BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING FOR THE RN
Fast Track your BSN experience with CSULB School of Nursing! The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program for RNs is a complimentary experience while you complete your ADN degree. This upper division program is especially designed for current ADN students.

- An opportunity to interact with a diverse student population.
- 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) degree 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.
- 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.
- A CSU transferable Chemistry class w/ a lab.
- Lower Division Statistics.
- 2.75 Nursing/Overall GPA minimum.
- 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 in your first semester as a University requirement.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE
STEP UP PROGRAM: For the summer Step Up program, students need to FIRST complete the Summer Step Up Eligibility Form, which can be found on the website, and provide unofficial transcripts.

TRADITIONAL PROGRAM: When it is time for a Step Up student to transfer to CSULB, then ALL students must apply for the Traditional RN-BSN program. Students are admitted to the University and to the Nursing Program in the Fall and Spring semesters.

Requirements for Each Traditional Applicant:
Completion of the application process for admission to CSULB is required prior to admission into the nursing program (apply online at www.csumentor.edu). Send in one set of official transcripts of all college work for the CSULB application. Complete RN-BSN Nursing Application for admission to the ADN-BSN program. 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

HEALTH and BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS
Upon admission to the Traditional 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.

SPECIAL ADMISSIONS GRADUATES OF FOREIGN NURSING PROGRAMS
All applications of graduates of foreign nursing programs are processed through the Center for International Education (CEI) 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.

SCHEDULE:
FULL Time (May go Part Time)

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- Mandatory: attempt & pass WPE
- Mandatory: CSU Writing Intensive
- If Needed: Global Issues
- Recommended: Psychology 310 Stats

NOTE: 300 level courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher and NCLEX must be passed, in order to take N402 and Preceptorship.

POST-BACCALAUREATE STUDENTS:
Please contact Monalisa Ward at Monalisa.Ward@csulb.edu to discuss pathway plan. WPE is not required if degree is from a US regionally accredited program. Upper Division GE: All students are required to complete a minimum of 9 units of Upper Division GEs. Community Health and the Advanced Area of Concentration count for 6 of these units. A 3 unit Non-Nursing Writing Intensive Capstone is required. 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: Summer classes are not covered through financial aid. Class availability is limited during summer. Check with the online class schedule.

**Official application deadlines for the School of Nursing:**
- September 10 for Spring Semester
- February 10 for Fall Semester

**Official 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):**
- CHHS 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