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CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS FOR CRITERIA	POINT DISTRIBUTION	REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
1) Previous Academic Degrees from Regionally Accredited program • AA/AS or BA/BS	5	AA/AS or BA/BS or higher = 5 points Foreign Degree equivalent to BS/AS degree = 1 point There is a max of 5 points for this criterion.	Two official hard copy transcripts, or one official electronic transcript from regionally accredited U.S. colleges or universities with degree posted. (For complete transcript instructions, please review criterion 4). *One unofficial transcript will be accepted for degrees posted from College of Sequoias.* **All transcripts from outside the United States must be evaluated by an ECC-approved foreign evaluation service.**

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2) Relevant Diplomas or Certificates • Licensed Vocational Nurse • Paramedic • Psychiatric Technician • Physical Therapist Assistant • Certified Nursing Assistant • