

College of **HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Student Resource Center

At the College of Health & Social Sciences' Student Resource Center, we can provide you with the support you need to navigate University policies and regulations, direct you towards appropriate support services and offer a compassionate ear in a time of frustration or stress as you deal with the pressures of work, school and family responsibilities. Drop by to make an appointment to see one of our advisors.

Services Offered

- Academic Planning (GE/DPR/Major)
- Transition Support for First Time Freshman and Transfers
- Impacted Major Consultation
- Academic Probation Support
- General Life/Support Counseling
- Career Prep and Planning
- Graduation Check (GE and Graduation Requirements)
- Resume and Cover Letter Help

CHSS Student Resource Center

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PRE-NURSING

FALL 2017

The Pre-Nursing designation allows students to continue exploration of various majors by selecting multidisciplinary General Education courses with a focus on nursing major prerequisite coursework. The prerequisite courses help prepare students for submitting an application to the Bachelor of Science Nursing program. The other courses may serve as the basis for other potential SF State majors as students determine which one is most appropriate for his or her skills, interests, and career goals.

ABOUT THE MAJOR

The Nursing Bachelor of Science (BSN) prelicensure program at SF State is a two-year program that prepares students for entry level positions in professional nursing practice in a variety of settings including hospitals, community clinics, long term care, home care and community health agencies. Graduates work as staff nurses in the following areas: maternity, pediatrics, medical-surgical nursing, gerontology, psychiatric/mental health and public/community health nursing.

Community Clinical Placement Statement

In accord with the SF State mission, the School of Nursing is dedicated to the practice of social justice and has an unwavering commitment to reducing health disparities. As part of fulfilling this commitment, most of the community health practicums are located in underserved San Francisco neighborhoods. While sometimes challenging, the School of Nursing believes that these experiences prepare students to become productive, ethical and active citizens.

IMPACTION

The SF State nursing major is an impacted program, meaning more qualified students apply than can be accommodated in the program. Those who are not admitted are encouraged to pursue an alternate major and then reapply as a second baccalaureate or entry level master's student.

Freshmen cannot be admitted to San Francisco State University as nursing majors. They instead can be admitted as Pre-Nursing or to an alternate major. Please note:

THE PRE-NURSING DESIGNATION DOES NOT GUARANTEE ADMISSION INTO THE NURSING MAJOR

The nursing program is highly competitive so we urge you to meet with an advisor to discuss backup options.

ADVISING FOR PRE-NURSING

Pre-Nursing students must work closely with counselors in the university Undergraduate Advising Center or the College of Health and Social Sciences Student Resource Center regarding schedule planning for prerequisite coursework. It is important for freshman to seek advisement beginning their first semester to remain on track for submitting an application to the nursing major, ideally, during the fall semester of sophomore year.



**SAN FRANCISCO
STATE UNIVERSITY**

Suggested course sequence to apply for admission by junior year*

FALL 2017

MATH 60/70 or 124 ISED 160 OR PSY 171
ENG 104 or 114
COMM 150 or AREA A3
BIOL 210/211
AREA C1 or C3

SPRING 2018

ENG 105 if needed or AREA A4
CHEM 101/102
COMM 150 or AREA A3 (Critical Thinking)
AREA C1 or C3

FALL 2018

BIOL 212/213
ENG 214 (AREA A4)
AREA D2 or D3
AREA D1 (PSYCH 200 Preferred)

SPRING 2018

BIOL 220
AREA D2 or D3
Upper Division GE
AREA C1 or C2

* AP and IB exam scores as well as courses taken at a community college can also impact the suggested course sequencing. If you are not sure how this will affect your scheduling, please contact an SRC advisor.

General Education Areas Potentially Met by Courses in this Major

Students who are admitted into the Nursing major will satisfy Upper Division GE Area D and SF State Studies AERM, AREA B, and SJ upon successful completion of the program.

