

Accelerated BSN Overview

The Accelerated BSN is a full-time program and will require a major commitment of time to complete. Each student will be required to complete 65 semester units of study within the five academic-term program. Approximately 26 units of the program consists of clinical study, which begins as early as 7:00 a.m. or extends as late as 11:00 p.m. Prospective students should take into consideration the demanding nature of this program prior to submitting an application for admission. Clinical rotations may vary by day and time each month; therefore, students should not plan on working while enrolled in this program.

Program Cohort

The program will admit one cohort of approximately 40 students per academic year. Each new cohort will begin in fall semester. The program will consist of five academic-terms of study, including a summer term and a winter intersession term. Students admitted to the Accelerated BSN cohort will enter with a pre-designated course of study and are guaranteed a space in every class.

Special Note: There will be a limit of 2 International Students per admitted cohort.

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree (from a regionally accredited institution, or U.S. equivalent for degree coursework completed outside of the U.S.)
- Minimum 2.5 G.P.A. in the last 60 units completed.
- Completion of the Pre-Nursing Core.
- Minimum of 2.75 G.P.A. in Pre-Nursing Core ("C" grades or higher, "C-" grades are not acceptable).
- Completion of additional CSUSM lower-division GE BRN-required courses, and other CSUSM graduation requirements.
- Passage of the T.E.A.S. exam with a minimum 71.0% composite score.

T.E.A.S. Exam

All Accelerated BSN applicants are required to pass the Test of Essential Academic Skills (T.E.A.S.) exam with a minimum composite score of 71.0% in order to be considered for program admission.

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Pre-Nursing Core

Students are required to fulfill the Pre-Nursing Core prior to the program start date. The Pre-Nursing Core can be fulfilled through coursework taken at other universities or community colleges. For a list of articulated courses at other institutions, we recommend visiting <http://www.assist.org/>

CSU GE Area	CSUSM Course	CSUSM Course Title	Units	Corequisite(C) Prerequisite (P)
B2	BIOL 175	Intro to Anatomy/Phys I	4	None
	BIOL 176	Intro to Anatomy/Phys II	4	P -- BIOL 175
	BIOL 160	Microbiology	4	None
B1	CHEM 100	Organic & Biochemistry for Life	3	P -- ELM requirement
B1	CHEM 100L	Organic & Biochemistry for Life Laboratory	2	C -- CHEM 100
B4	MATH	**Any CSU B4 mathematics course	3	P -- ELM requirement
A1	GEO 102	Oral Communication	3	None
A2	GEW 101	Written Communication	3	None
A3	LTWR 115	Critical Reading & Thinking	3	P -- GEW 101
or	MATH 110	Critical Thinking	3	None
or	PHIL 110	Critical Thinking	3	None
or	PSYC 110	Critical Thinking in Psychology	3	None

Note: All science courses completed must include labs.

**Statistics courses taken out-of-state, at private universities and colleges, and at University of California (UC) campuses do not count toward the CSUSM Area B4 general education requirement.

Additional BRN and Lower-Division CSU GE Requirements

Students are required to fulfill the following additional BRN and CSU lower-division GE requirements prior to entering the program. For a list of articulated courses at other institutions, we recommend visiting <http://www.assist.org/>. For courses taken out-of-state, please consult the Extended Learning academic advisor.

Area	CSUSM Course	CSUSM Course Title	Units	Corequisite (C) Prerequisite (P)
BRN	ANTH 200	Cultural Anthropology	3	None
or	SOC 101	Intro to Sociology	3	None
BRN	BIOL 215	Experimental Design & Statistical Analysis	3	None
BRN	PSYC	Introduction to Psychology	3	None

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BRN	SOC 303	Families and Intimate Relationships	3	None
BRN	PSYC 210	Intro to Developmental Psychology	3	None
or	SOC 204	Human Relations Across the Life Span	3	None
GE- A.I.	HIST 130	U.S. History (1500-1877)	3	None
or	HIST 131	U.S. History (1877-Present)	3	None
GE - A.I.	PSCI 100	U.S. Government and Politics	3	None
GE LANG	See Link	Note: Completion of the Language Other Than English Requirement (LOTER) is required of all baccalaureate students, including additional bachelor students. For additional information about how to satisfy this requirement, please visit: http://lynx.csusm.edu/llc/graduation_requirement.asp	0-11	Consult course requirements

CSU Upper-Division GE Requirements

Students admitted to the program are required to complete the CSU Upper-Division GE courses in residence at CSUSM. These courses are considered part of the ABSN program and will be scheduled through Extended Learning for the cohort. Each cohort will begin the ABSN program during fall semester by taking the required upper-division courses listed below. For additional information, please consult with the Extended Learning academic advisor.

Area	CSUSM Course	CSUSM Course Title	Units	Corequisites (C) Prerequisites(P)
BB	BIOL 323	The Physiology of Nutrition & Disease	3	None
CC	PHIL 345	Bioethics and Medical Ethics	3	None
DD	ANTH 301	Culture & Medicine Healers & Healing Practices	3	None

Accelerated BSN Course Requirements (65 units)

Students admitted to the Accelerated BSN program will complete the following courses as part of a 17-month cohort. Students may not take the courses independently or fulfill program course requirements by taking courses at other institutions.

CSUSM Course	CSUSM Course Title	Units
NURS 300	Fundamentals of Nursing Communication & Skills	4
NURS 301	Practicum: Fundamentals of Nursing	3
NURS 314	Health Assessment, Teaching, & Health Promotion	4
NURS 315	Practicum: Health Assessment & Teaching	2
NURS 316A	Pathophysiology	2
NURS 316B	Pathophysiology	2

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NURS 322	Nursing of Adults in the Acute Care Setting I	4
NURS 323	Practicum: Nursing of Adults in the Acute Care Setting I	4
NURS 324	Nursing of Adults in the Acute Care Setting II	4
NURS 325	Practicum: Nursing of Adults in the Acute Care Setting II	4
NURS 330	Nursing Care of Women, Childbearing Families & Children	4
NURS 331	Practicum: Nursing Care of Women, Childbearing Families & Children	4
NURS 352	Nursing Research	3
NURS 360	Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	2
NURS 361	Practicum: Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	2
NURS 440	Community Health Nursing	3
NURS 442	Nursing Case Management	3
NURS 447	Practicum: Community Health Nursing and Nursing Case Management	4
NURS 450	Nursing Leadership and Health Care Issues	3
NURS 451	Practicum: Nursing Leadership and Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing	2
NURS 495	Externship for Accelerated Students	2