

A diverse group of healthcare professionals, including nurses and doctors, smiling in front of a hospital building. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent dark grey filter. On the left side, there is a solid orange arrow pointing to the right.

# Nursing: The Transfer Option

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# Workshop Overview

- Programs and Pathways to RN Licensure
- Prerequisites to Apply!
- Requirements for Admission
- Job Market and “Hire-ability”
- Helpful Resources
- Other Careers in Health Care

# Programs and Pathways to Registered Nursing Licensure

- ▶ ADN-Associate Degree in Nursing
- ▶ BSN-Bachelor of Science in Nursing
  - ▶ Pre-Licensure Route (No RN Completed!)
  - ▶ Post-Licensure Route (RN/ADN to BSN)
- ▶ MSN-Master's of Science in Nursing
  - ▶ Post Licensure Route-BSN to MSN
  - ▶ Pre-Licensure Route-Entry Level Master's Program (ELM)-Any BA/BS to MSN
- ▶ Resource:
  - ▶ <http://www.rn.ca.gov> (CA BRN)
  - ▶ [Nursing Degree Comparison](#) (NursingCAS)

# Required Pre-requisites

- Varies by program (ADN, BSN or MSN) and varies by college or university
  - Criteria for Nursing Programs ([Nursing: Transfer Option](#))
  - SMC's ADN Program [www.smc.edu/nursing](http://www.smc.edu/nursing)
  - Articulation
    - [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) (CCC/CSU/UC)
    - [Health Sciences Advisement Guide](#)
    - Nursing Program Websites
- Recency – most pre-requisites need to be current (*within 5 years*) – as well as some GE courses at CSU's.
- Repeating pre-requisites – Is it okay?
  - [ADN Multi-Criteria](#) and GPA changes

- ▶ Varies by Nursing Program – Do research!
  - ▶ Criteria for Nursing Programs
- ▶ Criminal Background Check and Drug Test
  - ▶ Upon Admission
- ▶ GPA (Pre-requisites, cumulative, transferable)
- ▶ Pre-requisites (repetition and completion)
- ▶ Supplemental Applications
  - ▶ Allied Health Experience
  - ▶ AA/AS degree completion
- ▶ Nursing Entrance Exam Score(s)

## Requirements for Admission



## Job Market and Hireability

- RN jobs will have posted degree and/or experience requirements
  - ADN/RN (Associate Degree in Nursing)
  - BSN/RN (Bachelor's of Science in Nursing)
  - MSN/RN (Master's of Science in Nursing)
  - Volunteering
    - UCLA Care Extender Program  
<https://www.uclahealth.org/careextender/care-extender-program>
    - UCLA Volunteer Center  
<https://volunteer.ucla.edu/>
    - [Cedars Sinai TCAB](#) (Transformational Care at Bedside) Program
    - [COPE Health Scholars](#)
    - [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org) (search by area "Health and Medical")
  - New Grad Programs
  - Reciprocity
    - [Nurse Licensure Compact \(NLC\) | NCSBN](#)
  - Make connections early!!

# Online Resources

- ▶ California Board of Registered Nursing
  - ▶ <http://www.rn.ca.gov>
- ▶ California Board of Registered Nursing-Nursing Programs
  - ▶ <http://www.rn.ca.gov/education/rnprograms.shtml>
- ▶ Cal State University Nursing Programs
  - ▶ [http://www.calstate.edu/app/programs/nursing/nursing\\_programs.shtml](http://www.calstate.edu/app/programs/nursing/nursing_programs.shtml)
- ▶ National Student Nurses' Association
  - ▶ <http://www.nsna.org>
- ▶ CA. Board of Registered Nursing-NCLEX Pass Rates
  - ▶ <http://www.rn.ca.gov/education/passrates.shtml>
- ▶ Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Programs
  - ▶ [Certified Nurse Assistant \(ca.gov\)](http://www.rn.ca.gov/education/cna/cna.shtml)

# Other Careers in Health Care

- ▶ Explore Health Careers
  - ▶ [www.explorehealthcareers.org/en/home](http://www.explorehealthcareers.org/en/home)
- ▶ [Allied Health Programs](#), California Community Colleges in the Los Angeles Region
- ▶ SMC Career Services Center
  - ▶ [Career and Major Search](#)