



STEP-UP BRIDGE PROGRAM

Fast-Track your BSN with the CSULB School of Nursing! The Step-Up Bridge Program is an enhanced experience *while* completing your ADN Degree. This program allows current ADN students to complete non-clinical BSN courses prior to being admitted to the CSULB Online RN to BSN Program. This program is aimed at students who have completed their 2nd or 3rd semester of an ADN Program*.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Completion of 2nd semester and currently enrolled in an ADN Program*
- Minimum of 2.75 GPA in Nursing courses and 2.75 or higher for your overall GPA

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Students who meet admission criteria will be allowed to take courses that will count toward a RN to BSN Degree at CSULB.
- Enrollment will be through the College of Professional and Continuing Education Division of CSULB.
- All students start with NRS 309 Dimensions of Professional Nursing as the first class.
- Students admitted to this program are not guaranteed admission to the RN to BSN Online or On Campus Program and additional requirements may be necessary for the BSN degree.
- Courses completed through this program are automatically articulated to the RN to BSN Degree Program. Other, non-nursing courses are subject to review and approval by Enrollment Services.
- Funding and financial aid are the responsibility of the applicant (fees are \$600 per credit hour).

APPLICATION TO THE STEP-UP BRIDGE PROGRAM

- Candidates must apply via the Online Applications by **April 1st** to start classes that summer.

Students in the Step-Up Summer Bridge Program may take the following courses:

- NRS 309 Dimensions of Professional Nursing (required first course)
- NRS 306 Pathophysiology & Pharmacology for RNs (optional in your first semester)
- NRS 314 Health Assessment for RNs (optional in your first semester)

TRANSITION TO THE RN TO BSN PROGRAM

Students admitted to the Step-Up Bridge Program must apply to the RN to BSN Online or On Campus Program, but are not guaranteed admission. Applicants should consult www.assist.org to determine course articulations. When you are ready to apply for the RN to BSN Online or On Campus Program, you will need to:

- Submit separate applications for the RN to BSN Online or On Campus Program
- Identify courses you have taken during the Step-Up Bridge Program
- Meet CSULB requirements (120 total credits taken and articulated).

*Must be a nationally accredited nursing program and a regionally accredited college/university. If you do not know this information, you can contact your ADN Program office for this information.