



## Registered Nursing Program

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### The Nursing Program

The Associate in Arts Degree in Nursing at Chabot College has an excellent reputation for passing the *National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nursing (NCLEX)* and their clinical nursing skills. Over the last 5 years we have enjoyed a 95-100% first time pass rate on NCLEX-RN, one of the highest in the bay area. If you are a good student, serious about nursing, and willing to work hard, you will find Chabot College offers an excellent opportunity for you to obtain a low cost education of a very high quality. Graduates can transfer to the baccalaureate programs throughout the state if they plan to continue their formal education.

Sixty nursing students are

admitted each August to the two year program leading to an Associate in Arts Degree in Nursing.

#### What is the job?

Registered Nurses (RN's) are considered the backbone of health care, caring for patients in almost all health care settings. They are often responsible for the total care of patients, in preventing and detecting illness, managing care for acute illnesses, assisting patients and families in recovery and rehabilitation, and assisting patients and families manage chronic illness and death. RN's work in all areas of the hospital including medical/surgical units, critical care, emergency, peri-operative, psychiatric/mental health, obstetrics and pediatrics.

More than 60% of RN's work for hospitals. Others work in physicians' offices, nursing homes, home health agencies, clinics, schools, government agencies, universities and the military. RN's have close contact with patients and their families and can make an enormous impact on their lives.<sup>1</sup>

#### Working Conditions and Earnings

In private industry, most nursing salaries are above the average for non-supervisory personnel. Median salaries of nurses in acute care hospitals in California for a new graduate average \$70K—\$111 annually. For more information on salaries: <https://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov>

1 Source: South Coast RHORC. See North Regional Health Occupations Resource Center for additional job information (530) 879.9049



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### CSUEB Seamless Transfer

#### Collaborative Model

Working together, CSUEB and four community colleges; Chabot, Contra Costa, Ohlone, and Los Medaños are offering a seamless transition from the ADN to BSN degree.

The nursing major requires both lower and upper division coursework. CSUEB is working closely with Chabot College to meet all lower division

requirements for a seamless transition to the BSN program. Student must meet all CSUEB admission requirements.

#### Unique Features

CSUEB offers a 12 month online BSN curriculum and an upper division course in Community Health which includes placement at home care and public health departments. During the last semester of

our ADN program an upper division leadership theory course is also taught online .

After graduation from ADN program eighteen upper division college credit units are awarded for passing the NCLEX-RN exam.

This program includes upper division units for new grad program; teaching in skills/simulation lab and preceptorship to meet core competencies.

### Information Meetings

- Check website for dates in March, May, October, November
- 12 Noon to 1:00 PM
- Room 2252—Chabot Campus
- No appointment necessary

For additional information call 510.723.7677 or go to our website: [www.chabotcollege.edu/nurs](http://www.chabotcollege.edu/nurs)



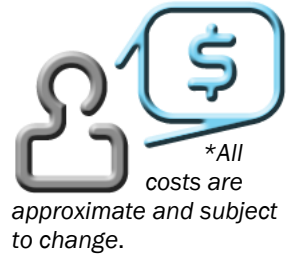
Skills Lab available daily for students

## What does the Program cost?

The total cost of the two year program for in-state residents is approximately \$7,000\*. This includes class fees, books, uniforms, shoes and in-program testing fees. Financial Aid is available.

Personal physician or

nurse practitioner physical and dental examinations with current immunizations and TB testing are required prior to entering the program. Transportation to and from hospitals or other agencies is the responsibility of the student.



### Financial Aid

- ✓ To apply for all federal and state aid, including the California BOG Fee Waiver complete your FAFSA online application <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>
- ✓ Check CLASS Web Financial Aid for documents needed by our office to determine actual eligibility. The 2012-13 application will consider you for financial aid for Fall 2011 through Summer 2012
- ✓ The Board of Governor's (BOG) Fee Waiver program will waive the enrollment fees for eligible students admitted to Chabot, as well as the Health Center fee. Parking permits are reduced to \$20/ semester for BOG eligible students.
- ✓ If your income has changed significantly, review your situation with the FAO staff, as we may be able to adjust your eligibility to reflect current year circumstances.

## What is my first step?

### General Education

Your first goal should be to complete any preparatory course work and general education classes which will help you meet the program's requirements. This could include intermediate algebra, chemistry and/or geology.

