

Cerritos College - Registered Nursing Program



Application Instructions - Option A Possible admission to Fall of 2026 or Spring of 2027

Application Cycle: Spring 2026

January 26, 2026 (8am)– February 27, 2026 (4pm)

Thank you for your interest in Cerritos College Registered Nursing Program.

We have an electronic process for application submission.

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY!

Applications will not be accepted after 4:00 pm on February 27, 2026 (Pacific Standard Time). Incomplete and/or late applications will not be considered.

STEP ONE: Please review the admission requirements for the Nursing Program found on the Nursing website.

STEP TWO: Attend a meeting with a Health Sciences and Wellness Pathway Counselor* OR review the video on the Nursing website to ensure that you are clear on the admission requirements and application process. Be sure that you have completed all prerequisite courses AND grade point average requirements.

**Meeting with a Counselor is not required, but highly recommended if you have questions.*

STEP THREE: Gather and complete ALL required documentation and application materials.

- Option A Application (MultiSelective Criterion - MSC)
 - Complete ALL pages, including check list, signature, initials, dates, and total your units, grade point averages, and MSC points.
 - Gather all supporting documents for MSC criterion.
 - Work / Volunteer Letters- Must be on letterhead and signed by your employer and include: employment status, paid PT or FT or volunteer, job title, dates of employment or volunteer work, how many hours completed, duties and responsibilities.
- Unofficial transcripts for all college work: You MUST submit these transcripts for verification of completed prerequisite courses, as well as for any courses you would like considered for points. When admitted to the program, the student will then supply OFFICIAL transcripts to Admissions and Records. Unclear transcripts will disqualify the candidate.

STEP FOUR: Combine all documents into one PDF file* in the following order:

1. Completed the application, including the checklist
2. Unofficial transcripts
3. Supporting documents (including work/volunteer experience, degrees/ certificates, TEAS or HESI score, military paperwork, life experience documentation)

*Final PDF files MUST be **10 MB or LESS** in size. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all necessary items are included and received, as well as legible. Documents that are not legible or scanned incorrectly, so that important information is cut out of the borders, will not be accepted.

Once submitted, changes or updates will not be accepted. Applications submitted after February 27, 2026 at 4:00 pm (Pacific Standard Time) will not be accepted. Adobe Acrobat and other scanning apps for smart phones will allow for adding pages to one document and/or adjusting file size. Please check the QUALITY of your scanned file to make sure all items are legible and have not lost formatting.

STEP FIVE: Name your PDF file as follows:

- Last Name_First Name_Option A_App2026
- *Example: Nightingale_Florence_OptionA_App2026*

STEP SIX: Email your PDF file to Nursing-Apps@cerritos.edu

1. Please include in the SUBJECT LINE:

your First and Last Name and Option of Entry and APP2026

Example: "Florence Nightingale - OptionA – APP2026"

2. Attach your ONE PDF file to the email. Be sure that the email attachment is not greater than 10MB in size.

Do NOT send multiple scanned items nor multiple emails with varied items and formats. We will accept ONE EMAIL with ONE PDF file attachment.

Once you have submitted your application successfully, you should receive an auto-reply email from Nursing-Apps@cerritos.edu.

If you do not receive an auto-reply email after submitting your application, please do the following:

1. Double check your spam or junk folder.
2. Make sure that you followed all instructions and the file size and type was accurate and < 10MB.
3. Check your "sent" folder to be sure that it sent.
4. Reach out to Nursing-Apps@cerritos.edu to inquire if you feel you submitted all documents correctly and cannot find the confirmation.

THANK YOU!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING YOUR APPLICATION.

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