a current R.N. license in the United States or interim permit. The program requires a minimum of 60 transferable units to include the “golden four” (English Composition, Critical Thinking, Oral Communications, and Quantitative Reasoning). Registered nurses who have earned a bachelor’s degree in a non-nursing field are eligible for the BA/BS Pathway to the MSN degree; for additional information, refer to the following website: http://www.csudh.edu/hhs/son/.

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH (2011-2012) *IMPACTED PROGRAM**

**Basic Program:** (for students not holding a R.N. License): Thirty students accepted each semester. To be a candidate for admission as a nursing major the following are required: Completion of a minimum of 60 transferable semester units, including lower division General Education requirements; **Applicants must have all prerequisite requirements to the university with a minimum GPA of 3.0 in the following courses:** Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy and Physiology 34A and 34B; Microbiology 33; Chemistry 21A and 21B. Counseling sessions are held monthly in the Nursing Department. Call 562-985-4463 for schedule. **Additional course prerequisites:** Psychology 5; Sociology 101. **General Education prerequisites:** Oral communications, English composition, quantitative reasoning, and critical thinking (“golden four”).

**RN Program:** (for students who hold a valid California R.N. License or an interim permit). Thirty students accepted each semester. Graduates of diploma schools should work towards the A.A. degree with a General Studies major. Associate Degree Programs (such as ECC nursing program) should plan also to meet the CSU general education and nursing requirements. Students are required to have a minimum GPA of 3.0 in natural science prerequisites with a minimum grade of C and a 3.0 in the general education prerequisites. Counseling sessions are held monthly. Call (562) 985-4463 to confirm schedule. Required prerequisites: (same as the Basic Program above).

**Note:** Students will be required to submit a supplemental application to the Nursing Department. Check CSULB’s website for the application deadlines.
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES (2011-2012) *IMPACTED PROGRAM

Students may be admitted as lower division transfers or with an A.A or A.S in Nursing and the R.N. Minimum grade of C in all prerequisites. **Required Courses:** Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy and Physiology 34A and 34B; Chemistry 21A; Math 150 (recommended); Microbiology 33; Psychology 5, 16; Sociology 101; English 1C; Communication Studies 1; Nutrition 11.  

*Note:* Nursing courses and prerequisites may be repeated only once. Recommended: transfer students should obtain GE certification. For further info, call (323) 343-5500.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTH RIDGE (2011-2012)

The Nursing major is limited to Registered Nurses. An Associate Degree in Nursing or its equivalent from a regionally accredited program is required. **Required courses:** Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy 34A and 34B; Microbiology 33; Chemistry 4 or 20 or 21A; Math 150 or Psychology 9A or Sociology 109; Psychology 5; Sociology 101; CIS 13

http://www.csun.edu/~nursing/

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY (2010-2011) *IMPACTED PROGRAM

The Nursing major is an impacted program. Students must enter the University under the nursing pre-major code (12030). **The following courses or equivalents are required for admission to the nursing program:**  

- Biology 10; Chemistry 21A, 21B; Psychology 5; Sociology 101; Microbiology 33; Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy and Physiology 34A and 34B; Communication Studies 1; Math 150 or Psychology 9A or Sociology 109; Psychology 16 or Child Development 103.  

*Note:* Child Development 103 is acceptable only if Psychology 5 is completed prior to enrollment at SDSU. CSU GE Certification is highly recommended. Students should have a 2.50 GPA in organic chemistry, sociology, oral communications, biology, anatomy, and microbiology (anatomy and microbiology need a minimum grade of B- or better.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE (2011-2012)

Biology 101-102-103, Chemistry 1A-1B-7A, Math 150 or Psychology 9A or Sociology 109; Microbiology 33; Physiology 31; Sociology 101

Preference will be given to junior-level applicants with the highest grades overall, and who have satisfactorily completed the following required courses: one year of general chemistry with laboratory, one semester of organic chemistry, and one year of biological sciences (equivalent to UCI’s Biological Sciences (BS) 93 = ECC’s Biology 101-102 with grades of B or better. For UCI’s biological science courses 97 and 98, ECC does not offer comparable courses. Check the ASSIST website at www.assist.org for other community colleges that may have articulated courses with UCI’s 97 and 98 courses. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher to be considered.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES (2011-2012)

**Generic/Prelicensure/B.S.**

The Generic/Prelicensure degree program at UCLA has been designed to prepare students for a career in nursing. Graduates of this program will be well prepared to deal with the demands of the present day high acuity patient populations and sophisticated technological environments. It is a very competitive Nursing program. In addition to the general UC application, applicants must complete a supplementary application to the School of Nursing. The Nursing Generic/Prelicensure program is not open to second baccalaureate applicants. Students with a non-nursing bachelor’s degree should apply for the Masters Entry Clinical Nurse (MECN/MSN) program. For additional information regarding this major and UCLA’s selection process, visit www.nursing.ucla.edu and www.admissions.ucla.edu.

