

Pre-Nursing Certificate (PNC) Checklist

A student's pre-nursing certificate requirements are those stated in the catalog in the year in which she is admitted to Mills. To be eligible for graduation, students must complete all the requirements listed below and should refer to the departmental listing for specific course requirements:

- Total Semester Course Credits (17 credits)**
Each student must complete a minimum of 17 semester course credits including transfer credits and/or Advanced Placement (AP) credit. These credits are to be completed over two years of study.
- General Education (GE) Requirement (5 courses; 4 credits)**
The five-course (4-credit) general education requirement can be fulfilled through a selection of courses which reflect our general education outcomes; students can also earn GE credit through AP credit or prior college-level course work. COLL 005 (0 credit) is required of all entering undergraduates. ENG 001 is required of all entering undergraduates unless they have equivalent transfer or AP credit. Both ENG 001 and COLL 005 must be taken during the student's first year of attendance. Students who are required to take CHEM 004 may substitute this for one of the general education courses, with the exception of ENG 001 and COLL 005.
- Science Core (5 credits)**
Pre-nursing students must complete four 1.25-credit science core courses as part of the major. At least two of these courses must be completed at Mills.
- Remaining Major Requirements (8 credits)**
Students must also complete the eight additional courses specified by the department as part of the major.
- Residency Requirement (8.5 credits)**
Students must be in attendance at Mills during the last two semesters immediately prior to completion of the certificate and must complete a minimum of 8.5 semester course credits at Mills.
- Minimum GPA of 3.0**
Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 in order to transfer to Samuel Merritt College for their final two years of study. For transfer students, all UC transferable coursework taken before entrance to Mills is included in the GPA calculation.
- Nursing Entrance Test (NET)**
A score of at least 55 on the Nursing Entrance Test is required to be accepted into Samuel Merritt College.
- Background Check**
All nursing students must pass a Level One criminal background check before they will be allowed to transfer to Samuel Merritt College.
- CPR Certificate**
All nursing students transferring to Samuel Merritt College must have a CPR certificate that is valid for two years.