SECOND DEGREE BACCALUAREATE STUDENTS

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 duration of the program may vary in length however most students can complete the Bachelor of Science degree in one- two years.

Nursing Curriculum Overview

As a second degree baccalaureate student, you will be pleased to learn that you will only have to take the upper division nursing courses for a BSN. The international requirement is waived, as are other GE courses. Likewise, your writing proficiency requirement (WPA exam) is already completed. Most of these classes are some combination of on-ground classroom study and on-line. Some of these do require clinical. 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 eight 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

- Applicants must be eligible for admission: Apply to San Diego State University
  - www.csumentor.edu
  - Application is completed online (fee required)
  - 2nd Baccalaureate students pay graduate tuition and fees (about 15% higher)

- Apply to the SDSU School of Nursing online. SDSU is currently accepting transfer students annually for Fall admission only.
  - www.nursing.sdsu.edu
  - Application filing period begins on October 1st, and concludes on November 30th, for entrance into the following Fall term.

- Transcripts must be received by the SDSU Office of Admissions by January 30, 2015
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*See catalog for full details of curriculum plan

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