BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING FOR RNs
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree for RNs is a two-year, upper division program especially designed for ADN graduates.
- An opportunity to interact with a diverse student population
- A complete library as well as computer resources
- Free assistance to improve reading/writing skills
- An opportunity to take elective classes from any department in the university
- Free counseling and access to support groups and social organizations

THE SCHOOL OF NURSING OFFERS:
- Over 50 years of experience in nursing education
- A nationally recognized, ethnically diverse faculty
- A faculty available for personal counseling and support to help you reach your academic goals
- A Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) accredited by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and the California Board of Registered Nursing

THE PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO:
- Expand your skills, knowledge and scope of nursing practice
- Increase your understanding of today’s health care environment
- Offer study in a selected area of clinical practice in the senior year
- Prepare graduates to practice in collaborative or leadership roles in hospitals, clinics, and community health care agencies
- Prepare graduates for eligibility for the California Public Health Nursing Certificate

GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
- Graduation from an accredited Associate Degree program
  - Chemistry
  - Lower Division Statistics
- Grades of “C” or better in all courses
- Must have a complete GE Packet with 56-70 transferable units. Determination of transferable units is made by the CSULB Office of Enrollment Services
- A valid California RN license and nursing malpractice insurance required for first clinical nursing course
- CSULB Writing Proficiency Exam must be attempted your first semester as a University requirement.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE
Students are admitted to the University and to the Nursing Program in the Fall and Spring semesters.

Requirements for Each Applicant:
1. Completion of the application process for admission to CSULB is prior to admission into the nursing program (apply online at www.csmentor.edu). Send in one set of official transcripts of all college work for the CSULB application.
2. Complete nursing application for admission to the ADN-BSN program (included in this pamphlet). Attach to it an official copy of your transcript verifying your ADN degree. May use unofficial transcripts (student’s copy) only until official transcripts are received. Please note that official transcripts will be required for final processing. Transcripts are to be mailed to:
   CSULB, School of Nursing
   ATTN: NRSGBS02
   1250 Bellflower Blvd.
   Long Beach, CA 90840-0301

GRADUATES OF DIPLOMA PROGRAMS
RN Diploma School graduates are urged to seek information/admission to a community college that offers the opportunity to earn academic credit for a diploma nursing program.

HEALTH and BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS
Upon admission to the program, all students will be required to pass a departmental health examination, a personal background check, and be evaluated on their ability to meet the department’s Essential Performance Guidelines. For more information, see the Undergraduate Handbook on-line at http://www.csulb.edu/colleges/chhs/departments/nursing

SPECIAL ADMISSIONS
GRADUATES OF FOREIGN NURSING PROGRAMS
All applications of graduates of foreign nursing programs are processed through the Center for International Education (CIE) Admission Service in Brotman Hall 201. Applicants must have satisfactorily completed a TOEFL exam and present copies of their original foreign transcript and its official translation. Please refer to this office for current admission requirements at (562) 985-5476. In addition, for the School of Nursing, they must pass the State Board Test Pool Examination or National Council Licensure Examinations (NCLEX) prior to admission.

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Note: Required courses in must be completed with a grade of C or higher to progress to semester three nursing courses.

Post-Baccalaureate Students: please contact Monalisa Ward at Monalisa.Ward@csulb.edu to discuss pathway plan as Capstones will not be required. If degree is from US regionally accredited program, the WPE is not required.

Upper Division GE: All students are required to complete a minimum of 9 units of Upper Division GEs. Health Care Delivery Systems and the Advanced Area of Concentration count for 6 of these units. You will need a total of 120 units to graduate. If your ADN Degree is not GE certified, more General Education courses may be required.

***Summer Session: only certain nursing classes are available at this time. Check with the online schedule of classes to see which ones. When more become available in the future, we will notify students.

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Application deadlines for the School of Nursing:
• September 15 for Spring Semester
• February 15 for Fall Semester

Application deadlines for the University:
• August 31 for Spring Semester
• November 30 for Fall Semester

**Note: 3 separate applications for CSULB and the School of Nursing are required (two for CSULB and one for School of Nursing)**

COURSE OF STUDY: Specific general education, elective, support, and nursing courses are required for graduation. All courses in the nursing program are taken in sequence. Waivers for specific courses are available. This should be discussed with the program advisor and the university advisors. A total of 120 units are needed for graduation with a BSN degree. The program can be taken on a part-time or full-time basis.

INFORMATIVE GROUP COUNSELING SESSIONS: Please attend a group counseling session for the ADN to BSN program. These sessions provide you with more detailed information and answers to questions you may have. For more information please contact ADN Advisor Dr. Beth Keely at Beth.Keely@csulb.edu, Catherine Mullins at Catherine.Mullins@csulb.edu or Monalisa Ward at Monalisa.Ward@csulb.edu.

Group Counseling sessions are 4:30 – 5:30 pm in the School of Nursing during the Fall and Spring semesters. Please refer to the dates listed on the School of Nursing website. Parking is available in any pay lot.

Telephone numbers that may be helpful:
University Phone Numbers (Area Code 562):
Academic Advising 985-2691
Enrollment Services 985-5471
School of Nursing 985-4463
Center for International Education 985-5476
Testing Services 985-4006
Veteran’s Affairs 985-5115