

Merritt College Transfer Center

NURSING TRANSFER GUIDE

Students planning to transfer to a four-year college/university should complete the lower division major requirements and the general education pattern for the appropriate transfer institution. The actual major articulation for UCs and CSUs can be found online at www.assist.org. Students are also recommended to contact the admitting institution and program.

Note: Courses listed below are *subject to change without notice*. Please check with a counselor or www.assist.org for the most current information.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY (CSUEB)

The **Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN)** program is an impacted program, which means the program receives more applications from qualified applicants than the program can admit.

Nine (9) Nursing Prerequisites Courses Required for Admission to the Nursing Program:

Biol 2 & 4 OR *Biol 20A and *20B; Biol 3; Chem 30A; Chem 30B; Comm 20 or 45; Engl 1A; Engl 5; Math 13

- *Combined Anatomy & Physiology courses (Biol 20A and Biol 20B) must be completed at the same college.
- Prerequisites must be completed with a "C" grade or better. "C-" grades are not accepted.
- Must be completed by February 14, 2009 for Fall 2009 admission.

Non-Nursing Lower Division Courses: Anthr 3; Psych 1A; Soc 1

Additional Admission & Application Information:

- The applicant must complete the CSU university application AND the Nursing Supplemental online application between October 1st -November 30th. Fall admission only.
- To apply, go to www.csumentor.edu AND <http://129.8.37.204/eastbay/bsn/>
- To be eligible for Fall 2009 admission, a student must have the following:
 1. An overall GPA of at least 3.0 in the most recent 60 semester units of coursework;
 2. A GPA of at least 3.0 in nursing prerequisite science courses (Biol 2 & 4 OR Biol 20A and 20B; Biol 3, Chem 30A, Chem 30B);
 3. A GPA of at least 3.0 in ALL nursing prerequisite courses; and
 4. ALL nursing prerequisite courses completed by February 14, 2009 for Fall 2009 admission.

Admission Selection Criteria:

- **50 points** – for prerequisite GPA. Each repetition of a prerequisite course within a 7-year period will result in a deduction of 5 points.
- **40 points** – for **Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Adjusted Individual Total Score (www.atitesting.com to register); TEAS official report is due by February 14, 2009. The TEAS may be repeated.
- **5 points** – for speaking and writing proficiency in English and one other language. Applicants must submit the Language Proficiency Form for non-English language and score in the 50th percentile on the English and Reading sections of the TEAS.
- **5 points** – for the equivalent of at least 6 months full-time paid employment in a health care setting providing direct patient care. The "Health Care Worker application" is due by February 14, 2009.

**A sample TEAS assessment and review guides are available at www.atitesting.com and other online sites and bookstores. Review guides are also available at the CSU East Bay bookstore and other bookstores.

Contact:

Department of Nursing and Health Science

Telephone: 510.885.3481 (East Bay-Hayward Campus) | 925.602.6753 (Concord Campus)

Email: Nursing@csueastbay.edu

Website: <http://www.sci.csueastbay.edu/nursing/>

Please contact the appropriate university and nursing program for the most complete application information, including transcripts deadlines, etc. This Transfer Guide is subject to change without notice.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO

The **Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN)** program is an impacted program, which means the program receives more applications from qualified applicants than the program can admit.

Prerequisites: Chem 30A; Chem 30B; Biol 2 and 4 OR Biol 20A and 20B; Biol 3; Engl 1A; Comm 20 or 45; Engl 5 or Phil 10; any CSU GE Area B4 "Quantitative Reasoning" course, which includes Math 13

- Prerequisites must be completed with a "C" grade or better. "C-" grades are not accepted.
- In-Progress Policy: Two science and two non-science prerequisite courses, four total, may be in progress during the semester prior to enrollment. When applying for fall admission, prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the previous spring term.

Corequisites: Psych 1A; Nutr 10; Coser 21; Nurs 13

Students are **strongly** encouraged to complete the corequisite courses prior to admission to the clinical major.

Additional Admission & Application Information:

