

This is a quick summary guide on prerequisite classes for the 2-year Registered Nursing Program at De Anza College. For detailed information about more eligibility requirements for all programs and the class requirements for the LVN to RN Transition and Advanced Placement programs, read the **Program Information** document available on the Nursing Program Information page of the nursing web site at <http://www.deanza.edu/nursing/programs.html>

All students should begin by do the following:

1. **Attend an information meeting.** Check the De Anza Nursing Web Site Information Meetings page (<http://www.deanza.edu/nursing/infodates.html>) for times and locations. No registration required.
2. **Take placement exams if needed:** English/ESL, Math, or the Biology 40A readiness test. Contact the Assessment Department for more information (408-864-8717, <http://www.deanza.edu/admissions/placement/>).
3. **Begin taking prerequisite courses.** If you need assistance with academic planning, or to discuss previous course work you have taken, see a counselor or advisor in the Counseling Center (upstairs in the Student and Community Services building, 408-864-5400, <http://www.deanza.edu/counseling/>). The Counseling Center offers advising online, by appointment or on a walk-in basis. You will need to have applied and have a Student ID. You may also contact the Nursing Department with questions not answered elsewhere.

Prerequisites (all must have grade of C or better):

Nursing 50: This is a Pass/No Pass course only and must be taken at De Anza. Not required for the LVN to RN or Advanced Placement Programs.

Mathematics: Either complete Intermediate Algebra (Math 114) or higher-level Math course or pass De Anza's College-Level Math Placement Test showing math skills sufficient to be placed into a course requiring Intermediate Algebra as a prerequisite.

Anatomy and Physiology (Biology 40A, B, and C)*

Microbiology (Biology 26)*

Nutrition (Biology 45)*

English (EWRT 1A or ESL 5)

Speech 1 or 10

General Psychology (Psychology 1)

Developmental Psychology (Psychology 14)

* Core biology courses must have been completed within 7 years of the deadline date of the application period.

General Education Courses[#] (not part of nursing prerequisites, needed for A.S. Deg.):

Sociology 1 OR Anthropology 2 ^

Creative Arts (GE Area C1 – 1 class)

Humanities (GE Area C2 - 1 class)

ICS (GE Areas C1, C2 or D – 1 class**)

PE (1 unit – GE Area E – PE or PEA Activities)

See the De Anza College Catalog or Schedule of Classes (both available online) for descriptions of areas of GE requirements and classes that qualify in each area for an A.S. Degree

^ Must be completed prior to the beginning of the 2nd quarter of the RN Program. Class not required to apply to RN program, but is a prerequisite for the LVN to RN and Advanced Placement programs.

** If an ICS class is selected from GE area C1 or GE area C2, it can also meet the Humanities or Creative Arts GE requirement at the same time.

4. **Attend an Application Workshop.** When you are close to submitting an application, you should attend a workshop given by the Nursing Program Screening and Selection Coordinator (see #1 above for schedule). Applications brought by participants will be looked over for common application problems. These workshops are held monthly September to June.
5. **Submit official transcripts** as early as possible to De Anza's Admissions and Records, or indirectly via counseling, as explained in the **Program Information** document.
6. **Apply to the program** after meeting the eligibility requirements found in the **Program Information** document. Application Period dates/deadlines are found on the Nursing Program Information web page.