A collaborative partnership exists between nursing departments at Imperial Valley College (IVC) and San Diego State University (SDSU) that provides students an opportunity to earn a bachelor’s of science degree. The program is designed to provide the education necessary for licensure eligibility and practice as a Registered Nurse (RN). In addition, the program provides opportunities for continuing education beyond licensure to cover concepts in professionalism, assessment, evidence based practice, leadership, community health, and the ability to expand their nursing practice.

Interested students must first meet all requirements for IVC and complete the Associate Degree RN (ADRN) Program. To qualify for admission to SDSU, students must also complete a certified GE package (CSU GE or IGETC) or any applicable lower division GE pattern listed in the SDSU General Catalog. Upon licensure, students can then progress into the SDSU RN-Bachelor of Science Degree (BS) Program. To ensure all admission requirements are met, early advising is important. The following ROADMAP outlines what courses are needed for both programs and is subject to change. Completion of an Associate Degree in Nursing program does not guarantee admission to SDSU. Courses are subject to change. Please continue to visit both the IVC and SDSU websites for updated information.

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IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE
Associate of Science Degree-RN Program

Admission Requirements: Acceptance into the program requires successful completion of all prerequisites and successful completion of the application and selection processes.
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| 1. Must be completed prior to applying for the nursing program. | ENGL 101: Composition & Rhetoric (3 units)  
BIOL 220: General Microbiology (5 units)  
BIOL 200: Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4 units) and  
BIOL 202: Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4 units) or  
BIOL 204: Human Anatomy (4 units) and  
BIOL 206: Human Physiology (4 units)  
SOC 101: Introductory Sociology (3 units)  
PSY 101: Introduction to Psychology (3 units)  
NURS 100: Medication Mathematics (1 unit) |
| 2. Must have: GPA 2.5 or better on all required prerequisites. | SPCH 100: Oral Communication (3 units)  
PE 100: Lifetime Exercise Science (2 units)  
PE Activity Course (1 unit)  
Humanities Elective (3 units)  
American Institutions Requirement (6 units) |

**Recommended for the Major, if you want to go on for a bachelor’s degree.**

**Additional IVC Admission Requirements**

**Math Competency:** Effective March 2012: A placement score of 7006 or higher on the ACCUPLACER College Level Mathematics Test or MATH 090 or 091 (Intermediate Algebra) OR an advanced level mathematics course with a grade of “C” or higher.  
**Statistics is preferred for the SDSU RN-BS Program.**

**Reading Competency:** Effective March 2012: A placement score of 6010 on the ACCUPLACER Reading Test or ENGL 089 or 019 (Reading III: Intermediate Development) OR ENGL 101 (Composition and Rhetoric) OR ENGL 111 (Reading IV: Analytical and Critical Reading) with a grade of “C” or higher. **ENGL 111 is preferred for the SDSU RN-BS Program.**

**TEAS Exam:** Must pass exam at the predetermined minimum cut score (or higher). The composite score from the first TEAS exam is used in the multi-screening criteria process for selection.

**Background:** Must pass a criminal background check as a requirement of the clinical agencies.

**Drug Screen:** Must pass a drug screen as defined by the Nursing Program as a requirement of the clinical agencies.

**American Heart BLS/CPR Certification:** Must be current.
IVC Registered Nursing Program Specific Courses:

1. All nursing courses must be taken in sequence and must be completed with a “C” or better with skills and clinical experience courses receiving the equivalent of “C” or “Satisfactory” or better to progress to the next level.
2. IVC graduates must submit a transcript demonstrating successful completion of all course work and graduation prior to taking the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

IVC Registered Nursing Program Specific Courses:

**Semester 1**
- NURS 110: Nursing Process I (4.5 units)
- NURS 111: Nursing Process Skills Laboratory I (1.5 units)
- NURS 112: Nursing Process Application I (4 units)
- NURS 113: Pharmacology I (1.5 units)

