

Madera Community College Center LVN to RN ADN Program Program Information and Application Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam?

A:

The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) was developed to measure basic essential skills in the academic content area domains of Reading, Mathematics, Science, and English and Language Usage. These entry level skills were deemed important for nursing program applicants by a nursing program curriculum expert. Students must earn an overall score of 62% or higher to submit an application to the LVN to RN Program.

Q: Is the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam required to apply to LVN to RN Program.

A:

Yes. All students applying to the LVN to RN Program must submit a passing TEAS V score of 62% or higher at the time of application both electronically and hard copy. Students who do not have a 62% or higher TEAS exam score are ineligible to apply to the LVN to RN Programs. TEAS is not required for the LVN program.

Q: I took the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) more than two years ago. Will Madera Community College Center Nursing Program still accept my scores?

A:

No. You will need to retake the TEAS exam. However, you will lose points on the Multi-Screening criteria for each attempt after the first one.

Q: I have already taken the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) for another Nursing Program. Will Madera Center Nursing Program still accept my scores?

A:

Yes. Students who have already completed the TEAS exam with a 62% or higher score, must go to www.atitesting.com and request to have their scores transferred to Madera Community College Center when applying to the LVN to RN Bridge program. There is a fee associated with the transfer of the TEAS exam results.

Q: Can I apply while I am "in-progress" with a program prerequisite?

A:

Yes. "In-progress" application prerequisite courses will be accepted to apply for the LVN/RN bridge. However, points will be deducted if you have "in-progress" coursework.

Q: When does the next LVN/RN Bridge program start?

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The Bridge program starts every May.

Q: What are the prerequisites for the LVN/RN Bridge Program?**A:**

LVN/RN Bridge program prerequisites are ENG 1A, MATH 103 or higher, CHEM 3A, BIOL 20, 22, 31, PSYC 2, SOC 1A, FN 35/40, POLISCI 2, COMM 1/2/4/8, IS 12/15, PHIL 1C, 2 PE courses.

Q: When is the deadline to apply to the LVN/RN Bridge Program?**A:**

The application period to apply to the bridge program is December 3, 2018 – February 1, 2019.

Q: How long is the LVN/RN Bridge Program?**A:**

The Bridge program is 1 academic year. Summer, Fall, and Spring.

Q: How do I get into the LVN/RN Bridge Program?**A:**

The application process is based on a multi-screening criteria system. Please see application packet and counselor for further explanation.

Q: When should I see a LVN/LVN-RN Bridge Counselor?**A:**

There are two main reasons to see the LVN/LVN-RN Bridge Counselor. The first reason would be to ask for clarification on the application packet. Secondly, you must schedule an appointment to submit the application packet in person to the LVN-RN Bridge Counselor.

Q. Do I need to make an appointment to submit my application?

A: Yes. Applications must be turned in to the LVN-RN Bridge Counselor in person. This is also considered an informal interview. Therefore, children, family members, friends are not permitted in this meeting. Failure to comply will require a rescheduling of the appointment. To schedule an appointment to submit your application, call 559/675-4800.

Q: How many transcripts are required to be submitted with my Program application?**A:**

For the LVN/RN Bridge program students need to submit 2 official copies of external college transcripts, official copies of transcripts, which show graduation from a state accredited vocational nursing program, and an unofficial copy of SCCC transcripts.

Q: If I am selected into the Nursing program but unable to begin the program for specific reasons, can I defer my status?

A: No. Each cohort is selected from applicants who submit completed applications each December to February.

Q: Do I have to reapply every year for the LVN/RN Bridge program?

A:

Yes. If you are not selected you will need to reapply to the RN-Bridge program for the next cohort.

Q: How will I know if my coursework from another college will be transferable to Madera Community College Center?

A:

To determine if coursework completed at another college is transferable, you must meet with the LVN-RN Bridge Nursing Counselor. To schedule an appointment with a Nursing Counselor please call 559/675-4800. **Please bring all transcripts and catalog course descriptions to your appointment.** Failure to comply will result in a delay in evaluating the course work. Therefore, you will need to reschedule the appointment when you have all of the transcripts and catalog course descriptions from colleges/universities that are outside of SCCC.

Q: I have taken multiple Math/Statistics coursework. Which grade will be used?

A:

We will use the higher of the math/statistics grade.

Q: Where can I pick up an application for the LVN/RN Bridge Programs?

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The application is available online under the Nursing program section.

Q: Do you have a recency policy for the Nursing prerequisites or general education?

A: Yes. There is a 5 year recency for BIOL 20 Anatomy; BIOL 22 Physiology; AND BIOL 30 Microbiology. We do NOT accept combination Anatomy/Physiology coursework. The Board of Registered Nursing as a condition of our accreditation has approved the recency requirement for Madera Community College Center LVN-RN Bridge Program.

Q: Is a "W" (withdrawal) counted as a repeat for the Nursing Prerequisites?

A: Yes, the State Chancellors Office considers a "W" evaluative symbol as an attempt.

Q: Do I have to complete general education requirements prior to applying?

A: It is highly recommended to complete all general education requirements before you apply. If you have coursework in progress at the time of application, you will lose points on the multi-screening criteria.

Q: Can I use advanced placement (AP) scores for Nursing prerequisites?

A: Yes, but only a score of 3 or higher. We will use the AP in place of a completed equivalent college class for a Nursing prerequisite.