**BP 4106**

**Board Policy**

Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs

**BP 4106 NURSING PROGRAMS**

**References:**

Education Code Sections 66055.8, 66055.9, 70101-70107, 70120, 70124, 70125, 70128.5, 78260, 78261, 78261.3, 78261.5, 87482, 89267,89267.3, and 92645;

Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq. and 55521;

Health and Safety Code Section 128050

 Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 6, Article 4

 California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Sections 1420 et seq.

Admission to Nursing Program

The district will comply with all applicable federal laws.

Qualified applicants to the program will be selected based on a competitive admission process including the following established set of screening criteria:

* Prerequisite grade point average (GPA);
* A fixed set GPA in relevant coursework;
* Exam of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) scores;
* Academic degrees or diplomas, or relevant certificates, held by the applicant;
* Grade point average in relevant coursework;
* Life experiences or special circumstances of an applicant;
* Any relevant work or volunteer experience; and
* Proficiency or advanced level coursework in languages other than English.

Potential applicants must complete all perquisites prior to applying for the program.

Admission to the nursing program is not the same as admission to the college.

While a criminal record clearance is not required for admission to the program if a student cannot obtain a background clearance form the clinical agencies, it will not be possible to place the student in a clinical area, which is a required component of the program.

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