The College of Sequoias Registered Nursing Program welcomes your application. This packet contains all application instructions and forms required for program application. This packet is available on-line at: https://www.cos.edu/en-us/academics/nursing-allied-health/application

1. Program Application Submission Periods and Timeframes

- The COS RN program accepts applications twice each year.
- <u>November 1 through February 1</u>. Applications submitted during this period are only evaluated for admission to the fall semester of the same year.
- <u>May 1 through July 15</u>. Applications submitted during this period are only evaluated for admission to the spring semester of the following calendar year.
- If the application deadline date falls on a weekend, the deadline will be the following Monday
- All applications must be submitted to the COS Nursing Office (Hospital Rock 101) in person. Applications will not be accepted by mail, email, or fax. Applications will only be accepted on regular business days, between the hours of <u>8:00 AM and 4:30 PM</u>. Summer hours are Monday through Thursday <u>7:30 AM to 5:00 PM</u> and Friday <u>7:30 AM to 11:30 AM</u>.

2. Application Packet Instructions and Verification Requirements

- Print the entire application and instruction packet and complete all sections as instructed. Sign, initial, and date as indicated.
- Include all required documentation listed on the application or the criteria selection matrix with your application packet. Enter your criteria score in each area and total your points at the end of the selection matrix. Every applicant is responsible for completing their criteria scoring section. All points will be evaluated by the Nursing Office for qualification.
- Include the completed and <u>signed</u> Nursing Program Information Tutorial Test. In order for an application to be valid for evaluation a minimum of twelve (12) questions must be answered correctly on the Information Tutorial Test. Failure to meet the minimum score is considered to be an incomplete application, resulting in denial. All answers can be found on the Information Tutorial: https://www.cos.edu/en-us/academics/nursing-allied-health/information-tutorial.
- Place the completed application packet in a 9" x 12" manila envelope with your name printed on the front of it. Submit your application in person to Hospital Rock 101 (Nursing Office) at 915 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, CA 93277, and obtain a receipt from the Nursing Office staff.

Only complete application packets with all listed verifications submitted within the specified acceptance periods will be evaluated for admission to the program.

<u>Make and retain a copy of your application and applicable documentation (DO NOT OPEN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS)</u>. No applications or documents will be returned once submitted, and no copies of any part your application packet will be made in the nursing office.

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APPLICATION SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

Please initial each reminder, print your name, and sign and date as indicated.

- I am verifying that the personal information I have provided is current and I understand I am responsible for notifying the COS Nursing office if there are changes.
- I understand that the demographic information requested has no bearing on my selection for the program. It is only used to track the program's success in maintaining a diverse student nurse population.
- I understand if I do not provide complete information about all colleges and nursing programs that I have attended, and this is later discovered, I will be ineligible for admission in the program. If in the program, I will be dismissed.
- If I have already earned a relevant diploma or certificate, I have provided appropriate documentation including transcripts.
- If, during the last 24 months, I have at least 200 hours of direct patient care in work or volunteer service, I have provided appropriate documentation.
- I have provided two official copies of transcripts from all colleges attended. If any of my coursework has been completed at COS, I have provided one unofficial transcript.
 OR I have ordered electronic transcripts from all colleges attended to be sent to College of the Sequoias and included unofficial transcripts with my application and a receipt of electronic transfer for all colleges attended.
- I have reviewed the transcripts of my anatomy, physiology, and microbiology courses and recorded the number of repeats.
- I have reviewed my ATI TEAS report and used my Adjusted Individual Total Score to establish and record my points.

- I have provided my ATI TEAS Adjusted Individual Score Report and the receipt showing electronic transfer of score to COS if applicable.
- I have reviewed the eligible life experiences and circumstances listed in criterion 7, and, if appropriate, provided my documentation.
- If I am fluent in a language other than English I have included my points for this criterion and provided the required documentation.
- If I am applying to the LVN-RN Advanced Placement Program I have included a copy of my LVN Program Certificate, LVN License, and two (2) official transcripts from my LVN program.
- I have read the Nursing Program Information Tutorial found on the Nursing website and have included my completed and signed Nursing Program Information Tutorial Test with this application.
- I have made copies of my application, and I understand that the nursing office will not make copies of my application or documentation for me.
- I give permission for the Nursing office to verify any information submitted including contacting persons who have supplied verification letters and certification of language proficiency.

