



Welcome and thank you for your interest in the College of the Redwoods Career Mobility Nursing Program. Our outstanding program has been approved by the Board of Registered Nursing since 1967. Our graduates have a high success rate on the licensure exam for Registered Nursing.

**APPLICATION DISCLOSURES FOR
Career Mobility Program**

Apply September 2026/ Program start January 2027 / Complete May 2028

***Applications accepted Tuesday, September 1, 2026, 8:00 am through
Tuesday, September 15, 2026, 4:00 pm***

Admission criteria are subject to change from year to year. Applicants are responsible for reviewing the current application requirements, meeting all deadlines, and following all application instructions.

The College of the Redwoods Career Mobility program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nurses (BRN). The program prepares students to graduate with an associate degree in nursing (ADN). Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN), leading to licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN).

Class selection follows the multi-criteria screening process in accordance with California Education Code 78261 and the California Community College Chancellor's Office.

- Points are awarded in the areas of academic performance; work or volunteer experience; proficiency in a language other than English; life experiences or special circumstances; and a diagnostic assessment test (TEAS). The points awarded in each of these categories are explained in the point allocation section of these application instructions.
- Program admission is offered to the highest scoring eligible applicants to fill available seats. If there is a tie among applicants, a computerized random selection will break the tie.
- **There is no wait list for the Career Mobility Program.**
- Applicants not admitted to the program must reapply in a future application cycle.
- College of the Redwoods RN program licensure exam pass rates are listed at: <https://www.rn.ca.gov/education/passrates.shtml>
- Conviction of a misdemeanor or felony may constitute grounds for denial of licensure. For more information, please refer to the "Reporting Disciplinary Actions" FAQ section of the California Board of Registered Nursing Website: <https://www.rn.ca.gov/applicants/lic-faqs.shtml>

IMPORTANT DATES

- Tues. Aug.25, 2026 **3:30pm** Career Mobility Information Session via Zoom
 - Join Zoom Meeting <https://redwoods-edu.zoom.us/j/4443008236>
- Fri. Aug.28, 2026 **8:30am** Career Mobility Information Session via Zoom
 - Join Zoom Meeting <https://redwoods-edu.zoom.us/j/4443008236>
- Aug. 31, 2026 Deadline to complete prerequisite courses
- Sept. 1, 2026 Career Mobility Application goes live
- Sept. 1-15, 2026 Applications accepted for Spring 2027 admission
- Sept. 15, 2026 Deadline to submit current official transcripts from ALL colleges attended
- Sept. 15, 2026 Deadline to submit ATI TEAS assessment score
- Oct. 15, 2026 Notification of eligibility status and point allocation emailed to all applicants
- Nov. 1, 2026 Deadline to appeal eligibility status and dispute point allocation
- Nov. 15, 2026 Notification of appeal and seat offers
- Nov. 23, 2026 Mandatory Orientation – Online Zoom
- Jan. 16, 2027 Spring Semester Begins – Class of 2027 RN Program

Application Steps and Eligibility

1. College Application and Student Email: All applicants must have applied to the College of the Redwoods and have a CR student ID number.

Apply for admission to College of the Redwoods <https://www.redwoods.edu/apply/index.php>.

**If you have not attended classes at the College of the Redwoods for two or more semesters you are required to re-apply. This must be completed prior to submitting your application.*

Ensure your College of the Redwoods email account remains active throughout the entire application process. All eligibility notifications, point allocations, admission offers, and requests for additional information will be sent only to your CR email account.

Name/Address Changes: If there have been any changes to your name, address, email, or phone number after submitting your application, you must update this information immediately by emailing to: HealthOcc@redwoods.edu. Updating your information in College of the Redwoods Admissions alone will **not** update your RN Program application.

Check CR Email Frequently: Check your College of the Redwoods email for the Important Dates. We DO NOT use personal email accounts, so please ensure your CR email is active and up to date.

2. Transcript Submission: All applicants must submit current transcripts from all colleges attended. Transcripts must be received within the application period.

**Please note this process has changed.*

Transcripts will not be sent to the CR Admissions office.

- Official, current transcripts from all colleges attended.
- Must be from regionally accredited US colleges or universities.
- Transcripts submitted previously showing in-progress coursework need to be resubmitted when the course is completed to be considered eligible.
- Transcripts for coursework taken at College of the Redwoods do not need to be submitted.