Earn strong grades, especially in science, behavioral science and communication courses. A grade of 'C' cannot be repeated. The Natural Science courses overall GPA required for program admission is a 2.5 or higher.

*Why should I complete my GE first?*

The nursing theory and concurrent clinical experiences are full time. Theory courses are taught on Monday and Thursday. Clinical experiences in hospital/agency settings from 7 AM to 3 PM Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and some Fridays or Saturdays. In addition, some clinical experiences may require an evening assignment.

Students are encouraged to complete their general education requirements

prior to entering the program in Fall 2012. Applicants for Fall 2013 will be required to complete all general education for their nursing degree to apply to the program.

### Basic Requirements

English 1A or equivalent

Complete English 1A (or equivalent) You may also need preparatory work in collegiate reading and/or writing. Nursing texts are written at the 12th grade level. The grade for English 1A is used to determine eligibility for the applicant pool.

### Natural Sciences

You must complete all pre-requisite Natural Science courses prior to applying to the Nursing Program. It is recommended they be as recent as possible. Complete the following science courses. All courses must include a lab and consist of 4-5 semester units. You must receive a "C" or higher\* in all of these courses, with overall GPA of 2.5.

1. Human Anatomy 1
2. Human Physiology 1
3. Microbiology 1

### Nursing AA Degree

Fall 2012 \*

#### Admission Requirements

- English 1A
- Human Anatomy
- Human Physiology
- Microbiology

#### California

#### Board of Registered Nursing AA Requirements

- English 4, 7 or 52B or 70
- Psychology 1
- Communications 1 or 30
- Sociology 1

#### College AA Requirements

- Completion of Nursing 2 year Curriculum
- Math Proficiency
- American Institutions
- Physical Education

#### Recommended Courses

- Psychology 12
- Medical Terminology

\*If student withdraws from any pre-requisite course it will be counted against their overall qualifying criterion score.

\*Courses taken at Las Positas, even with the same course name and number may not satisfy Chabot requirements. See a counselor for guidance.

## Criterion Score - 100 Points Maximum

Section 1: **10 Maximum Points** Earned: Degrees, medical license in other areas, working in a medical field and volunteer work in a medical field

Section 2: **45 Maximum Points** Earned: Pre-requisite Science GPA, English 1A GPA

Section 3: **5 Maximum Points Earned:** Life experiences

Section 4: **5 Maximum Points** Military Service

Section 5: **5 Maximum Points** Second Language other than English Proficiency

Section 6: **30 Maximum Points** TEAS® Adjusted Individual Score

Complete Criterion Worksheet available on nursing program website.

[www.chabotcollege.edu/nurs](http://www.chabotcollege.edu/nurs) Documentation required for each section to award points.

## Application Process

### Step 1—Apply to Chabot College

A Chabot College Application for Admission\* must be submitted to the college. This application can be submitted electronically by going to <http://www.cccapply.com> and is available year round.

### Step 2—Application Opens November 1, 2011

Nursing Program Applications\* will be accepted between November 1, 2011 and January 31, 2012. Complete the online application: [www.chabotcollege.edu/nurs](http://www.chabotcollege.edu/nurs). Click RN Program for instructions.

### Step 3— Complete the Criterion Worksheet

Print and complete the Criterion Worksheet. Attached all required document(s). Points will not be awarded without documentation. *Unofficial TEAS Version V test will be accepted. Selected applicants will be required to send an official test results through ATI directly to the program office.*

### Step 4 -Complete Application

Complete the application on-line. Print, sign and MAIL the Nursing Program Application Confirmation page and Criterion Worksheet to Chabot College, 25555 Hesperian Blvd. Mail Box 5, Hayward, CA 94545. The application must be postmarked on or before **January 31, 2012**. It is recommended you obtain a "Certificate of Mailing" and "Return Receipt" from the U.S. Postal Service at the time of the mailing.

- ✓ If you are taking one or more prerequisite in the Fall do not apply to the program until the course has been completed in January. Order transcripts AFTER your grades have been posted.

### Step 5—Official Transcripts deadline January 31, 2012

The student must request **official transcripts** from all previously attended schools and colleges. These must be MAILED with the application confirmation or sent directly to the above address. Hand carried transcripts will not be accepted. All these records must be postmarked on or before **January 31, 2012**.