- For Fall admission, the applicant must complete the CSU university application via www.csumentor.edu between October 1-November 30 AND the Nursing Supplemental application between February 1-March. For Spring admission, the applicant must submit the CSU university application via www.csumentor.edu between August 1-31 AND the Nursing Supplemental application between September 15-October 15.
- The applicant must satisfy California residency requirements.
- A **minimum score of 75% in the TEAS** is required to be considered for admission.
- A **minimum GPA of 3.0** is required to be considered for admission. The nursing gpa is calculated using the 30+ most recent graded semester units; plus any prerequisites completed prior to the last 30+ graded semester units. All of the units from every institution attended will be included from the term where the 30th unit falls. If an applicant has completed less than 30 units but has completed enough courses to apply, the GPA will be based on all graded units completed at the time of application.
- A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required on the prerequisite courses completed at the time of application. All prerequisites must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. A grade of "C-" is not acceptable.
- Repeat Policy – If a prerequisite or corequisite course has been taken more than once, the highest grade will be included in the GPA calculation used to rank the candidates. However, if a course has been taken more than twice within a seven-year period, preceding the first day of the Supplemental Nursing application filing period, a five-point deduction per course will be taken from the candidate's final score in the ranking for admission to the clinical nursing program. If a student is "in progress" of repeating one or more prerequisite or corequisite courses at the time of application, the units and grade points from the repeated courses will be excluded. The In-Progress policy above applies to repeated courses.

Admission Selection Criteria: (115 total maximum points)

- **50 points maximum** – Grade Point Average
- **50 points maximum** - TEAS score
- **15 points maximum** – Optional Criteria
 - 6 points – Bilingual Language Proficiency
 - 3 points – Multicultural Work Experience
 - 2 points – Economic Background
 - 2 points – Educational Background
 - 2 points – Environmental Background

Admissions Statistics for Spring 2008 Admits:

- Average GPA – 3.825 (range 3.435-4.0)
- Average TEAS score – 90.2% (range 83.5%-96.5%)
- Admission point cut off – 74 (the last person selected earned 74 admission points)

Contact:

School of Nursing
 Teri Tallman, Undergraduate Admissions Coordinator
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 Website: www.hhs.csus.edu/nrs

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MILLS COLLEGE

The Mills College **Pre-Nursing program** is a 2+2 program offered in conjunction with Samuel Merritt College. Students with *no previous college course work* spend the first two years taking general education and pre-nursing courses at Mills College and the final two years completing clinical course work at Samuel Merritt College. The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree is awarded by Samuel Merritt College.

Admission to the BSN program at Samuel Merritt College is **guaranteed** with a 3.0 cumulative college GPA* and a score of 55 on the Nursing Entrance Test. (GPA and score requirement are subject to change.) *Students must complete all pre-nursing requirements and a minimum of one year of full-time coursework at Mills, including two of the core sciences, in order to receive the guarantee of admission to Samuel Merritt.*

Applications from **transfer students** are accepted for both the spring and fall semesters on a space available basis. **Transfer students** may be awarded **up to one year (no more than 30 semester hours) of transfer credit by Mills College**. Thus, community college students who are transferring to the Mills Pre-Nursing Program can spend up to one year at a community college, one year at Mills, and 2 years at Samuel Merritt.

Transfer students who wish to complete the pre-nursing program at Mills in only one year **must complete two of the four core pre-nursing courses (Anatomy, Chemistry, Microbiology, Human Physiology)**, prior to applying for admission; one course must be a fall course, and the other a spring course. If fewer of the core pre-nursing courses are taken, students may be enrolled at Mills for three or four semesters. (See highlighted courses below.)

The deadline for fall admission is April 1 and November. For competitive admission consideration, **the recommended cumulative GPA is 3.0 or higher.**

*3.0 cumulative GPA from classes taken at Mills and all prior institutions. Students may repeat only one course, one time, during the 2 year pre-nursing curriculum. Two grades of D or F during the pre-nursing curricula will result in the student being dismissed from the program.

Sample Pre-Nursing Curriculum – Mills College

Note: *Community college students who plan to participate in the 2+2 program would complete an equivalent or comparable year one pattern at the community college. Upon admission to Mills College, year two would be completed at Mills.*

Year One/Fall	Year One/Spring
Human Anatomy with Lab Critical Reading and Expository Writing Fundamentals of Psychology Introduction to Sociology Information Literacy Leadership Seminar	Survey of Chemistry with Lab Developmental Psychology Ethics or The West and its Cultural Traditions or American History I General Education course Leadership Seminars
Year Two/Fall	Year Two/Spring
Intro Microbiology with Lab Nutrition Intro Philosophy, American History, or Western Culture Intro Statistics General Education course Leadership Seminars	Human Physiology with Lab Interpersonal Communication General Education course Elective Leadership Seminar

Contact:

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Website: www.mills.edu/admissions/undergraduate/nursing.php

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SAMUEL MERRITT COLLEGE

Samuel Merritt College admits 60 2+2 students in the **Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) Direct Admission Option (for transfer students)** in the Fall and again for the Spring. Although students in the pre-nursing curriculum at partnership schools (Holy Names University, Mills College, St. Mary's College) have priority for these spots, spots may be available for direct entry transfer students. It is more likely that more space will be available for the Spring term.

