COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO
PREREQUISITE GUIDE FOR NURSING

Admission to Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing is competitive. The goal of the admission selection process is to form a community of learners with the potential to succeed in a rigorous academic program and develop essential skills required for nursing practice. Meeting the minimum requirements below do not guarantee admission. They are the minimum to be considered for admission.

Prerequisite course completion requirements:

- A minimum of 11 semester credits (16 quarter credits) in the lab sciences (biology/chemistry, anatomy & physiology, microbiology) and all other prerequisite courses must be complete (not in progress) at the time of application for admission consideration.
- Anatomy & physiology, microbiology, and nutrition must be completed within 7 years of the application due date.

Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements:

- Minimum 3.000 GPA in all prerequisite courses.
- Minimum 3.000 GPA in prerequisite science courses (biology or chemistry, anatomy & physiology, microbiology).
- Minimum 2.700 GPA in prerequisite anatomy & physiology courses. Only one repeated grade for any anatomy or physiology course will be used in the calculation of the minimum GPA requirements. In the case where a student has more than one repeat on a single course, only the grade from the first repeated course will be used. A "W" or withdrawal from either an anatomy or physiology course will be counted as an attempt under this rule.
- All GPA requirements are calculated on prerequisite courses complete at the time of application and must be maintained through the completion of all prerequisite coursework.
- A letter grade of “C” or higher is required. Any coursework graded C- or below, P/NP, or S/U, does not meet prerequisite requirements and will not transfer to Linfield.

Total credits:

Students must have 62 semester credits (93 quarter credits) of transferable coursework complete prior to beginning the program. Courses may be completed at any regionally accredited
community college or university. Official evaluation of all transfer credit will be made after admission and confirmation into the program. Please be aware that, generally, professional/technical courses will not transfer. Repeated courses (that is, courses with the same content) will only transfer once. Students who have questions about the transferability of any coursework should contact admission-portland@linfield.edu.

Linfield Curriculum (General Education):

Students seeking their first bachelor’s degree must also complete Linfield Curriculum (general education) requirements prior to graduation. These may be completed during the nursing program, but it is recommended that the majority of these courses be completed prior to enrollment. The prerequisite courses below will satisfy many of the general education requirements, but five areas—Creative Studies (CS), Ultimate Questions (UQ), Vital Past (VP), U.S. Pluralisms (US) and Global Pluralisms (GP)—generally require an additional 3 semester-credit or 4 quarter-credit course.

College of San Mateo students intending to transfer to Linfield’s nursing program must complete the following coursework:

Writing. Complete one of the following pair:
- ENGL 100, 110
- ENGL 105, 110
- ENGL 105, 165

Biology (preferred) and/or chemistry with lab. Complete one of the following sequences:
- BIOL 110 and one of the following: CHEM 210, 220, 410, 420
- BIOL 230 and one of the following: CHEM 210, 220, 410, 420
- CHEM 210, 220
- CHEM 410, 420

Anatomy and physiology with lab. Complete both of the following:
- BIOL 250, 260

Microbiology with lab. Complete the following:
- BIOL 240

Nutrition. Complete one of the following:
- BIOL 310

Lifespan developmental psychology. Complete the following:
- PSYC 200

Statistics. Complete one of the following:
- MATH 200

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