Print Name:_____

Signature:_____

Date:

College of Sequoias Associate Degree In Nursing Program Program Application Packet Student Information Section

Admission to: Fall	2025 Semester						
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2.	Have you earned a relevant License or Certificate? You may choose only 1. Licensed Vocational Nurse = 10 Points Paramedic = 10 Points Psychiatric Technician = 10 Points Physical Therapist Assistant = 10 Points Certified Nursing Assistant = 5 Points Emergency Medical Technician = 5 Points Respiratory Therapist = 5 Points Radiology Technician = 5 Points Ultrasound Technician = 5 Points Medical Military Experience (>1000 hours) = 5 Points Phelbotomist = 5 Points Health care related therapists or technicians = 5 Points Medical Assistant (Back Office) = 5 Points Dental Hygienist = 5 Points Medical Scribe = 5 Points Pharmacy Technician = 5 Points Pharmacy Technician = 5 Points EKG	Licensed or certified healthcare worker requires a copy of the current active and unrestricted <u>California</u> license/certificate including name, license/certificate number, date of issue and date of expiration. *If applying as LVN-RN Advanced Placement, attach 2 official transcripts from LVN school showing completion of LVN program. Points will only be awarded for one eligible license or certificate.
3.	 Do you have recent work or volunteer experience *with direct patient care in relevant jobs (examples of direct patient care positions listed above)? You may choose only 1. Yes, documentation of work experience is attached. = 5 Points Yes, documentation of volunteer experience is attached. = 2.5 points No, I do not have recent work or volunteer experience with direct patient care in a relevant job. *For credit in this criterion, you must have worked or volunteered at least 200 hours within the last twenty-four months. Hours worked towards earning a relevant Diploma or Certificate cannot be included. No partial credit is awarded in this criterion, and only one category applies. *Direct patient care provided must be given to a person or persons, not animals. 	Original letter on organization letterhead with an original signature from current/former employer. <u>Must include</u> : Name, start date and end date (if applicable), employee status (full- time/part-time/volunteer), Number of hours worked per week (or total hours from/to date), job title and department, and job duty examples.

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5.	Did you repeat any of yo Repeats include all grad No more than one repe	Please see criterion 4 for transcript requirements.			
	1 repeated class, deduct 2 repeated classes, deduct 3 repeated classes, deduct A total of up to 8 points	uct 3 points uct 5 points			
	Course	Number of Repeats	Points Deducted]	
	Anatomy				
	Physiology				
	Microbiology			1	
	Total Repeats				
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6.	What was your Individu	ual Adjusted Score on the ATI T points	EAS 7?		Only one repeat of TEAS will be allowed. A minimum of 45 days between exams is required.
	 91.9% - 65.1% = TE 62.0% - 65.0% = 3 	EAS score minus 62 = points	points (Applicant mu	ust calculate points)	If TEAS was taken at COS, a printed copy of the TEAS Individual Performance Profile report is required.
	points for this criterion.	TEAS score you would subtrac . 80.7-62=18.7 epted for this application perior			If TEAS was taken at a location other than COS, a printed copy of the Individual Performance Profile Report, <u>and</u> a copy of the Transfer Receipt or an email verification showing payment for transfer of
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Please re	have special life experiences or special circumstances? eview the list below and determine if any one of these experiences/circumstances apply to you. If so, and you provide the documentation, <u>you will be awarded points for one eligible</u> experience/circumstance.	Current proof of eligibility means within the current academic year.
	Eligible Veteran/Active Duty or Spouse of Eligible Veteran/Active Duty: Provide copy of Defense Department Form 214 (DD214, Member 4 Form). Honorable discharge required or a copy of current active military identification. 7.5 points Medically Under-Served: Living in a medically under-served area or population, as designated by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration. Provide proof of service address with a utility bill within the application period 7.5 points Disabilities: Provide proof of <u>current</u> eligibility from COS Access & Ability Center or other qualified disability evaluation specialist. 2.5 points Low Family Income: Provide proof of current eligibility or eligibility during prerequisite coursework with a receipt of financial aid under a program that may include but is not limited to: a fee waiver from the California Promise Grant, the Californt program, the Federal Pell Grant program, or CalWorks. 2.5 points First Generation to Attend College: Provide description below. 2.5 points Need to Work: Provide paycheck stub from period of time <u>enrolled in prerequisite courses</u> or letter from employer. 2.5 points Social or Environmental Disadvantages: Provide proof of current eligibility or eligibility during prerequisite coursework for Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOP&S) 2.5 points Difficult Personal or Family Situations or Circumstances: Provide description below. 2.5 points Refugee Status: Provide documentation or letter from United States Citizens and Immigration Service (USCIS) 2.5 points ng the circumstance of first in your family to attend college, or difficult personal family situations/circumstances, rovide a brief description below:	To verify that you reside in a medically underserved area (MUA) or medically underserved population (MUP) please use the address tool on the HRSA website: https:// data.hrsa.gov/tools/ shortage-area/by- address If your address has a green check mark next to MUA/P, at the bottom of the page, then it is a qualifying address. If it has a red "X" next to MUA/P then the address does not qualify for these points.