Prerequisites:

Samuel Merritt Prerequisites	Possible Merritt College Course Equivalencies
Human Anatomy with Lab	Biol 2
Human Physiology with Lab	Biol 4
Microbiology with Lab	Biol 3
Chemistry with Lab (Biochemistry content preferred but not required)	Chem 30A (Chem 30A alone is acceptable, but the Chem 30A and 30B sequence is preferred.)
English Composition	Engl 1A
English Literature/Critical Thinking	Engl 1B or 5
Interpersonal Communication (a public speaking course is not acceptable)	Comm 20
General Sociology or Cultural Anthropology	Soc 1 or Anthr 3
General Psychology	Psych 1A
Statistics	Math 13
Life Span Developmental Psychology (content to include birth through death)	
Nutrition	Nutrition 10
Fine Arts (Theory) Class	See Counselor
Introduction to Philosophy, Ethics or Bioethics	See Counselor
Humanities Elective	See Counselor
American History (any time period)	See Counselor
Modern World History (1865 to present)	See Counselor
Course in Diversity / Ethnic Studies	See Counselor

Admission Information:

To be considered for admission, prospective students must meet the following criteria:

- A minimum of 66 semester units of transferable work, including all the prerequisites into the program
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher and prerequisite science GPA of 2.50 or higher. The exact GPAs required for admission will vary term by term depending on the quantity and quality of the applicant pool.
- At least one term with a minimum of 9 semester units of academic courses completed in the past 2 years with a GPA for the term of 2.5 or better.
- Minimum score of 55 on the **Nurse Entrance Test (NET)** by the time of application. Section score minimums may also be established. The NET must be completed prior to application. More information on the NET and the schedule for the administration of the NET is available at www.samuelmerritt.com.
- The need for TOEFL will be assessed based on the information provided by applicants on the application for admission. If required, a score of 79 (Internet based test) must be achieved and official score results provided.
- Letters of reference.
- If you have attended a nursing program at another college or university, a statement explaining your reasons for seeking a transfer will be required. Additionally, a letter from the Dean or Director of your nursing program indicating that you are in good standing and eligible for continued enrollment in the nursing program will be required.

Samuel Merritt also has a partnership program with Holy Names University, Mills College, and St. Mary's College. Please visit www.samuelmerritt.edu for more information. You may also view the Mills College information on this Transfer Guide.

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SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY (SFSU)

The **Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN)** program is an impacted program, which means the program receives more applications from qualified applicants than the program can admit.

Eight (8) Nursing Prerequisites with a “C” grade or better:

- General Education Basic Subjects: Comm 20 or 45; Engl 1A; Engl 5 or Phil 10; Math 13
- Additional Nursing Prerequisites: Biol 2 & 4 OR Biol 20A and 20B; Biol 3; Chem 30A or Chem 1A;

Additional courses for licensure and preparation for upper-division:

Nutr 10 or 12; Psych 1A; Anthr 1 or 2 or 3 or Soc 1

Additional Admission & Application Information:

To be eligible to apply to the School of Nursing, the applicant must:

- Apply to the university via www.csumentor.edu and submit the supplemental nursing paper application (www.nursing.sfsu.edu) between October 1-November 30 (postmarked). Fall admission only. Applicants will receive an email confirming receipt of nursing application.
- Be a California resident.
- Have an ALL college total (cumulative CSU transferable) GPA of 2.8 or higher at the time of application. *In recent years, students admitted to the major have earned an average prerequisite GPA of 3.7 or higher, and have 2 or more supplemental criteria supported.*
- Have completed all nursing prerequisites with a grade of “C” or better. Repeats decrease the applicant’s overall competitiveness.
- Have **ONLY ONE of the EIGHT** nursing prerequisites in progress during Spring 2009.
- Complete “General Education Basic Subjects” and “Additional Nursing Prerequisites” courses by the end of Spring 2009 for Fall 2009 admission.

Admission Selection Criteria:

In addition to your GPA in the prerequisite courses, the School of Nursing reviews supplemental criteria, which includes:

- Health-related work or volunteer experience. This includes any experiences where you have worked directly with patients in any health-related organization (e.g., hospital, health clinic). Verification on organization stationery must be included.
- Multi-cultural community experience. This includes any experiences where you have worked or volunteered with underserved/vulnerable populations (e.g., AIDS hospice, senior facility). Verification on organization stationery must be included.
- Bilingual or Multi-lingual fluency (self-reported).

Contact:

School of Nursing

Telephone: 415.338.1802

Website: www.nursing.sfsu.edu (Internet Explorer 7.0 is required to view the site.)

SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY (SJSU)

The **Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN)** program is an impacted program, which means the program receives more applications from qualified applicants than the program can admit.

