



# CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LONG BEACH

## STEP-UP BRIDGE PROGRAM

Fast-Track your BSN experience with CSULB School of Nursing! The Step-Up Summer Bridge program is a complementary experience *while* completing the ADN degree. This program allows current ADN students to complete non-clinical BSN courses prior to being admitted to our online RN-to-BSN program. The ideal candidate for this program is in the 2nd or 3rd semester of their ADN program.

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Currently in an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program\*
  - 2.75 GPA or higher - both Nursing and Overall GPA
- Students who meet these criteria and apply by the deadline date, will be allowed to take nursing courses at CSULB that will count toward their RN-BSN degree at CSULB.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

- Enrollment will occur through the College of Professional and Continuing Education division of the university.
- All students must start with NRS 309 as the first class.
- Students admitted to this program are not guaranteed admission to the RN-BSN online program and there may be additional requirements for the BSN degree; i.e., general education courses.
- Courses completed through this program are automatically articulated to the RN-BSN program, but other courses are subject to review by Enrollment Services.
- Funding and financial aid are the responsibility of the applicant (fees are \$600 per credit)

### APPLICATION TO THE STEP-UP BRIDGE PROGRAM

- All potential students will need to apply to this program by completing the online application to the Step-Up Bridge Program April 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

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

NRS 309 Dimensions of Professional Nursing  
 NRS 305 Pathophysiology  
 NRS 312 Health Assessment

### TRANSITION TO THE RN-BSN PROGRAM

Students admitted to the Step-Up Bridge Program must apply to the RN-BSN online program but are not guaranteed admission. Applicants should consult [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) to determine course articulations.

When you are ready to apply for the RN-BSN online program, you will need to:

- Submit separate applications for the RN-BSN online program
- Identify courses you have taking during the Step-Up Bridge program
- Meet other university requirements (120 total credits taken and articulated).

\*Must be accredited nationally at the program and college level. If you don't know this information, you can contact your nursing program office for this information. For more information, go to [www.csulb.edu/nursing](http://www.csulb.edu/nursing)