8.	Are you proficient or have advanced level coursework in languages other than English? Eligible languages identified by Chancellor's Office are: If so, and you provide the required documentation, you will be awarded 5 points for <u>one</u> of the following:	Native Speaker: Completed and signed Certificate of Language Proficiency form OR Second Language: Official Transcript showing completion of 3
	American Sign Language Arabic Chinese (including its various dialects) Farsi Russian Spanish Tagalog One of the various languages of the Indian sub-continent and Southeast Asia One of the various languages of the African continent	years high school courses in same language through the intermediate level with a "C" or better, or college course/s in the same language through the intermediate level with a "C" or better OR Official AP score Report with a test score of 3 or higher or appropriate SAT Subject test score in language.

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Criteria Score/Points:

Criteria Category	Points Earned (TO BE FILLED IN BY APPLICANT)	Points Awarded Office Use Only	Verification Included OFFICE USE ONLY
1			
2			
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TOTAL			

I certify to the best of my knowledge all information provided on this document is complete and accurate. I understand and acknowledge it is my responsibility to verify that all required documents are included with this application. I understand that failure to include any required documents <u>will result</u> in loss of points awarded or disqualification of my application.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

A minimum of 12 questions must be answered correctly for an application to be complete. The Nursing Office will not answer test questions.

- 1. International coursework must be evaluated by
 - a) COS Admissions & Records
 - b) COS Counseling Department
 - c) COS Nursing Counselor
 - d) A COS approved transcript evaluation service
- 2. The COS Nursing Program website is
 - a) www.cos/nursing
 - b) www.cos/careercenter/nursing
 - c) www.cos.edu/studentservices/nursing
 - d) www.cos.edu/nursing
- 3. Criminal background checks are ordered by each student prior to beginning the program. If a background check is "flagged"
 - a) A flagged background has no effect on admission to the program
 - b) Acceptance depends upon approval of the clinical agency
 - c) The student will have to remediate and reapply
 - d) The student is automatically denied admission to the program
- 4. Completing the online tutorial and this quiz is _____ in order to apply to the Nursing Program.
 - a) Optional
 - b) Recommended
 - c) Highly recommended
 - d) Mandatory
- 5. Which of the following is required for the application process
 - a) Successful completion of the Nursing Program Information Tutorial Test only
 - b) Unofficial transcripts for all prerequisite courses, successful completion of the Nursing Program Information Tutorial Test
 - c) Two official transcripts (or 1 eTranscript/corresponding unofficial printouts) from all colleges/universities attended, TEAS documentation, successful completion of the Nursing Program Information Tutorial Test
 - d) One official transcript from COS, successful completion of the Nursing Program Information Tutorial Test
- 6. The courses which require a subset GPA of at least 2.5 are
 - a) Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology
 - b) English, Anatomy, Physiology and Psychology
 - c) Speech, English, Anatomy & Physiology
 - d) Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology & Chemistry
- 7. The application deadlines are which of the following
 - a) November 1 January 15
 - b) February 1 & July 15
 - c) May 1 July 15
 - d) January 1 & July 15

8. If a fully gualified applicant is not admitted, he/she

- a) Must re-apply next year
- b) Can reapply for admission to the next or any subsequent semester
- c) Cannot reapply
- Does not have to reapply, their waitlist number rolls over to the next year d)