Submit Current Official transcripts with your application. Options for official transcript submittal:

- Official transcripts must be submitted directly by the issuing institution or through the institution's authorized electronic transcript service directly to admissions@redwoods.edu.
 - This may include Parchment or another verified electronic transcript service authorized by the issuing institution.
 - Transcripts submitted or forwarded by applicants are not considered official and will **not** be accepted.
- Hand-deliver official sealed transcripts to the Admissions and Records Office during regular business hours. If you have any questions, please contact Admissions and Records at (707) 476-4200.
- Students may confirm whether their official transcripts have been received by emailing admissions@redwoods.edu or by checking their Etrieve forms under "ADM – Received Transcript" through their MyCR Portal.

AP Exam Score Submission Requirements

Applicants who are using Advanced Placement (AP) exam scores to meet nursing program prerequisites must submit an official AP score report directly from College Board.

Only AP exam scores of 3 or higher will be accepted for prerequisite consideration.

How to Send AP Scores

- Sign in to the AP score reporting system through the College Board AP Scores page.
- Select "**Send AP Scores.**"
- Search for **College of the Redwoods** and submit the score report request.
- College Board will send an official AP score report directly to the college.

Important Deadline Information

Applicants are responsible for requesting AP score reports early enough to ensure they are received by the application deadline. College Board processes score report requests in batches and delivery times may vary.

If an official AP score report has not been received by the application deadline, applicants may submit:

- Proof that the official score report was requested from College Board prior to the application deadline; and
- An unofficial copy of the AP score report for preliminary review.

However, official AP scores must be received by the college for final verification. AP scores received after the application deadline may not be considered during the admissions review process, and applicants may not receive prerequisite credit or admission points associated with those scores if official documentation is not received in time.

Applicants are encouraged to request AP score reports well in advance of the application deadline to avoid delays.

Cost

- Students get **one free score** each year they take AP exams if they designate a recipient by the annual deadline (typically in June). ([AP Students](#))
- After that deadline, additional score reports currently cost **\$15 per report**. ([AP Students](#))

***Foreign/International transcripts must be formally evaluated by a foreign transcription service.** For more information, please visit: <https://www.redwoods.edu/services/admissions/transcriptinformation.php> .

3. Prerequisite Coursework: All applicants must complete the prerequisite coursework August 31, 2026.
No In-progress coursework will be considered.

Prerequisite coursework completed prior to application with a grade of 'C' or better

Prerequisite courses	Minimum semester credits	CR Course
Microbiology including lab	4.0	BIOL 2 (4 units)
Human Anatomy including lab	4.0	BIOL 6 (4 units)
Human Physiology including lab	4.0	BIOL 7 (4 units)
College Composition	4.0	ENGL C1000 (4 Units)
Nutrition	3.0	HO-15

- A combined GPA of 2.5 or higher is required for all science courses and overall GPA of 2.5.
- Grades of 'C minus' and below are not accepted in prerequisite courses.

*****Consult the CR catalog or CR counseling/advising services for additional degree requirements

Nursing Program Application

All applicants must submit a complete Career Mobility Application, and all required supporting documentation. Documents from previous application cycles will not be accepted unless specifically stated.

Important Dates

- The application period is September 1, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. through September 15, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. Application materials are accepted **ONLY** during this period. Materials submitted before September 1 or after the deadline will not be reviewed or carried forward to a future application cycle.
- All required application materials, including transcripts, TEAS documentation, and verification forms, must be received by the application deadline. Incomplete, late, or incorrectly submitted applications are ineligible for review.

How to Apply

1. Apply to the College of the Redwoods (<https://www.redwoods.edu/apply/index.php>)
* **If you have not attended classes at the College of the Redwoods for two or more semesters you are required to re-apply. This must be completed prior to submitting your application.**
2. Complete the **online Career Mobility Application**.
3. Upload **all required supporting documents** by the deadline.

Attachment Requirements

- **Format:** All files must be PDFs.
- **One PDF attachment per category/title.**
Examples:
 - TEAS Transcript.
 - Work Experience.
 - **Application Supporting Documentation Form** — Complete one form for Sections **4c, 4e, 4f, and/or 5**. A single form may be used to provide documentation for one or multiple sections.
 - Previous Application.
- **Naming Convention:** LAST NAME- TITLE OF DOCUMENT
 - Example:
 - Smith – TEAS Transcript
 - Smith – Work Experience

Before You Submit

- Double-check your application for completeness. Applications missing the required documents will not be accepted.
- **Admissions- Transcripts sent via electronic service such as Parchment MUST be emailed** directly to: admissions@redwoods.edu .
- **Applications sent by mail will NOT be accepted.**
- Print and save a copy of your completed application for your records.
- **DO NOT** submit any documents not required (i.e.- letters of recommendation, letters of reference, diplomas or unofficial transcripts).

