



## OPTION A – GENERIC STUDENT INFORMATION PACKET

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE – ASN  
(*requirements beginning Fall 2024*)

### SPRING 2026 - APPLICATION CYCLE

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The Cerritos College Nursing Program offers eligible candidates who are selected for admission, the opportunity to prepare for professional nursing through the pursuit of specific knowledge and skills. Graduates receive an Associate of Science (ASN) Degree and are eligible for the National Counsel Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) examination for licensure as a Registered Nurse.

#### **OPTION A APPLICANTS:**

- Option A applicants complete the entire two years (4 semesters) of nursing studies.
- Must complete required (4) prerequisites, TEAS or HESI Entrance Exam, meet grade point average requirements.
- Submit an electronic application with supporting documents during the annual application cycle (opens in January, closes in February).

ALL Option A applicants will be screened using the **Multi Selective Criterion (MSC)**.

- 50% of the admission for the following academic year will be filled from the applicants with the highest points on the MSC.
- 50% of admission for the following academic year will be filled by a random selection process (lottery).

All applicants must be fully eligible, and applications must be complete when submitted; no additional information may be added after it has been submitted and no late applications will be accepted.

No waitlist is maintained. If an applicant is not admitted and has continued interest in the Cerritos College Nursing Program, the applicant must reapply during following cycle the next January.

### **PROGRAM PREREQUISITES:**

- A&P 150, A&P 151, English Composition, and MICR 200 with GPA of 2.5 or higher
  - Only ONE of the prerequisite courses (A&P 150, A&P 151, English Composition, MICR 200) can be repeated for a grade of "C" or higher.
    - Two or more repeated prerequisites due to grades of "D" or "F" will disqualify the applicant.
  - A 6-year recency on all science prerequisites is highly recommended but not required.
  - If an applicant repeats a prerequisite for recency and has passed the prerequisite with a "C" or higher the first time taken, that is not considered a "repeat prerequisite."
- Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning (statistics is recommended: ECON 210, Math 112S, PSYC 210 or STAT C1000)

### **ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Completed high school or have a GED
- This degree requires the completion of General Education coursework including the following courses:
  - PSYC 251, Developmental Psychology (3units)
  - SOC 101 Introductory Sociology Principles (3units)
  - Oral Communication (3 units)
  - Art or Humanities (3 units)
  - American Institutions (3 units)
  - Ethnic Studies (3 units)
- In addition to the courses listed above, students seeking to transfer should complete [Plan B](#) , [Plan C](#) or [Cal-GETC](#)
- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher for all prerequisite courses as well as for all completed college coursework
- TEAS Exam  $\geq$  62% **OR** HESI Exam  $\geq$  70% (\*HESI must have a science section)

## NURSING CURRICULUM PATHWAY

(curriculum beginning Fall 2024 and beyond)

PRIOR TO APPLICATION	Semester Units
Academic Reading and Writing: English Composition (C1000, C1000E, ESL180)	4.0
A&P150 (Anatomy)	4.0
A&P 151 (Physiology)	4.0
MICRO 200 (Microbiology)	5.0
Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning (MATH 112S rec)	3.0

**\*SUBMIT APPLICATION TO THE NURSING PROGRAM**

NURSING SEMESTER 1	Semester Units
ADN210: Foundational Concepts of Nursing: Lecture and Clinical	5.0
ADN215: Healthcare Participant: Lecture and Clinical	3.0
N200A: Pharmacology I: Lecture	1.0
TOTAL UNITS	9.0 units

NURSING SEMESTER 2	
ADN220: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts: Lecture and Clinical	5.0
ADN225: Maternal Newborn Health Concepts	3.0
ADN200B: Pharmacology 2	1.0
TOTAL UNITS	9.0 units

<b>NURSING SEMESTER 3</b>	
ADN230: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts 2	4.5
ADN235: Mental Health Concepts	3.5
ADN200C: Pharmacology 3	1.0
<b>TOTAL UNITS</b>	<b>9.0 units</b>

<b>NURSING SEMESTER 4</b>	
ADN240: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts 3	4.5
ADN245: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts 4	4.5
<b>TOTAL UNITS</b>	<b>9.0 units</b>
<b>TOTAL NURSING UNITS</b>	<b>36 Units</b>

**Complete a minimum of 60 units including the total number of units described above and the General Education requirements with an overall GPA of 2.0 to qualify for the Associate of Science degree.**

BRN Licensure requires to be included in the general education:

- 1) Communication (6units)
- 2) Sciences (16units) (include societal and cultural patterns; psychology, sociology; developmental psychology)
- 3) Communication (6units)

Students will complete all required units of General Education to award an Associate Degree in Science in Nursing as listed under additional program requirements above (page 2).

