

**CHAFFEY COLLEGE  
NURSING EDUCATION  
CHALLENGE/ADVANCED PLACEMENT INTO THE  
NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL**

**BACKGROUND:**

To comply with SB466 and comply with the Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) regulation in *Division 14 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 1418*. Persons with relevant military education and experience who wish to become a Registered Nurse will have an effective process of evaluation. Their credit will be evaluated and applied toward completion of prelicensure nursing education from any board-approved registered nursing program to then be evaluated for licensure eligibility by the BRN.

**CHALLENGE/ADVANCED PLACEMENT FOR MILITARY – TRAINED  
HEALTHCARE PERSONNEL POLICY:**

Individuals who have held Military Health Care Occupations, such as Basic Medical Technician Corpsman (Navy HM or Air Force BMTCP), Army Health Care Specialist (68W Army Medic) or Air Force Independent Duty Medical Technician (IMDT 4N0X1C) may achieve advanced placement into the semester that correlates with their training in the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Registered Nursing (RN) program. Documentation of relevant education and experience qualifying them for the specific Military Health Care Occupation must be provided and the individual will successfully complete the challenge exam, dosage calculation exam and skills competency evaluation.

1. Applicants must meet all general entrance requirements of the Associate Degree Nursing Enrollment Criteria, including completion of designated prerequisites and the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) with a score of 62% or above.
2. Acceptance of Military Challenge students into the Associate Degree Nursing Program:
  - a. Is contingent upon space availability;
  - b. The applicant must achieve 62% or above on the Challenge Exam for the semester they seek to challenge;
  - c. Must achieve 100% on a dosage calculation quiz;
  - d. Successfully demonstrate skills competency assessment equivalent to the semester(s) they seek to challenge; and
  - e. Demonstrate proficiency utilizing the nursing process.
3. Military Challenge students admitted to the Associate Degree Nursing Program after academic failure at another school will not be eligible for re-entry after academic failure or withdrawal to avoid academic failure from Chaffey College's Associate Degree Nursing Program.

**PROCEDURE:**

Interested candidates must request an appointment with the ADN Program Director at least eight weeks prior to the application period to discuss eligibility requirements for the Associate Degree Nursing Program.

1. Applicants who may be eligible for advanced placement include those individuals who have satisfactorily completed education and experience for the following:
  - a. Basic Medical Technician Corpsman (Navy HM or Air Force BMTCP)
  - b. Army Health Care Specialist (68W Army Medic)
  - c. Air Force Independent Duty Medical Technician (IMDT 4N0X1C)
2. Applicants applying for transfer credit must submit the following materials verifying education and experience:
  - a. Documentation of honorable discharge (DD214) or current active honorable service.
  - b. Transcripts from appropriate education program(s), demonstrating satisfactory completion of coursework and clinical experience;
  - c. Documentation of experience
3. After a review of the applicant's documentation, and upon determination that the applicant has met the educational and experience requirements, as well as the additional nursing program admission requirements, the student will be required to take a written challenge examination, a competency skills evaluation, a dosage calculation exam, and develop a plan of care for a patient using the nursing process from a case study.
4. The following materials will be available to the applicant once challenge confirmation is made:
  - a. Course syllabus, including course objectives;
  - b. Content outline;
  - c. Bibliography and textbook lists;
  - d. Example of style and format of examination; and
  - e. Skills validation check list.
5. Written and skills competency examinations for advanced placement or challenge must be completed four weeks prior to acceptance to the program, unless waived by the ADN Program Director.
6. Advanced Placement will be granted if applicant meets minimum requirements equivalent to those required of students enrolled in the actual course.