

## Pre-Nursing Certificate (PNC) Checklist

A student's pre-nursing certificate requirements are those stated in the catalog for 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**  
Each student must complete all Pre-Nursing certificate course work, which may include transfer credits and/or Advanced Placement (AP) credit. These credits are to be completed over two years of study. For students who complete all their course work at Mills, 17 total semester course credits are required.
- 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 2.0**  
Students who maintain a certificate course work GPA of at least a 2.0 will obtain the Mills Pre-Nursing Certificate; however, a GPA of 2.0 is not sufficient for transfer into the junior year of the nursing program at Samuel Merritt University. Students should check the Samuel Merritt University website or catalog for current admission criteria.