



TRADITIONAL NURSING PROGRAM FAQ'S

How are students admitted to the Impacted TBSN Nursing Major?

FRESHMAN

A limited number of freshmen are admitted directly into the Nursing Major.

These first-year students, from the local area, are admitted using the highest eligibility index and GPA. Eligible local area freshmen applicants not offered a spot in Nursing, are automatically admitted to their alternative major or to Undeclared if no alternative was selected in CSU Apply.

TRANSFERS

Eligible local area transfers who meet the minimum transfer eligibility and have submitted all supplemental nursing application documents will be reviewed for admission to Nursing utilizing impaction criteria for the major. Eligible local area transfer applicants who are not offered spots in Nursing will be denied for reason of impaction once rank ordered and reviewed by department for requirements. Eligible non-local transfer applicants will be denied for impaction based on the volume of applications and local area priority.

Can I attend the University under one major and then switch my major into Nursing?

- No, while we would like to offer admission to every CSU-eligible applicant, our enrollment capacity and resources do not permit this.
- The TBSN Nursing major has a limited number of seats and uses impaction criteria for admission.
- Eligible local area applicants are admitted either as a first-year student or a transfer student.

I only want to pursue Nursing. What are my options?

- Apply in high school as a freshman student.
- Attend the community college and apply to the nursing major as a transfer student. Follow the transfer articulation for nursing using www.assist.org.
- Receive your bachelor's degree in another major and take your pre-nursing core courses through a Community College or Extended Learning. Once completed, apply to our Accelerated BSN program offered through CSUSM Extended Learning.

What are the pre-nursing core courses needed for Nursing?

CSU "Golden Four" basic skills Courses	Pre-Nursing Core Science Courses
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A1 Oral Communication• A2 Written Communication• A3 Critical Thinking• B4 Statistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P I or Anatomy• A&P II or Physiology• Microbiology• Integrated Chemistry

How do I find out more information about the Accelerated BSN program?

- Attend an Information Session offered by Extended Learning @ <http://www.csusm.edu/el/degreeprograms/absn/index.html>

What are my other options?

- Take the opportunity to learn about other health related careers that involve helping others.
- Explore other majors that have a health focus, such as Human Development.
- Consider other majors that lead to 'helping' professions, such as Liberal Studies or Sociology.
- Keep your options open. Learn about your aptitudes, interests, and career values to find an alternate career in which you will find fulfillment.
- Visit the Career Center where you can do a career assessment and explore other major options.