ATI TEAS Assessment Requirement

To be considered for admission into the Nursing Program, applicants must pass the **ATI TEAS Assessment Test** (Test of Essential Academic Skills), **Version 7**, with a **minimum composite score of 62%**. This requirement is based on state legislation.

TEAS Testing Requirements

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that all TEAS requirements are met and that the required documentation is included with their application packet.

- **Accepted Exam:** Only **ATI TEAS Version 7** scores will be accepted.
- **Minimum Score Requirement:** Applicants must earn a **minimum composite score of 62%**.
- **Testing Date Requirement:** The ATI TEAS Version 7 exam must have been completed between **August 1, 2023, and August 30, 2026**.
- **Application Submission Period:** TEAS scores and supporting documentation must be submitted with the application packet during the application period of **September 1–15, 2026**.

Required TEAS Transcript

A copy of your official ATI TEAS transcript must be attached to your application packet. Applications submitted without a TEAS transcript will be considered incomplete.

- Save the transcript PDF using the following file name format: **LAST NAME – TEAS TRANSCRIPT**.
- Upload the TEAS transcript as part of your application packet during the application period.
- **Even if ATI indicates that your transcript has been sent to College of the Redwoods, you are still required to include a copy of the TEAS transcript with your application.**
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the TEAS transcript is attached and submitted with the application packet by the application deadline.

Retesting Policy – Read Carefully

TEAS Retesting Requirements

If you score below 62% on the TEAS exam, or if you would like to improve a previous score, you must complete the approved remediation and retest process **before** registering for or taking another TEAS exam.

To be approved for a retest:

1. Complete the **ATI TEAS Exam Remediation** available on the RN Program webpage under **TEAS Testing**:
<https://www.redwoods.edu/academics/ho/rn/index.php> .
2. Email HealthOcc@redwoods.edu to request approval to retest. Include documentation showing completion of the required remediation
3. Wait to receive written approval from HealthOcc@redwoods.edu before registering for another TEAS exam.
4. Wait at least **90 days** from the date of your previous TEAS attempt before taking the exam again.

TEAS Retesting and Score Submission Requirements

Important Notes

- Applicants who have already earned a passing TEAS score but wish to improve their score must complete the approved remediation process, obtain retest approval, and meet the required **90-day waiting period** before taking another TEAS exam.
- **Retest approval must be received before registering for or taking a TEAS retest.**
- TEAS retests taken without prior approval will **not be accepted** for admission eligibility or application point calculation.
- **All TEAS score reports and any required TEAS remediation documentation must be submitted with the RN application packet.**
- If an unauthorized retest is taken, the first eligible TEAS score will be used to determine admission eligibility and application points.

Submitting TEAS Scores

- Applicants are required to attach a copy of their **ATI TEAS transcript** to their application packet.
- Save the transcript PDF using the following file naming format: **LAST NAME – TEAS TRANSCRIPT.**
- The TEAS transcript must be uploaded as part of the application packet during the application period.
- **Even if ATI indicates that your transcript has been sent directly to College of the Redwoods, you must still include a copy of the TEAS transcript with your application.**
- Applications submitted without a TEAS transcript will be considered incomplete.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all required TEAS documentation is included with the application packet by the application deadline.

Additional Information

- Refer to the **College of the Redwoods ATI TEAS Assessment Test Policy** for detailed testing policies, remediation requirements, registration instructions, and test-day information.
- Additional information about the ATI TEAS exam is available on the ATI website under "**What is the ATI TEAS?**"

Questions?

For questions regarding the RN program, admission requirements, TEAS testing, or the application process, please contact HealthOcc@redwoods.edu.

Program Ineligibility

Applicants will be **ineligible for admission** if **any** of the following apply:

1. GPA and Grade Requirements Not Met

- Combined GPA **below 2.5** (no rounding) in all science prerequisite courses.
- Any prerequisite course grade lower than “C”.
- Overall GPA below **2.5**.