### Step 5— Verify Receipt of Transcripts

Go to [www.chabotcollege.edu](http://www.chabotcollege.edu), click **Class Web** online to verify receipt of transcripts. Due to the volume of applicants we are not able to notify students individually if any information is missing.

### Step 6—Update Fall 2011 Transcripts, deadline January 31, 2012

If you have taken any classes in colleges other than Chabot or Las Positas during the Fall 2011 semester those **official transcripts** must be updated. Request and mail the updated transcript on or before **January 31, 2012**.

**\*Note:** Failure to follow all of the above steps will result in your application being removed from consideration or eligibility. Any falsification of data on the application (s) will result in immediate disqualification.

## Background Check

Chabot College is required to secure background checks on all students entering clinical studies. We will review the following for each and every student.

1. U.S. County Criminal Records (All Counties of Residence – Past 7 Years) Felony/misdemeanor Criminal Conviction Search
2. Residency History Search
3. Social Security Alert
4. Nationwide Healthcare Fraud & Abuse ( includes OIG and GSA)
5. Nationwide Sex Offender Registry
6. A pre-placement drug screen

Investigative reports may include information concerning your character, general reputation and personal characteristics, mode of living and may include information obtained through interviews.

These consumer reports may also include investigative consumer reports obtained from:

Certified Background  
866.666.7788  
[www.certifiedbackground.com](http://www.certifiedbackground.com)

If you have been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony it is possible you will be denied placement in one or more hospitals that are used for clinical experience or the **Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)** may not grant you a license. If selected student will be required to meet with the program director to discuss placement in our clinical hospitals. Denial for clinical placement may effect your progression in the program and make you ineligible to participate. Positive drug screen of any non-prescriptive drug will result in program dismissal.



# TEAS® Version V

Test of Essential Academic Skills version V has been approved by the California Chancellor's office. All applicants must take and pass the TEAS® version V for Fall 2012. **Passing score is 62% Adjusted Individual Score.** This test will be offered at Chabot College and other locations throughout the Bay Area.

The TEAS® was developed to measure basic essential skills in the academic content area domains of Reading, Mathematics, Science, and English and Language Usage. Based on a review of current literature and State of Education secondary criteria, and that included objectives that more than 400 nurse educators nationwide rated as important for applicants to have a mastered.

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Study manuals and practice tests can be purchased through ATI Testing. Please go to [www.ATITesting.com](http://www.ATITesting.com) for testing information and materials.

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 510.723.6700  
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## Applicant Pool and Admission

### January 31, 2012, DEADLINE

After the January 31, 2012 Deadline, students who meet the minimum requirements of having completed the science prerequisites AND whose transcripts from all schools attended are on file will have their transcripts evaluated for the following:

### Criterion Score Calculated

A *Criterion* score will be established for each applicant for purposes of selection. Candidates will be divided into two pools by address and ranked by final score, highest to lowest for admission. Tied scores will require a random selection of candidates with same score for ranking purposes only.

Notification will be mailed after May 1, 2012.

### Acceptance Requirement

If selected and upon your acceptance to the program, the following is required:

1. Physical and dental examinations, as well as immunization records, must be completed on forms sent to the enrollee.
2. Evidence of 2 year American Heart Association Health Care Provider CPR card. (We do NOT accept on-line courses or any other type of course certification.)
3. ATI Testing Fee (Approximately \$450) for the four semester assessment examination.
4. Background and drug screen fees paid. Social Security number required. (Approximate cost \$90)

If any of the above items listed have not been completed by 8/1/2012 the candidate selection will be revoked.

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**Pool# 1 Chabot College**

Includes eligible residents West of Castro Valley and other cities outside of district.

**40 Applicants Selected**

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**Pool#2 Extended Campus Valley Memorial Hospital**

Includes eligible residents East of Castro Valley and other cities outside of the district.

**20 Applicants Selected**

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**Pool#3 Out of District**

International students and H4 status visa students.

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### Alternate Pool Notification after May 1, 2012

Non-selected, but eligible applicants will be entered into the "alternate" pool and on a rank-order basis and given an alternate number.

### Required Orientation in June, July, August:

Selected students will be notified of summer orientation dates and times. Attendance to orientations is mandatory.

