

AP 4106 Nursing Programs

Reference:

Education Code Sections 66055.8, 66055.9, 70101-70106, 78260, 72861, 78261.3, 78261.5, 87482, 89267, 89267.3, and 92645;
Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq. and 55521;
Health and Safety Code Section 128050

1.0 Students with Baccalaureate or Higher Degrees

1.1 All applicants to a District nursing program will be required to submit official copies of original transcripts.

1.1.1 Submitted transcripts will be reviewed by an appropriately qualified counselor and/or campus evaluators to determine if the applicant already holds a baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning.

1.2 Nursing students with an earned baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning will not be required to complete any additional general education coursework within the District in fulfillment of requirements for a District nursing program. No course work beyond that required specifically for nursing licensure in the State of California will be required of these students.

1.3 Section 1.2 notwithstanding, students with an earned baccalaureate or higher degree will be required to take all courses required for the nursing major that have not been completed previously.

2.0 Selection of Qualified Applicants

2.1 When the number of applications for a District Registered Nursing Program exceeds the number of available positions, students may be admitted by any of the following procedures:

2.1.1 A random selection process.

2.1.2 A blended combination of random selection and a multi-criteria screening process.

2.1.3 A multi-criteria screening process.

2.2 The College Nursing Program Selection Committee shall recommend procedures for selection of Nursing Program candidates to the appropriate President or designee. The procedures recommended shall be in accord with all appropriate statutes and regulations.

2.2.1 The President or designee shall approve applicant selection procedures prior to implementation.

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3.0 Multi-Criteria Screening

3.1 When a multi-criteria screening process for admission to a District nursing program is utilized, all five of the following shall be considered:

3.1.1 Academic degrees or diplomas, or relevant certificates held by the applicant.

3.1.1.1 Applicants will be asked to submit all degrees, diplomas, and certificates relevant to their application. Appropriately designated counselors and campus evaluators, in consultation with the Director of the Nursing Program, will determine actual relevancy of the submitted materials.

3.1.2 Grade Point Average (GPA) in relevant coursework.

3.1.2.1 Application evaluators shall establish a grade point average rating scale to provide higher priority for those applicants who have established her GPAs in prerequisite courses required for the nursing major.

3.1.3 Life experiences or special circumstances of the applicant.

3.1.3.1 The Selection Committee shall establish procedures to solicit and evaluate life experiences or special circumstances reported by applicants on the program application. These experiences and/or circumstances will be evaluated and rated in accord with standardized criteria in the selection process.

3.1.4 Proficiency or advanced level coursework in languages other than English.

3.1.4.1 Proficiency or advanced level coursework in languages other than English that are identified by the State Chancellor's Office from census data as high frequency languages will be evaluated and rated in accord with standardized criteria in the selection process. Proficiency and advanced level coursework in languages other than English will be established using official transcripts.

3.1.5 Any relevant work or volunteer experience.

3.1.5.1 Applicants will be asked to submit documentation of any previous relevant work or volunteer experience in health care. Documented work or volunteer experience will be evaluated and rated in accord with standardized criteria in the selection process.

See Board Policy 4106, Nursing Programs.

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