

**SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
SCHOOL OF NURSING**

**RN-BSN
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION**

I. General Information

Prospective students are eligible to apply for admission to the School of Nursing when they have completed, or will complete within one year, all prerequisites for the nursing program. For information about prerequisite courses and grade requirements, consult the School of Nursing Undergraduate Information Bulletin.

Those eligible to apply for admission are requested to read carefully the admission procedure described herein and complete all items on the application with care. **An application which is incomplete or inaccurate cannot be processed or considered for admission.** Official transcripts must be received by the School of Nursing in addition to those sent to the University. There is no cost associated with the School of Nursing application process.

Send completed application, official transcripts and verifying documents to:

**SCHOOL OF NURSING
SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
5500 CAMPANILE DRIVE
SAN DIEGO, CA 92182-4158**

Application deadlines to the School of Nursing are as follows:

1. For entrance into the following **SPRING** term, the application must be received by **August 31st**.
2. For entrance into the following **FALL** term, the application must be received by **November 30th**

All other supporting documents and original transcripts must be submitted by the second deadline if not submitted with the application. The second deadline for the **Spring Term** is November 15. The second deadline for the **Fall Term** is June 5.

Applications will not be considered without official transcripts.

To ensure processing of an application, each applicant is responsible for contacting the School of Nursing Office to ascertain that all documents have been received prior to the second deadline. An application will not be considered for admission unless **all** materials are received by the School of Nursing by the second deadline. If further information

regarding the admission procedure is needed, please contact the RN-BSN advisor at the School of Nursing Office at (619) 594-3426 or make an appointment at 619-594-2540.

II. Admission to the University

Admission to the School of Nursing is contingent upon admission to the University. Applicants, including transfer students, planning on a nursing major should apply for admission to the University as a nursing major by the deadline for impacted programs. Failure to do so may seriously interfere with academic/career plans since change of majors are granted only on a space available basis.

The University application form, transcripts and other supporting documents required by the University must be submitted directly to San Diego State University Admissions Office. For more specific information regarding application to the University, consult the SDSU web site, www.sdsu.edu, the current San Diego State University General Catalog or the University Admissions and Records Office.

Note: RN applicants with a bachelor's degree in another field must apply to the graduate division of SDSU.

The filing periods for application to the **University** are as follows (check www.sdsu.edu for any changes):

1. **November 1-30th** for admission to the *following fall semester*.
2. **August 1-31st** for admission to the *following spring semester*.

III. Admission to the School of Nursing requires the following:

1. Completion of prerequisite courses and grade requirements as specified in the San Diego State University General Catalog and School of Nursing Undergraduate Information Bulletin.
2. Completion of the enclosed application.
3. Official transcript(s). **Students enrolled at San Diego State University must request the University Cashier's Office to send a current official transcript to the School of Nursing.**
4. A Work in Progress Report, if appropriate, for courses currently being taken.
5. Valid CPR Certification from either **American Heart Association, "Healthcare Provider"** course, or **American Red Cross, "Professional Rescuer"** course. **Other CPR courses will not be accepted.**
6. **Writing Competency - Students must meet a level of writing competency. This requirement can be satisfied by various tests or by passing appropriate classes. You must provide documentation for your file.**
(see *Special Instructions below*)

IV. Health Requirements (Not required until acceptance into the School of Nursing)

Upon acceptance into the School of Nursing, the student must provide the following: Completion of the Health History Form, a physical examination by the applicant's health care provider, PPD (TB), Rubella and Varicella titres, documentation of childhood DPT and Polio series, Td booster, Hepatitis B series and titre, MMR and Measles. Influenza immunization is strongly recommended during fall only.

NOTE: If childhood immunization documentation cannot be provided, such as polio, DPT or measles, student must begin current immunizations. **Students will not be allowed in clinical classes without immunizations and other School of Nursing health requirements. Immunization documentation is to be provided to SDSU, Student Health Services.**

V Special Instructions

1. Writing Competency Requirement

A currently enrolled student at San Diego State University has probably passed the writing competency requirement. Applicants from off campus may meet this requirement by taking (or having taken) the ACT, SAT, CEEB, WPA or the appropriate classes. Refer to the San Diego State University General Catalog or the School of Nursing Undergraduate Information Bulletin for score requirements. **Student must send proof of how the writing competency requirement was met to the School of Nursing prior to the second deadline.**

2. Reapplication

- a. Applicants are requested to notify the School of Nursing Office if they will not be able to matriculate as planned. Application materials will be held for reactivation **only on a written request** to the School of Nursing Office. It will be necessary for applicants to contact the School of Nursing for the appropriate procedure and to update their application.
- b. If an applicant meets all requirements, but is denied admission because of lack of space, the applicant must **request in writing** that all documents be held for the application to be reconsidered the following semester. All application materials and transcripts become the property of School of Nursing. If an applicant does not reapply within a year, application materials are destroyed.