2. Missing Official Transcripts

- Failure to submit **all current, official, sealed transcripts** from every college or university attended (except College of the Redwoods) by the application deadline.

3. Unapproved or Unevaluated Coursework

- Prerequisites not completed at a **regionally accredited U.S. college or university**.
- International coursework not formally evaluated by **ACEI** or **IERF**.

4. ATI TEAS Requirements Not Met

- Score below **62%** on the ATI TEAS (Version 7).
- Failure to obtain an approved TEAS Remediation/Retest Approval Form prior to retesting.
- If TEAS was taken more than once **without** an **approved TEAS Remediation Packet** attached to the application, the **first score will be used**.

5. Incomplete or Incorrect Applications

- Missing required forms, documents, or attachments.
- Attachments not properly **formatted as PDF**.
- Attachments not **clearly named** as instructed.
- Failure to follow application instructions.

6. Missed Deadlines or Required Communications

- Failure to meet all stated deadlines.
- Failure to respond to **time-sensitive emails** from the Nursing Program.

7. Student Account Holds

- Any **hold** on your College of the Redwoods student account will stop your application from moving forward.
- To resolve holds, contact the **Business Office** at **707-476-4126** or **Business-Office@redwoods.edu**.

College of the Redwoods LVN/Paramedic to RN Career Mobility Program

Multi-Criteria Point Allocation

1. Academic degree, license or relevant certificate held by applicant.

Points are awarded in ONE of the following categories only.

Maximum Total Points = 10

Degree, License or Certificate	Points	Required Documentation
1a. Bachelor's degree or higher	10	- Official, sealed transcripts from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities, with degree awarded by the application due date. College of the Redwoods transcripts do not need to be submitted. - Transcripts must show degree awarded if points are to be applied in this category. Do not attach unofficial transcripts to application.
1b. Associate degree	8	- Official, sealed transcripts from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities, with degree awarded by the application due date. College of the Redwoods transcripts do not need to be submitted. - Transcripts must show degree awarded if points are to be applied in this category. Do not attach unofficial transcripts to application.
1c. National Certification Examples include but are not limited to: - Certified Wound Care Associate (CWCA), - Certified Hospice and Palliative Licensed Nurse (CHPLN), Certified in Long-Term Care (CLTC), - Certified Hemodialysis Nurse (CHN), - Certified in Infection Control (CIC) - Critical Care Paramedic - Flight Paramedic	6	Proof of Certification

2. Academic Performance: Grade point average in relevant coursework and prerequisite course attempts.

Maximum Total Points = 52

Coursework	Points	Required Documentation
2a. Combined Prerequisite Science GPA: (Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology) ➤ Minimum 2.5 combined GPA required and no less than a "C" in any course (GPA cannot be rounded). ➤ Points are calculated by multiplying the combined GPA by 10: i.e. a combined GPA of 3.64 x 10 = 36.4 pts. ➤ GPA cannot be rounded. Maximum points 2a and 2b = 52	Combined Science GPA of 2.5 or higher x 10 2a. Maximum 40 points	Official, current, sealed transcripts from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities, showing course completion by the due date.
Prerequisite completion first time	Points	Required Documentation
2b. Points awarded for successful completion of prerequisite courses. ➤ 3 points awarded for each of the prerequisite courses completed on the first attempt. ➤ Prerequisites: BIOL 2, BIOL 6, BIOL 7, and ENGL c1000 or equivalent	3 points per course Maximum 12 points	Official, current, sealed transcripts from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities, showing course completion by the due date.

3. Work or volunteer experience.

Maximum Total Points = 7.5

****Form located in application ****

Work or Volunteer Experience	Points	Required Documentation
3a. 200 hours or more work experience in healthcare, within the last 2 years	5 points	• Work Experience in Healthcare Verification Form • All work experience must be submitted on the current form with this application to be considered.
3b. 200 hours or more volunteering- unpaid experience in healthcare or a nonprofit organization, within the last 2 years	2.5 points	• Volunteer Experience in Health Care or a Nonprofit Organization Verification Form. • All volunteer experience must be submitted on the current form to be considered. • Hours volunteered and signed on the September 2026 volunteer form will be accepted if they were completed during the required timeframe (the last two years).

4. Life experiences or special circumstances.

While more than one of the following criteria may apply, only 10 points can be awarded in this category.