**Admission Requirements:**

- a) Completion of specific major prerequisites with a C grade or better.
- b) A statement of purpose that includes an assessment of potential for nursing practice and a clear statement of goals after completion of the program.
- c) Recommendations from two sources (one teacher or counselor and one professional who has had supervisory, educational, or mentoring relationship to you)
- d) A minimum, cumulative GPA of 3.5 in all UC transferable courses.
- e) Completion of IGETC.

The following courses are the prerequisites for the program: English 1A and English 1B or 1C or Philosophy 5 or Psychology 3; Math 160 or 190; Chemistry 1A, 1B, 7A; Biology 101-102; Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy and Physiology 34A and 34B; Psychology 5; Additional recommended courses that may be taken at the community college:

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Communication Studies 1 or Communications Studies 5 and 12 or Communication Studies 12 and Journalism 12; Microbiology 33; Psychology 5.

**RN-BS Post licensure**  
**Note: The RN-BS Program has been suspended**

The RN-BS/Post licensure program at UCLA is intended to prepare nurses (RN’s) for advanced practice study at the graduate level. The curriculum has been designed to build upon the associate’s degree in nursing and assist RN’s in gaining new knowledge needed for professional nursing in a changing society. In addition to the UC application for admission, applicants to the nursing program must fill out a supplementary application to the School of Nursing. The nursing program is open to transfer applicants and second baccalaureate applicants. You can also attain the MSN Degree through this program.

**Admission Requirements:**

a) Associate Degree in Nursing from a state-approved program or a diploma in nursing from an accredited program.

b) Current licensure as a registered nurse and a minimum of one year of full-time experience within the past five years.

c) C or better grades on four required Excelsior College Examinations: 1) Fundamentals of Nursing, 2) Adult Nursing, 3) Maternal and Child Nursing-AD, and 4) Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing. 30 units will be assigned for completion of Excelsior College Examinations. For additional information regarding Excelsior College, visit the [www.excelsior.edu](http://www.excelsior.edu) website.

d) A statement of purpose that includes an assessment of potential for advanced practice study and a clear statement of goals upon completion of the program.

e) Completion of prerequisites with grades of C or better and 60-70 units of UC transferable course work.

f) Minimum GPA of 3.0 in all UC transferable course work.

Students must meet the UC minimum eligibility for admissions (IGETC is not appropriate for the post licensure program within the School of Nursing) and complete the following prerequisites: English 1A and 1B or 1C; Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy and Physiology 34A and 34B; Anthropology 2; Biology 101-102*; Chemistry 4 is strongly recommended prior to transfer; Chemistry 1A* and 1B*; Chemistry 7A*; Microbiology 33; Physics** 11 or (2A and 2B); Psychology 5; Sociology 101; one UC transferable college course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning with a prerequisite of intermediate algebra or higher; one or more courses from arts and humanities: choose courses from IGETC Area 3. For additional admissions information, please view the website at [www.nursing.ucla.edu](http://www.nursing.ucla.edu) or contact the UCLA School of Nursing at (310) 825-7181.

**Note:**  
* Students can fulfill these requirements at UCLA or El Camino College prior to transfer.  
** Students may fulfill this requirement with one year of High School physics with a grade of B or better.

**Mount St. Mary's College (2009-2011)**

Doheny Campus: The College offers Associate and Baccalaureate degree programs with majors in nursing that provide options for career mobility. **Required courses:** Chemistry 4 or 1A or 20 or 21A; Anatomy 32 and Physiology 31 or Anatomy and Physiology 34A and 34B (under review); Psychology 5 and 16; Speech 1; Sociology 101; English 1A and 1B or 1C; Microbiology 33; Recommended courses: Nutrition 11 and Philosophy 3. For information on the GE requirements see a nursing counselor. A cumulative GPA of 2.50 in transferable course work and a 2.50 GPA in science courses is required for the Associate Degree nursing program. A cumulative GPA of 2.70 for all transferable college work attempted and a science GPA of 2.50 is required for admission to the Bachelor’s Degree nursing program. The science GPA consists of grades received from Chemistry 20 or 21A, Anatomy 32, Physiology 31, and Microbiology 33. Note: MSMC offers an accelerated program for students who are graduates of an accredited 4-year college/university with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0. For additional information please call (213) 477-2500.

For information on additional routes to attain an RN license visit the California Board of Registered Nursing website at [www.rn.ca.gov](http://www.rn.ca.gov/)