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STUDENT HEALTH POLICY

PURPOSE: The following health policy is instituted for the purpose of protecting the health of both students and clients in clinical classes.

1. **HEALTH ASSESSMENT**

1. Upon acceptance to the School of Nursing, the student is required to complete the SDSU Medical History Form and submit to SDSU Student Health Services. The information will be reviewed (based on established criteria) to determine if there are any physical conditions that would limit the applicant's ability to function in nursing. If questions arise regarding an applicant's physical condition, the applicant will be requested to undergo further health assessment. (This form will be provided to the student upon acceptance into the School of Nursing.)
2. All students are required to have a physical examination upon acceptance to the School of Nursing. The Physical Clearance Form is to be completed by the student health care provider at the time of the exam and returned to Student Health Services. (This form will be provided to the student upon acceptance into the School of Nursing.)
3. It is recommended that a Pap smear for female students be included in the physical examination if none has been performed within the previous 12 months.

2. **IMMUNIZATIONS**

All students are required to have **documented evidence** of required immunizations when they start the clinical nursing courses (N414, N458, N452 or N454).

1. **Required Immunizations**

- a. A diphtheria/pertussis tetanus primary series must be documented. There must be an adult diphtheria tetanus booster within the past ten years. If childhood DPT series documentation is not provided, the student must have a series of three (3) Td (tetanus/diphtheria) immunizations.
- b. **Rubella and Varicella Titres**
 - (1) All students are required to have documented evidence of Rubella (German measles) and Varicella (chickenpox) antibody titres **upon entrance** into the School of Nursing. If titres are negative, student must have immunizations for Rubella and Varicella. It is strongly recommended that all students have the Mumps vaccine included during immunization for Measles and Rubella (MMR vaccine).

- (2) Pregnant students must obtain antibody titres, however, they are exempted from immunizations during pregnancy.
- (3) Family planning is strongly encouraged for three months before and after immunization. If pregnancy is a possibility, the students are advised to have pregnancy testing before immunization.
- (4) Immunizations may be obtained from San Diego State University Student Health Services, San Diego Health Department or from a private health care provider.

2. **Polio - All Students must have:**

- (1) **Documented evidence** of primary polio immunization series
- (2) Or, if student cannot provide documentation of childhood polio immunization series, student must begin a series of an inactivated polio vaccine upon acceptance into the School of Nursing.

- 3. Hepatitis B immunization series (HBV) is to begin upon admission to the School of Nursing. The series must be completed with a year of admission including the Hepatitis B titre. If this titre is within acceptable limits as defined by the San Diego County Public Health Department, then no further action is necessary. Otherwise, the series must be repeated.
- 4. MMR immunizations and PPD testing is available at SDSU Student Health Services at no charge (there is a fee for other immunizations), or at cost from a private health care provider.

2. **Recommended Immunizations**

- 1. Influenza (fall only)

3. **PPD TESTING**

- 1. All students are required to have a PPD (TB) skin test upon entry into the School of Nursing. Thereafter, students demonstrating negative PPD will be retested annually.
- 2. If a positive PPD test is obtained, a baseline chest x-ray is required. If the chest x-ray is positive, the student needs to follow the current San Diego County Public Health Department policy. A health clearance form is needed from the student own provider or the San Diego County Health Department to continue in the clinical area.
- 3. The results of PPD testing must be documented and submitted to SDSU Student Health Services.

III. Writing Competency Requirement:

How was requirement met? _____

IV. Are you able to converse in a language other than English? If so, what language? _____

V. Current R.N. License? Yes _____ No _____

State _____ License No. _____

VI. Military Corps person? Yes _____ No _____

Branch of Service _____

Military Corps School _____

Dates of Attendance _____

VII. Other nursing education or clinical experience? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

I verify that to the best of my knowledge, all information given in this application is true and complete.

Signature

Date

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The School of Nursing is routinely requested to provide profile information about students who are accepted and/or apply to the program. This information is not considered as part of the application nor will it be used in determining your admission status. Although the information request is OPTIONAL, we would appreciate your cooperation in completing this questionnaire.

Name _____ Red ID (if applicable) _____

Current Address _____

_____ Phone Number _____

Permanent Address _____

_____ Phone Number _____

Birth date _____ Marital Status _____ No. of Children _____

Name of Spouse _____ His/Her Occupation _____

Previous Health Care Experience: _____

Positions of Employment in the last five years: _____

Ethnic Background:

___ American Indian	___ Asian	___ White
___ African-American	___ SE Asian	___ Other/Not Stated
___ Mexican-American	___ Pacific Islander	___ International
___ Other Hispanic	___ Filipino	

Financial Assistance Needed: Yes _____ No _____

College/University currently enrolled: _____

Signature

Date