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Make San Diego State University School of Nursing Your Pathway to Success
Graduates of the SDSU School of Nursing hold excellent reputations in the extended medical community. Earning your degree from San Diego State University greatly increases your employment options after graduation. The RN to BS program is available for Registered Nurses. The duration of the program may vary in length however most students can complete the Bachelor of Science degree in two years.

Nursing
Nurses are in demand throughout the country and are needed in such settings as hospitals, community health, jails, outreach programs, public schools, health maintenance organizations, and clinics serving under-privileged, minority, and rural populations. Completion of the RN-BS program provides the required experience to obtain a Public Health Nurse Certificate from the California Board of Registered Nurses.

Admission Requirements to the RN-BS Program
Prospective students must apply to both the School of Nursing RN-BS Program and to the University Office of Admissions. Admission to the School of Nursing is contingent upon admission to SDSU and successfully completing all program admission criteria. Passing the NCLEX and a current RN license is required of all students at by the start of the program.

The School of Nursing requires a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better for admission to the RN-BS program, with a 3.0 or better within the prerequisite courses. The following courses must be completed with the minimum grade as noted below:

- **Human Anatomy with Lab**, 4 semester units, minimum grade of B-
- **Human Physiology with Lab**, 4 semester units, minimum grade of B-
- **Microbiology with Lab**, 4 semester units, minimum grade of B-
- **Chemistry with Lab** (general, organic, inorganic, or integrated B1) 5 semester units, minimum grade of C
- **Statistics** (CSU GE math/quant reasoning B4) 3 semester units, minimum grade of C
- **Oral Communication** (CSU GE Area A1) 3 semester units, minimum grade of C
- **Written Communication** (CSU GE Area A2) 3 semester units, minimum grade of C
- **Critical Thinking** (CSU GE Area A3) 3 semester units, minimum grade of C
- **General Education Requirements** (See SDSU General Catalog)

How to Apply
Filing period October 1st- November 30th for entrance into the following Fall term.

- Applicants must be eligible for admission to the University.
  - Apply to San Diego State University. [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)
  - Application is completed online (fee required)
- Apply to the SDSU School of Nursing online. SDSU is currently accepting transfer students annually for Fall admission only. [www.nursing.sdsu.edu](http://www.nursing.sdsu.edu)
- Transcripts must be received by the SDSU Office of Admissions by January 30, 2015.
### RN-BS Program Requirements - Total 120 units*

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*See catalog for full details of curriculum plan

### Cross-Enrollment
San Diego ADN community college students at City, Grossmont, and Southwestern colleges may cross-enroll for 1-2 courses while still completing their ADN coursework.

### SDSU Upper Division General Education Requirements

WPA: Writing Proficiency Assessment
- Taken the first semester of enrollment
- Score determines the need for additional composition coursework

Nine (9) units of upper-division general education courses called Explorations
- Required PSY 351: Psychology of Personality (3 units)
- Recommended PHIL330: Medical Ethics (3 units)

International Experience Requirement for first time Bachelor’s students
- A 10-14 day passport experience required by the College of Health & Human Services. See SDSU General Catalog for details or [http://chhs.sdsu.edu/international/](http://chhs.sdsu.edu/international/)
  Options include:
  1. Study Abroad
  2. N458 Leadership: travel abroad credit for Nicaragua trip

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