9. An applicant is ineligible if he/she

- a) Lives in Sacramento
 - b) Submits their application on January 2
 - c) Is not a current COS student
 - d) Has a prerequisite course in progress at the time of application
- 10. The 2-step TB requires visits to a healthcare provider/facility.
 - a) 2
 - b) 3 c) 4
 - d) 6
- 11. General education courses (Communications, Math, etc.) must be completed.
 - a) In order to take the RN-NCLEX exam
 - b) For the Associate of Science in Nursing degree, unless the student already holds a Bachelor's degree
 - c) After the nursing program is completed
 - d) In order to apply to the nursing program
- 12. If offered a seat in the COS RN Program, proof of immunizations will be required for the following vaccines:
 - a) MMR, Varicella, Hep B, COVID-19, Influenza, and Tdap
 - b) MMR. Varicella, Hep B, and Tdap
 - c) MMR. Varicella, Hep B. Influenza, and Tdap
 - d) Proof of immunizations are recommended but not required for the COS RN Program.
- 13. Nursing program clinical hours range from 6 to 24 hours per week, depending on the course. Choose the correct statement regarding clinical hours
 - a) Clinical hours are never in the evening
 - b) Clinical hours are always on Tuesdays & Wednesdays
 - c) Clinical hours are not required
 - d) Clinical days and hours vary from course to course
- 14. For applicants choosing the 30-Unit LVN Option, which of the following are correct
 - a) Must meet with the Director of Nursing before choosing this option
 - b) Admitted on space available basis
 - Will have permanent "Non-graduate" designation from CA BRN upon c) successfully passing the RN-NCLEX exam
 - d) All of the above

15. The minimum cumulative GPA for application consideration to the RN Program is

- a) 2.5
- b) 2.0
- c) 4.0 d) 3.2

Applicant Name:

Signature of Applicant:

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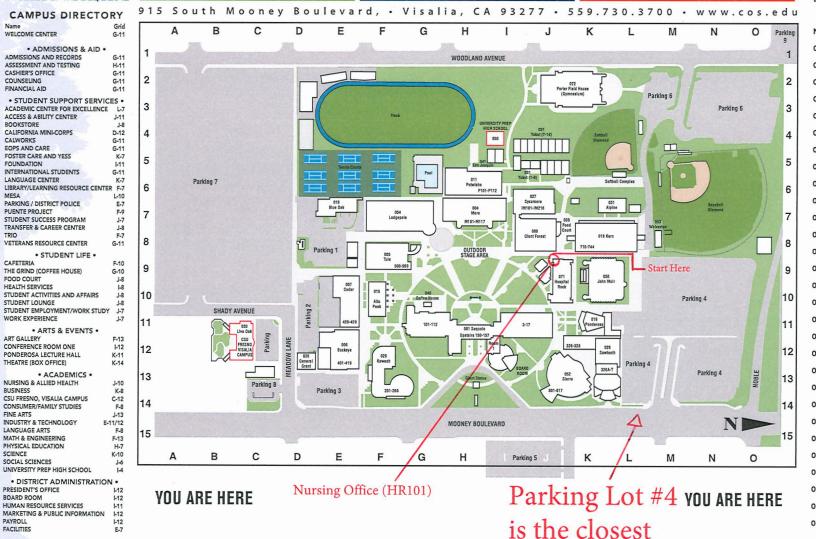
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007 CEDAR	E-10
008 GIANT FOREST	J-8
011 POTWISHA	H-6
015 ALTA PEAK	F-10
016 BLUE OAK	E-7
018 KERN	K-7
019 PONDEROSA	K-11
020 GENERAL GRANT	D-12
026 SAWTOOTH	K-13
027 SYCAMORE	J-6
029 KAWEAH	F-13
030 CSU FRESNO, VISALIA	C-12
031 ALPINE	K-7
039 FOOD COURT	J-7
040 COFFEE HOUSE	G-10
041 SAN JOAQUIN	1-5
050 UNIVERSITY PREP H.S.	1-4
051 YOKUT	J-4
052 SIERRA	J-13
053 WOLVERTON	M-8
054 LODGEPOLE	F-7
056 JOHN MUIR	L-10
071 HOSPITAL ROCK	J-10
072 PORTER FIELD HOUSE	K-2
077 SOFTBALL COMPLEX	L-5





Common Application Mistakes

****Disclaimer:** These are common mistakes, but may not be representative of all of the mistakes seen by application evaluators.