Prerequisites: Engl 1A; Engl 1B; Comm 45; Chem 30A; Chem 30B; Biol 3; Math 13

Prerequisites courses must be completed at the time of application (April 1st for Fall admission).

Students should complete the prerequisite courses with a grade of “C” or better.

Support Courses: Psych 1A

Additional Admission & Application Information:

For Fall admission, apply to the university via www.csumentor.edu between October 1-November 30 and submit the supplemental nursing paper application (<http://www.sjsu.edu/nursing>) **by April 1st**. For Spring admission, follow university application deadlines and submit the nursing application by October 1st.

Please contact the appropriate university and nursing program for the most complete application information, including transcripts deadlines, etc. This Transfer Guide is subject to change without notice.

The minimum criteria to apply to the School of Nursing include:

1. Minimum 2.5 GPA in 30 most recent semester units
 - a. All courses included must be at least 3 or 4 semester units of academic credit. One and two semester unit courses and their quarter unit equivalents are excluded.
 - b. A course that has been repeated to improve a grade is excluded. All courses included in the 30 semester units calculation must be taken for the first time.
2. Minimum GPA 3.0 in the following 5 courses: Biol 2 & 4 OR Biol 20A & 20B; Biol 3; Engl 1A; Math 13
3. Biol 2 & 4 OR Biol 20A & 20B; Biol 3 must be completed within 5 years of the application deadline for establishing eligibility and passed with a grade of "C" or better. Courses may be repeated only once to achieve a minimum "C" grade. The grades for these 3 courses will only include grades for those most recent 5 years. Other prerequisites must include both the first and second time taken, if the student had to repeat the course one time (show both grades on the application checklist).

Other Admissions Information:

- Applicants meeting the above minimum criteria, will be ranked according to #1, #2, and score on TEAS. There is a minimum of TEAS score of 80 required. The TEAS may be repeated. Go to www.atitesting.com to register for the TEAS or to the SJSU bookstore website 5-6 weeks in advance. A sample TEAS assessment and review guides are available at www.atitesting.com and other online sites and bookstores. Review guides are also available at various bookstores.
- Applicants must also pass the Writing Skills Test (WST), which is required to enroll in the university's upper division general education courses. Contact 408.924.5980 to register for the test. Register 4-5 months ahead and allow 6-7 weeks minimum for results.
- Completion of Math 13 with a "C" grade or better will waive the Entry Level Math requirement (ELM)

Contact:

School of Nursing

Telephone: 408.924.3131

Website: www.sjsu.edu/nursing

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO (USF)

In addition to the pre-nursing prerequisites below, students should also complete the University of San Francisco general education requirements for admission to the Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) program.

Prerequisites to Major: Human Anatomy and Lab, Physiology and Lab, Microbiology and Lab, General Psychology. These courses need to be completed with a C or better. Prospective transfer students also need to maintain a **3.0 GPA** to be eligible to apply for the Nursing program.

Application Deadline: For Fall transfer -January 15th. For Spring transfers-December 1st

OPTIONS FOR APPLICANTS WHO HAVE NON-NURSING BACHELORS DEGREES

Most BSN programs do not admit students who have completed recognized baccalaureate degrees. If you have a baccalaureate degree, the following area schools may be an option:

SAMUEL MERRITT

Accelerated Bachelors of Science in Nursing

This program is designed for someone who has already earned a baccalaureate in a non-nursing field.

For more information, please visit: www.samuelmerritt.edu

Entry Level Masters of Science in Nursing (ELMSN) – Case Management Track & Family Nurse Practitioner Track

This ELMSN program is designed for those who have already earned a baccalaureate in a non-nursing field and seek to shift careers or pursue a new academic goal. Two tracks are offered in the ELMSN program: Case Management and Family Nurse Practitioner.

For more information, please visit: www.samuelmerritt.edu

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SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY (SFSU)

Master of Science in Nursing – Generic

For more information please visit: www.nursing.sfsu.edu

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO (UCSF)

Masters Entry Program in Nursing (MEPN)

This program is designed for students with baccalaureate degrees seeking to enter the Nursing profession.

For more information:

Telephone: 415.476-1435

Email: info@nursing.ucsf.edu

Website: <http://nurseweb.ucsf.edu>

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO (USF)

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Curriculum Plan

This program is for the student that already holds a bachelor's degree.

Master's Entry Option in Clinical Nurse Leader or Health Care System Leadership or Dual Degree option

These programs are options for an individual with a baccalaureate degree in a field other than nursing but who is looking for entry into the nursing profession.

For more information, please visit: www.usfca.edu/nursing/

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<http://www.rn.ca.gov/schools/programs.shtml> (list of approved nursing programs)