Maximum Total points = 10

****Application Supporting Documentation Form located in application required for items 4c, 4e and 4f****

Life Experience or Circumstance	Points	Required Documentation
4a. Disability ** (form required)	2.5	• Current Proof of eligibility for Student Accessibility Supports and Services (SASS) or equivalent program at another institution, or letter from Social Security or your medical provider. Your name must be on document.
4b. Disadvantaged social or educational environment ** (form required)	2.5	• Proof of participation or eligibility for special programs listed on form. Your name must be on document.
4c. First generation to attend college **	2.5	• Completed AND form Admission Supporting Documentation form.
4d. Family income	2.5	• Current Proof of eligibility or receipt of financial aid under a program that may include but is not limited to a fee waiver from the Promise Grant, Cal Grant Program, Federal Pell Grant program, or Cal Works. Your name must be on document.
4e. Need to work - student worked at least part-time while completing RN prerequisite course(s).	2.5	• Short explanation on Admission Supporting Documentation form. One paycheck stub from the semester you worked while enrolled in RN prerequisite course(s), or a letter from your employer verifying employment on official letterhead. Your name must be on document.
4f. Difficult personal or family situation or circumstances	2.5	• Application Form section 4f- Short personal written statement (one paragraph) describing a difficult situation within the past 3 years. Supporting documentation may be requested.
4g. Veteran status	2.5	• Copy of form DD214. Your name must be on document.
4h. Refugee status	2.5	• Documentation or letter from USCIS. Your name must be on document.

5. Proficiency in languages other than English. Applicants may be proficient in more than one additional language but only 2.5 points can be awarded in this category.

Maximum Total Points = 2.5

****Application Supporting Documentation Form located in application required**

Proficiency in languages other than English*	Points	Required Documentation
<i>Credit awarded for languages as identified by the Chancellor's Office, not limited to:</i> ➤ American Sign Language ➤ Arabic ➤ Chinese ➤ Farsi ➤ Russian ➤ Spanish ➤ Tagalog ➤ Languages of Indian Subcontinent & Southeast Asia	2.5	• Complete Application Supporting Documentation Form. • Previous submission from prior application is not acceptable. The form must be updated with each application • Must provide contact information for verifying individual. (Individual signing may not be a relative, co-worker, classmate, or friend.). See form for details. * Coursework does not equate to proficiency. Applicants must have the ability to speak, interpret, and write in the language at a conversational level as well as be able to translate in the healthcare setting. The person verifying language ability may not be a relative or family member. Applicants claiming proficiency may be asked to verify this through assessment testing at College of the Redwoods.

6. Diagnostic assessment tool (ATI TEAS).

Minimum Total Points = 3, Maximum Total Points = 30

Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS)	Points	Required Documentation	
ATI TEAS Assessment Point Allocation: ▪ 62% is the minimum accepted score. ▪ Applicants with an Overall Score between 62% and 65% will receive the minimum score of 3 points in this category. ▪ Applicants with an Overall Score between 93% and 100% will receive the maximum score of 30 points in this category.	Overall Score - 62 = Points Awarded Minimum of 3 points; Maximum of 30 points	• ATI TEAS assessment test transcript (score) • Note: The ATI TEAS (Version 7) is the required version for this application cycle.	
		Overall Score	Total Points in Rubric Category
		62-65	3
		66-67	5
		68-72	7
		73-77	10
		78-82	15
		83-87	20
		88-92	25
		93-100	30

7. Additional points for previous applicants not selected for admission:

Maximum Total points = 8

Previous Eligible Applicant Credit	Points	Required Documentation
7a. An additional 2 points will be awarded to eligible applicants who submitted <i>eligible Career Mobility</i> program applications in the previous cycle and were not admitted. 7b. An additional 5 points will be awarded to eligible applicants who have previously submitted 2 <i>eligible Career Mobility</i> program applications within the last 3 years without being admitted. 7c. 8 points will be awarded to <i>eligible</i> applicants who have previously submitted 3 or more <i>eligible Career Mobility</i> applications within the past 5 years <i>without being admitted</i>. The current application does not count toward these points as eligibility has not yet been determined.	2-8	• Career Mobility application status letters from previous applications. • The current application does not count toward these points as eligibility has not yet been determined. • Applicants must save their eligible alternate pool emails to resubmit in future applications to receive these points. We are unable to save these for you.