### SECTION 1: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All courses must be satisfactorily completed at an accredited college/university prior to submitting the application.

1. **All Non-BIO Prerequisites** must be a cumulative 2.0 GPA or higher, with no course grade lower than C.
2. **All three Biology** courses must have a cumulative of 2.5 GPA or better, with no course grade lower than C.
3. The three Biology courses have a **5-year recency**.
4. Students may repeat a Biology course **ONE TIME** to improve the grade (within the 5-year recency). Two points will be deducted for each repeated Biology course.

**Required Prerequisites:**
- Microbiology with lab (BIO 240)
- Anatomy with lab (BIO 250)
- Physio with lab (BIO 260)

**May repeat each BIO prerequisite** ONE time for improved grade. 2 points deduction (maximum 6 points) from Merit score.

Statistics (Math 200)
- Health Chemistry (CHEM 410)
- English Composition (ENG 100)
- Introduction to Psychology (PSY 100)
- Developmental Psych (PSY 200)
- Communication Studies (COMM 110, or 130, or 140, or 150)
- Intro to Sociology (Soc 100) OR Cultural Anthro (Anthro 100)

Refer to Nursing Articulation for acceptable course equivalents if taken outside SMCCCD.

### SECTION 2: MANDATORY ONLINE VIDEO & QUIZ

Watch online information video. Then complete the online quiz and submit with a minimum score 16 or higher.

### SECTION 3: COURSES OUTSIDE THE SMCCCD

Check the Nursing Articulation to check if your courses are equivalent to Skyline, CSM and Canada courses. If your coursework does not appear on the grid, please fill-out the Prerequisite Evaluation Form. Do not forget to attach the course description(s) and official transcript(s). Submit all documents to Marsha Ramezane ramezane@smccd.edu.

Deadline is no later than **Jan 13, 2023**.

Foreign transcripts must be evaluated by a credited agency:

### SECTION 4: CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

CSM Nursing uses Merit-Based Criteria selection system
Submit ALL application documents to NursingCAS website

### SECTION 5: HESI TEST

HESI score will be accepted with the minimum of 70% composite score prior to apply. Test must be taken within last five years (after January 1, 2018).

Students will only be allowed to take the exam twice. **We will take the highest score.**

Exam is available from July 1 to Jan 31.

### SECTION 6: RECOMMENDED COURSE(S)

The program recommends the following CSM course prior to application: N610 (Basic Dosage Calculation - summer course), N615 (Pharmacology - summer course), N630 (Medical Terminology - summer course) and N666 (Career Exploration in Nursing). Similar courses offered at other institutions will be considered (for Merit points). Applicants are also recommended to complete their A5 degree General Education requirements prior to starting the Nursing Program. Please refer to CSM catalog to check the complete list of Associate Degree requirements.

### SECTION 7: OTHER INFO

- Approximate cost of the program (including books and required supplies) is $8,000 for the 1st yr. and $7,000 for the 2nd yr.
- Students are responsible for their own transportation to/from the hospital and clinical agencies.
- Nursing class and lab hours may vary. Your employment schedule will need to be flexible around your school schedule.
- Students are responsible in keeping their immunization records up to date. Most clinical agencies require: MMR, Varicella, Tdap, Hep B, 2-steps TB test, influenza vaccine & COVID.
- Criminal background checks and drug screenings are required by clinical agencies.
- Convictions are handled on case-by-case basis by clinical agencies and the Board of Registered Nursing. BRN will deny licensure to any applicant who is on probation.

### SECTION 8: ADN-BSN collaboration with SFSU

- Must be an incoming CSM ADN student
- Nursing prerequisite GPA of 3.0 or better
- Critical Thinking Course Required; 7-year recency on all science courses
- All nursing prerequisites completed with a minimum grade of C
- Must be CA resident or be eligible for in-state tuition

**Submit all necessary application documents through NursingCAS**

If you would like to speak to a counselor, please call CSM Counseling Department at (650) 574-6400 or email CSMWelcomeCenter@smccd.edu
CHECKLIST

PRE APPLICATION

Study for HESI (70% or higher).
GOOD LUCK!

2.0 GPA or better on non-biology courses:
- Chemistry for Health Science (CHEM 410)
- English Composition (ENG 100)
- Introduction to Psychology (PSY 100)
- Developmental Psychology (PSY 200)
- Comm. Studies (COMM 110, or 130, or 140, or 150)
- Intro to Sociology (SOC 100) or Cultural Anthro (ANTH 100)
- Statistics (Math 200)

2.5 GPA or better on Biology courses:
- Microbiology with lab (BIO 240)*
- Anatomy with lab (BIO 250)*
- Physiology with lab (BIO 260)*
*Must be taken within last 5 years!!

May repeat each course ONE time within 5 years for a better grade. 2 Merit Points will be deducted for each repeat and within 5-year recency time frame.

If prerequisite courses are taken outside the SMCCCD:
- Check Nursing Articulation for equivalent courses

If courses are not in the Articulation Grid / out-of-state/from foreign country:
- Fill out Prerequisite Evaluation Form
- Print and attach course description(s)
- Print and attach official transcript
- Submit forms to Marsha Ramezane ramezane@smccd.edu

**Mandatory Information Workshop Video & Quiz
- Watch online information video and complete online quiz with a minimum score 16 or higher in order to be eligible to apply. It will be available during fall semester.

APPLICATION PERIOD
(Dec 1st – Feb 1st)

- Fill out online application (NursingCAS; $50)

- Gather the following documents to be uploaded to NursingCAS (if applicable):
  - Healthcare license
  - Verification letters: volunteer work and/or work experience
  - Disability Forms
  - Financial Aid receipt
  - Paystub
  - EOPS verification
  - Refugee status
  - Military status