**Semester 2**
*If planning on entering the SDSU RN-BS Program, advising is recommended prior to 2nd semester to explore enrollment options and elective courses needed.
- NURS 121: Nursing Skills Laboratory II (1 unit)
- NURS 123: Pharmacology II (1.5 units)
- NURS 125: Nursing Process & Applications II (8.5 units)

**Semester 3**
- NURS 211: Nursing Skills Laboratory III (1 unit)
- NURS 231: Nursing Process & Application III (8.5 units)
- NURS 224: Psychiatric & Mental Health Nursing (2 units)
- NURS 225: Psychiatric & Mental Health Nursing Application (1 unit)

**Semester 4**
- NURS 221: Nursing Skills Laboratory IV (1 unit)
- NURS 230: Nursing Trends (1 unit)
- NURS 241: Nursing Process & Applications IV (8.5 units)

* Clinical experience may include a rotation outside of county.

Total Nursing Units:  45.5
Total GE/Support Courses: 38.0-41.0
Total Units for Degree: 83.5-86.5***

***70 units will be accepted towards the RN-BS Program at SDSU.

SDSU RN-BS Program Admission

Must have RN license or will be taking NCLEX and will have license prior to starting clinical courses

Admission is available each fall. SDSU Imperial Valley Campus also admits nursing students in the spring.

How do I apply?

**Step 1:** University Application- [http://www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu) *See website for deadlines.*

**Step 2:** Nursing Application- [http://www.nursing.sdsu.edu/nursing](http://www.nursing.sdsu.edu/nursing) or [http://www.ivcampus.sdsu.edu/nursing](http://www.ivcampus.sdsu.edu/nursing)

**Step 3:** Submit official copies of transcripts & supplemental applications to both the University & School of Nursing as outlined on the website & application.

- Admission is contingent upon meeting minimum requirements for admission to both the University & School of Nursing.
### University: Golden Four
- Oral Communication
- Written Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Statistics

### School of Nursing (GPA of 3.0)
- Anatomy (B- or better)
- Physiology (B- or better)
- Microbiology (B- or better)
- Chemistry (General, Integrated, Inorganic or Organic) (C or better) *with or without a lab, as the course is taught at the institution where the chemistry course was taken
- Students must complete and pass all clinical compliance requirements.

#### Cross Enrollment Option
(Prior to admission)  
*Does not guarantee admission
While enrolled in 6 units of Imperial Valley College courses, you are eligible for 1 SDSU RN-BS course or GE course at a cross enrollment price.

**Eligible Courses:** NURS 307 & NURS 312  
**GE/Explorations Courses (Fall, Spring or Summer)**  
*Requires approval by IVC & SDSU*

#### Open University Option
(Prior to admission)  
*Does not guarantee admission
Courses may be taken through open enrollment with the approval of the RN-BS advisor.

**Eligible Courses:** NURS 307 & NURS 312  
**GE/Explorations Courses**  
*Space in the course must be available & approved by SDSU*

### SDSU RN-BS Program Courses
- NURS 501/501L: Health Assessment (4 units)  
- NURS 307: Nursing Research & Evidence-Based Practice (3 units)  
- NURS 312: Nursing Professionalism (3 units)  
- *NURS 400/400L: Nursing Care of the Complex, High Acuity or Critically Ill Patients (6 units)  
  with  
  NURS 358: Basic Electrocardiography (1 unit)*  
  OR  
  *NURS 499: Special Study (6 units) *Must be approved by RN-BS advisor.  
  NURS 415/415L: Community Health (5 units)  
  NURS 458/458L: Leadership (5 units)  
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A minimum of 120 units are required for graduation. 30 units are required to meet the SDSU residency requirement.
SDSU RN-BS Program COURSE SCHEDULE OPTIONS

- Advising is available for each prospective and current student to develop an individualized plan of study. Please schedule an appointment to discuss program options.
- Most students work full-time and finish the program in 5 semesters.

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