# Policy Guidelines for Military Personnel into Advanced Nursing Program Chabot College

Please note that the Registered Nursing Program is severely impacted and returning Chabot College nursing students have first priority for placement. It is wise to apply to several programs.

## Who is Eligible?

Individuals who have held health care occupations while serving on active military duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and discharged under honorable conditions may be admitted to the Registered Nursing Program on a space-available basis following completion of all required courses and other requirements

Basic Medical/Healthcare Technicians (Navy Hospitalman, Air Force BMTCP, and Army Medic) are not eligible for advance standing, but must start at the beginning of our program. As a veteran, five (5) points will be credited to the merit based criteria as part of the admission process to the generic nursing program.

Applicants who may be eligible for advanced placement are those individuals who have satisfactorily completed, within the last two years' education and experience in the following:

- a. Army Health Care Specialist (Army Medic with advanced specialty training)
- b. Air Force Independent Duty Medical Technician
- c. USAF Basic Medical Service Technician or Army Medical Specialist with an active California LVN license (Licensed Vocational Nurse) either through challenge (BVNPT Method 4) or successful completion of an LVN program
- d. Navy Independent Duty Corpsman

Applicants seeking advanced placement and applying for transfer credit must submit the following materials verifying education and experience:

- a. Transcripts/documentation from appropriate education program(s) and/or military training demonstrating satisfactory completion of coursework and clinical experience;
- b. Documentation of experience and assignments.

## **Requirements for Advanced Placement**

Honorable discharge from any of the United States Armed Services.

 At least 1-year experience working as a medical service technician in the US Armed Forces within the last two years.

# **ADN** prerequisites

- Must be completed prior to admission into the nursing program which include ENGL 1A, SOCI 1, PSY 1 and COMM 1 and 10, Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology (with lab and be 4-5 semester units).
   Students can earn only one "C" in one of the three science courses and a minimum 2.5 GPA is required in these sciences.
- Additional General Education and Graduation requirements will be required to receive an AS in Nursing.
- See the College Catalog for specific information.

#### **ATI TEAS Test**

- Passed ATI TEAS test at adjusted individual score of 62% or higher.
- An unofficial copy of the TEAS score must be included with the application.
- If admitted, official test results from ATI Testing must be submitted, unless the test is taken at Chabot College.
- Students who do not acquire an Adjusted Individual score of 62% or higher on the TEAS test will be required to complete remediation prior to testing again.
- Only the first valid score on the ATI TEAS test will be accepted.
- In the event of a non-passing score on the second attempt after remediation, the student will not be eligible for admission.

# LVN to RN Transition Course (Nursing 70 and Nursing 70L) 1.5 units

This course will include the following:

- a. Math for Medication Exam (maximum of 3 attempts)
- b. Kaplan Specialty Exams (pediatrics, obstetrics, fundamentals, pharmacology) scoring at the benchmark level established by the program.
- c. Failure of one or more of the Kaplan Specialty Exams will result in the student needing to take the corresponding theory course (s) (NURS 81/82/53).

If any student withdraws or does not receive a "C" or better in all the transition courses: N70/N70L, N81, N82, N84, she/he will be dismissed from the program and is not eligible to reapply.

# Nursing 84 (Prescriptive Clinical Nursing Skills Practice) -0.5 units

After completion of Nursing 70 and 70L, the student should enroll in Nursing 84 which allows the student the opportunity to practice clinical skills and to prepare for the clinical skills exam.

# Courses to be completed by Applicant after Admission to Chabot College Registered Nursing Program

Course		
Number	Course Title	Units
NURS-81	Maternity Nursing Theory (if needed)	2
NURS-82	Pediatric Nursing Theory (if needed)	2
NURS-53	Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS-60A	Adult Health I (optional)	4
NURS-60B	Adult Health II	6
NURS-60C	Adult Health III	3.5

# **Requirements for Enrollment in the Registered Nursing Program**

Once a student has been accepted to the Registered Nursing Program, the student must meet the following requirements before enrolling in classes:

- 1. Provide proof of a current American Health Association Basic Life Support (BLS) certificate for health care providers. The certification must be valid while in the program.
- 2. Complete a physical examination provided by your healthcare provider. Documentation of physical health, adequate to demands of practice of nursing must be provided.
- 3. Proof of immunizations: 2-step PPD (must be negative) or if PPD is positive, a negative Chest X-ray; proof of immunity from Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella and Hepatitis B (positive titers); non-reactive Hepatitis C; proof of Tetanus, Diphtheria and attenuated Pertussis (Tdap) injection in the last 10 years and seasonal flu shot. If there is no proof of immunity (negative MMR, Varicella and Hepatitis B titers), then proof of vaccinations will be required. All immunizations and titers must be current and up-to- date prior to the first day of class.
- 4. Sign the Nursing Student Handbook consent.
- 5. Undergo a urine drug screen. Failure to pass urine drug screen may result in offer of enrollment being rescinded.
- 6. Complete a background check which includes any evidence of convictions. This will not necessarily disqualify an applicant from

- enrollment. However, failure to fully disclose may be considered falsification, and will result in offer of enrollment being rescinded and is grounds for immediate termination upon discovery. Students accepted into the nursing program are required to disclose "any crime" (misdemeanor or felony including motor vehicle or driving violations with fines exceeding
- \$1000) incurred prior to the program start date or any such crimes that occur throughout enrollment in the program. The student must discuss any potential issue with the Director of the Nursing Program.
- 7. Students should be aware of the provisions of the California Nurse Practice Act which requires the Board of Registered Nursing to review the history of previous misdemeanor or felony convictions. The law provides for denial of licensure for crimes or acts, which are substantially related to nursing qualifications, functions, or duties. Read Policy Statement on Denial of Licensure here:

  <a href="http://www.rn.ca.gov/pdfs/enforcement/discguide.pdf">http://www.rn.ca.gov/pdfs/enforcement/discguide.pdf</a>

After completion of Nursing 70 & 70L, the student must be prepared to enter the nursing program during the following fall semester.