School of Nursing Undergraduate Supplemental Application Periods

Spring Admission
August 23–September 17
8:59pm Pacific Time

Fall Admission
October 15–January 15
8:59pm Pacific Time

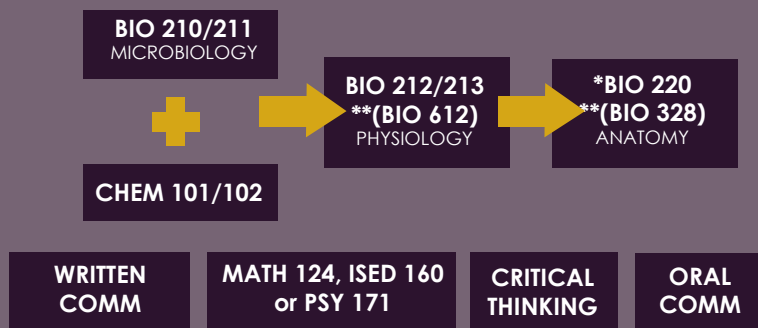
RESOURCES:

To learn more about the nursing major application process contact the **School of Nursing:**
BH 357 | nursing@sfsu.edu | (415) 338-1802
nursing.sfsu.edu

To identify nursing prerequisite course equivalencies offered at other schools visit:
www.assist.org

To find out more about this major set up an appointment with a **SRC advisor** by calling (415) 405-3740 or emailing srcenter@sfsu.edu

PREREQUISITE FLOW CHART



* BIO 220 may not be accepted at other nursing programs due to the virtual lab component. It is strongly recommended for students to take an 4 unit anatomy course with a lab at a community college. Please refer to www.assist.org for course equivalencies.

** BIO 612 and 328 are intended for Biology majors

NURSING MAJOR ADMISSION CRITERIA

The following requirements must be met to be eligible to apply.

Minimum Grade Point Average

Prerequisite GPA must be 3.0 or higher at the time of School of Nursing supplemental application.

Prerequisite Coursework

- At least 7 of the 8 prerequisite courses must be completed by the time of School of Nursing supplemental application submission. The 8th prerequisite course must be complete no later than the Fall or Spring semester prior to nursing major entry.
- A minimum grade of C is required in all prerequisite courses. A grade of C- is not acceptable.
- Please consult www.assist.org to determine comparable or articulated coursework taken at California community colleges or CSUs. If the course in question was taken at a UC, a private university, or outside of California please contact the School of Nursing.
- Repeating a prerequisite course is acceptable and the higher grade will be used by the School of Nursing Admissions Committee.

Supplemental Criteria

The following optional supplemental criteria will be considered for admission to the program:

- Health related work/volunteer experience
- Multicultural work/volunteer experience
- Multi-linguistic fluency within health-related or multicultural experiences
- Veteran or active duty military status

While these experiences are optional, the majority of our applicants fulfill these criteria. Evidence is presented by way of a letter of verification on the organization's stationery which describes the volunteer/work site and describes the student's role.

TEST OF ESSENTIAL ACADEMIC SKILLS

The **TEAS** exam measures basic essential skills in reading, math, science, English and language usage. Applicants for Fall 2018 entry must score 78 or higher within three attempts.

Please Note: Applicants for Fall 2017 and beyond must take the new version: ATI TEAS. We will no longer accept TEAS V.

ADDING, DROPPING AND WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES AFTER START OF SEMESTER

Please be aware of all deadlines. You may add courses via your Gateway until before the first day of instruction, provided there is space available. Once classes start, you will need permission numbers from your instructor to add classes via Gateway.

Dropping courses via your Gateway without it noted on your official records must occur within the first three weeks of each semester. After this three-week period, you are no longer allowed to drop courses via your Gateway. You must have a serious and compelling reason to withdraw from a course and submit a petition with objective supporting documentation. If approved, a "W" will appear on your transcript. All withdrawal petitions that lack serious and compelling reasons and/or viable supporting documentation will be denied within the College of Health & Social Sciences. Be conscientious about withdrawing from classes, as you are allowed a maximum of 18 units for withdrawal, and "W"s on your transcript can reflect poorly. Also keep in mind that you are only allowed to repeat a course once for a maximum of two times.

Lastly, it is ALWAYS students' responsibility to ensure that they are in the appropriate classes – always check your schedule!