Common Mistakes	How to Fix
 Category 1: Degree Applicant claims points for a degree with a <i>copy</i> of the degree as supporting documentation. 	 The claimed degree needs to be posted on the official college transcript to earn points. A <i>copy</i> of the degree will not suffice.
Category 2: Relevant License/Certification	
 Applicant submits a CPR-BLS Certification as a relevant degree/certification. 	 CPR – BLS Certification does not qualify for points for the area. (Refer to the list for eligible license/certification)
 Medical Assistant certificate does not state that it is back office. 	 Include documentation that lists the medical assistant program entailed back-office work.
Category 3: Work/Volunteer Experience	
 Applicant submits work experience letter from private individuals. 	 Work Experience letter must be from an established organization/business. Letters from private individuals are not eligible for points.
 Work/Volunteer experience is out of allowable time period. 	 200 hours of work/volunteer experience must be completed within two years of application deadline.
 Applicant submits letter of work or volunteer experience from not related to direct patient care. 	 Work/volunteer experience must be in direct patient care (of humans).
Category 4: Biology GPA	





Category 5: Biology Repeats	
Category 6: TEAS Score	
 Applicant does not send scores to College of the Sequoias A.D.N (If taken at a location other than COS). 	 If taken at a location other than COS, transfer scores to "College of the Sequoias A.D.N.", this can be done through ATI. Include the receipt <u>and</u> your Individual Performance Profile Report.
 Applicant does not include Individual Performance Profile Report. 	 Every applicant must provide a printout of their Individual Performance Profile Report regardless of test location.
 Applicant has too many attempts. 	 Only one of the first two attempts with 45 days in-between are accepted.
 Applicant does not have 45 days in-between attempts. 	 Applicant must wait 45 days between the first and second attempt. If less than 45 days between attempts then applicant must submit their first score, pending the score meets the minimum passing score of 62%.
Category 7: Special Life Experiences/Circumstances	
 Applicant accumulates points for several subcategories. 	 Calculate for only 1 eligible special life experience/circumstance.
 Active-Duty Member/Veteran or spouse submits DD-214, Member 1 form. 	 The DD-214 must list discharge status, this is commonly found on the DD-214, Member 4 form. Discharge must be <i>Honorable</i> to receive points.
 Financial Aid subcategory: Student provides proof of financial aid from previous years or not during the time of prerequisite coursework. 	 Proof of financial aid documentation must be from the current academic year, or during the time a prerequisite course (English 1, Anatomy, Physiology, or Microbiology).





 Need to Work Subcategory: Students submit a W-2 	 The Need to Work subcategory is specific to the semester enrolled in the prerequisite. Submit one paystub that correlates with the semester.
Category 8: Foreign Language	
 Applicant does not provide <u>official</u> AP score report. 	 Electronically send official AP scores to COS Admissions and Records <u>or</u> include a sealed official AP score report with your application. (For electronic transcripts, receipts of transfer are recommended).
 Applicant does not get the Language Proficiency Form completed by an eligible person. 	 Form must be completed by a supervisor (not co-workers), a clergy member (not church parishioners) or a professor of claimed language.
 Applicant provides a copy of high school transcript. 	 High school transcript must be official, in a sealed envelope or electronically sent to COS Admissions and Records. (For electronic transcripts, receipts of transfer are recommended).
Transcripts:	
 Applicant does not include official transcripts from all colleges attended. 	 Provide official transcripts for <u>all</u> colleges attended, regardless of the courses taken.
 Applicant does not include unofficial printout for e- transcripts. 	 For all e-transcripts, an unofficial print out is required. Receipts are highly recommended in the case there is an error in receiving the e- transcript.
 Applicant does not include an unofficial transcript printout for COS coursework 	 Print one unofficial transcript for coursework completed at COS and include it with your application.
 Applicant does not apply to the college prior to sending e-transcripts. 	 To send e-transcripts, you must apply to COS first, so your transcripts attach to your student account and shows in the system.
 Bakersfield College, Cerro Coso College, and Porterville College official transcripts are not provided individually. 	 The listed three colleges are in one district. On their unofficial transcript, all three colleges show but on their official transcripts, they are separate.





	Official transcripts from these three colleges will need to be sent/provided separately.
Other Common Area Mistakes:	
 Applicant fails to include: 	
 Application Submission Checklist (Incomplete or not included) Information Tutorial Test 	 Include all pages of the application packet (pages 1-9 and Information Tutorial Test), completely initialed and signed. Thoroughly review the Information Tutorial PowerPoint where all
(Incomplete, not signed, or not included)	answers can be found.
 All pages of the application (Not included) 	 Application instructions change from time to time. Use the correct application. Double check the term listed on the application and make
 Application is to a previous application period. 	sure it is the term in which you are intending to apply.