## **OPTIONAL: CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PATHWAY (CEP):**



Cerritos College has partnered with National University (NU) Nursing to provide a Concurrent Enrollment Pathway (CEP) program for qualified applicants. Qualified applicants have applied for admission to the Cerritos College (CC) Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) Registered Nursing (RN) program, have met all program eligibility requirements, and have been selected for admission may also apply for the CEP pathway if they have met all CEP eligibility requirements.

A CEP applicant agrees to be dually enrolled in the CC ASN-RN Program and NU Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program, concurrently, and complete simultaneous coursework for each higher education institution. The student will complete 9-units with Cerritos College and 3-units with National University each semester. The graduate from the CC ASN-RN CEP will earn an ASN and will be eligible to apply for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) for licensure as a Registered Nurse in the State of California. Upon completing the ASN and successfully passing the NCLEX-RN examination for licensure (following licensure), the graduate will then seamlessly continue their bachelor studies with NU, completing the remaining units for their BSN in less than one year.

### **CEP Eligibility Requirements:**

- Complete and submit the CC Nursing Program application by the deadline.
- Meet ALL eligibility requirements for the CC Nursing Program (pre-requisites, GPA, TEAS score)
- Receive at least 60 points on the MultiSelective Criterion (MSC)
- Be eligible for CSU, IGETC or CAL-GETC certification:
  - Students can request certification from Cerritos College if they have completed 12 or more units at Cerritos College  
<https://www.cerritos.edu/admissions-and-records/transcripts/ge-igetc-request.htm>.
  - Students who have not completed 12 or more units at Cerritos College may request certification through their primary college of attendance.
  - Students who have completed a Bachelor's Degree at a college or university accredited in the U.S. will not be required to be certified.
- The applicant is responsible for ensuring that ALL unofficial up-to-date transcripts and other necessary documentation have been received by the CC Nursing Program at the time of application.

*\*Tuition for courses taken at NU will be at a discounted rate of \$880.00 per course. Additional fees for books, etc. will apply\**

## CEP - NURSING CURRICULUM PATHWAY

(curriculum beginning Fall 2024 and beyond)

*All requirements of the Pathway above but including an additional 3.0unit course with National University each semester while enrolled in the nursing program.*

NURSING SEMESTER 1	Semester Units
ADN210: Foundational Concepts of Nursing: Lecture and Clinical	5.0
ADN215: Healthcare Participant: Lecture and Clinical	3.0
N200A: Pharmacology I: Lecture	1.0
<i>SOC 350: Cultural Diversity (National University) *</i>	3.0

NURSING SEMESTER 2	
ADN220: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts: Lecture and Clinical	5.0
ADN225: Maternal Newborn Health Concepts	3.0
ADN200B: Pharmacology 2	1.0
<i>HTM 310: Health Informatics (National University) *</i>	3.0

NURSING SEMESTER 3	Semester Units
ADN230: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts 2	4.5
ADN235: Mental Health Concepts	3.5
ADN200C: Pharmacology 3	1.0
<i>BST 322: BioMedical Statistics (National University) *</i>	3.0

**CEP NURSING CURRICULUM PATHWAY**  
**(curriculum beginning Fall 2024 and beyond)**

<b>NURSING SEMESTER 4</b>	
AND240: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts 3: lecture and clinical	4.5
AND245: Nursing Health and Illness Concepts 4: lecture and clinical	4.5
<i>NSG 303: Professional Issues for Nurses (National University) *</i>	3.0

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36 Nursing Units (CC) 9 Nursing Units (NU)</b>
<b>Complete/Pass NCLEX – RN Exam</b>	<b>31.5</b>
<b>CONTINUE AT NATIONAL UNIVERSITY: (20 units)</b> NSG 443: Evidence Based Practice NSG 442: Nursing Leadership and Management NSG442A: Nursing Leadership and Management Practicum NSG 444: Community/Population Based Nursing NSG 444A: Community/Population based Nursing Practicum NSG 447: Quality Improvement NSG 447A: Quality Improvement Practicum	
<b>Graduate from National University with BSN in &lt; 10 months</b>	