



Los Angeles Harbor College

Division of Health Sciences

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Procedure for Application & Admission to the Los Angeles Harbor College Nursing Program

Make an appointment with a counselor at (310) 233-4230 early to review requirements and develop an educational plan; especially if you have coursework from another college or university.

In Order to Apply to The Nursing Program You Must Have Completed All Pre-requisites and Accomplished All of the Following:

- Achieve a grade of "C" or better **in all** pre-requisite coursework **and** a cumulative 2.5 or higher GPA on all work from U.S. accredited colleges or universities.
- Achieve a grade of "C" or better (**not "C-"**) **and** an overall **2.5 GPA** in Anatomy 1, Physiology 1, Microbiology 1 or 20 combined GPA **and** you may only repeat **one** of these courses in calculating the 2.5 GPA.
- English 101 (College Reading and Composition) with a grade of no less than a "C"
- Psychology 1 (General Psychology) with a grade of no less than a "C"
- Psychology 41 (Life Span Psychology) with a grade of no less than a "C"
- Pass college math competency exam **or** complete Intermediate Algebra (Math 123C) **or** higher math course from an accredited U.S. college or university with a grade of "C" or better.
- One college Chemistry course with a lab such as Harbor's Chemistry 65 **or** one year of H.S. chemistry passed with a "C" or better (**not C-**) for both semesters. (Note: U.S. High School *or* U.S. college chemistry with a lab is a pre-requisite for Microbiology and Physiology. Harbor's Chemistry 65 has a Math 123C pre-or co-requisite.)
- Graduation from a U.S. accredited high school, GED, **or** completion of A.A. **or** higher degree from a U.S. accredited college or university. *Foreign students must have either high school or college transcripts evaluated for equivalency to U.S. senior high school graduation or a U.S. college degree. All foreign coursework will receive the equivalent grade of "C" for each course given such credit.*
- **LVN students who are applying for the RN program are required to enroll in Nursing 311, 321, and 329A & B the semester prior to RN program admission. Must have current California L.V.N. license**

Application Directions:

- If you have not been taking courses at LAHC you need to apply for admission to Los Angeles Harbor College so you will have a LAHC student identification number **and** be able to do placement testing (if applicable).
- It is strongly recommended that students attend one of the information sessions. Dates are published on the website, <http://www.lahc.edu/classes/nursing/prospectivestudents.html>. For updates, follow us on twitter at LAHC Nursing LACCD Pre_Nursing.
- Applications can be found online at <http://www.lahc.edu/classes/nursing/prospectivestudents.html>. Applications will only be accepted August 1-September 2, 2011 for Spring 2012 entry, and January 7-February 11, 2012 for Fall 2012 (check website for exact dates and times). *No applications will be accepted before or after designated date and are not accepted on the weekends or holidays.*
- Transcripts (high school and college) - Students are required to attach official sealed transcript(s) with their Nursing application; **only** LAHC transcripts may be unofficial. Official transcripts from other colleges must also be mailed directly from the college to the LAHC Admissions office. (No hand carried transcripts are accepted in Admissions). Foreign students must have official sealed transcripts and sealed evaluation stating U.S. equivalency attached to application. **IMPORTANT NOTE: DO NOT HAVE ANY SCHOOL SEND A TRANSCRIPT DIRECTLY TO THE NURSING DEPARTMENT. ALL REQUIRED TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE ATTACHED TO YOUR APPLICATION. TRANSCRIPTS SENT DIRECTLY TO NURSING BY A SCHOOL WILL NOT BE MATCHED UP TO APPLICATIONS.**

Admission is based on Random Lottery:

- If the number of students that meet or exceed the minimum program requirements for entrance into the nursing program exceeds the number of vacancies, a random lottery will be conducted to select applicants to be invited to take the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills test (TEAS) version 5.0 prior to admission.
- At this point, students must pass the TEAS test version 5.0 at 62% or higher. If you have already taken the TEAS test, scores must be submitted from ATI prior to admissions. *We will not accept the TEAS test version 4.0.*
- All students who pass the TEAS will be placed in a second random lottery to determine the incoming class.

After Acceptance into the program:

- You will need to attend a mandatory orientation session for first semester and LVN students. During orientation, students will be informed of program requirements such as personal background checks and all health requirements as well as LAHC student support services. It is strongly recommended that students attend Family Night, to learn how to succeed in the nursing program.
- A student must be in adequate health to perform the duties of a nurse. Students are required to have a physical examination.

Tips for Success in the Nursing Program

- ✓ **Highly** recommend to complete all core-requisites for Associate degree graduation (plan B) *but, you may apply with co-requisite courses in progress* :

Speech 121 or 101

Sociology 1 or Anthropology 102

B1. American Institutions - Minimum of 3 semester units

History 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 41, 42, 43, 44, 52, 81, 82 Political Science 1, 30

C. Humanities - Minimum of 3 semester units

Architecture 132, 133, Art 101, 102, 103, 201, Cinema 105, English 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 218, 219, 234, 239, 240, 241, 251, French 1, 2, 3 History 81, 82, 86, 87, Humanities 1, 6, 17, 31, 60, Japanese 21, 22, Music 101, 111, 141, Philosophy 1, 20, 33, Photography 121, Physical Education 800 (Dance), Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 12, 21, 22, 35,36, Theater 100, 200

E2. Physical Education course (Minimum one semester unit in PE 97-690)

See LAHC Catalog for specific Associate degree graduation requirements

- ✓ Highly recommended nursing courses to take **prior** to nursing program:

Nursing 301 A, B, C	Nursing 302 (Math of Drugs and Solutions)
Nursing 364 (Pharmacology)	Biology 33 (Medical Terminology)

- ✓ Utilize www.learningexpresslibrary.com for review of English, Math, Sciences, nursing tests, etc.
- ✓ Make sure members of your support system (family, significant other, friends, etc.) understand your need to be totally committed to the program from your first day as a nursing student until your graduation.
- ✓ A book on critical thinking will help you apply your prerequisite course knowledge to the concepts in the Nursing curriculum.
- ✓ If you work over 20 hours per week your chances of success are greatly reduced. Approximately 24-36 hours per week of studying outside of class and clinic hours is to be expected in order to be successful.
- ✓ If you need to raise your GPA in the sciences, you are limited to one repeated science course only.
- ✓ Each semester in the program there is a drugs/ solutions math test required, with three chances to pass at 95% or higher within a short time frame. If you fail three times, you must withdraw from that semester. Taking Nursing 302 and 364 will help you pass the test each semester.
- ✓ If you have any social security number problems, get them taken care of before graduation and board exam.
- ✓ The BRN will not allow any student without a social security number to take Boards.
- ✓ Before preparing for Nursing, contact the Board of Registered Nursing to see if any past legal problems will prevent licensure.
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Please visit our website for more information <http://www.lahc.edu/classes/nursing/index.html>. Additional Information can be found on our twitter account, **LAHC Nursing LACCD Pre_Nursing** *or* you can contact Nursing Success Counselor, **Sara Rubio at (310) 233-4364**