

ENROLLMENT PROCESS

After the prerequisites have been verified and there are still too many qualified applicants for the spaces available, the following steps will be followed for admission into the VVC Nursing Program.

1. Completion of all non-nursing courses applicable to the Associate Degree in Science, Nursing Major (with the exception of Non-graduate and 30-Unit Option Applicants).
2. Completion of 24 or more units at VVCC and/or Barstow Community College. These units must be from the prerequisite sciences and/or the general education courses as listed (excluding the Biology and Chemistry prerequisites to Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology).
3. Two or less withdrawals or incompletes (W or I) of the completed prerequisite courses (Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology).
4. Random draw for starting date.
5. Successful passing of composite score ($\geq 67\%$) on the Testing of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam. (Basic Math, English, Reading, and Science)

If you do not meet ALL of the above criteria, you will not be placed on the wait list.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEAS EXAM

The TEAS examinations are being given to assist in improving students' success. The use of standardized medical program entry testing is becoming increasingly prevalent in assessing applicants' level of knowledge in relevant content areas. California Senate Bill 1309 (2006) provides the basis for Nursing Assessment/Readiness testing for programs in the state.

<http://www.cccco.edu/divisions/esed/cte/grants/nursing/augment07.htm>

Applicants who do not pass the TEAS will be required to remediate and demonstrate readiness before entering the program. The remediation course (Nursing Program Preparation) or assignments may take one year or longer. Readiness is demonstrated by successfully obtaining a 67% or better composite score on re-testing. Additional TEAS testing information may be obtained at the Assessment Technology Inc. website at:

<http://www.atitesting.com/global/students/entering-nursing-school.aspx>.

*** * *COUNSELING AVAILABLE* * ***

Please note that VVC's Nursing Program is very popular and typically has a waiting list for qualified applicants. For further clarification of the enrollment process, or to discuss your other options in the health care field, we recommend that all potential Nursing majors meet with Diane Wollan, the college's Nursing Program counselor. Please call (760) 245-4271, Ext. 2296 or 2531, or stop by the Counseling Department in the Counseling and Administration Building (#55) to make an appointment.

Be advised, based on California legislation (AB 1559), requirements for entry are subject to change. This may include additional criteria such as merit based (GPA) being added to the Enrollment Process. An updated Enrollment Process will be published if it is implemented at VVCC.

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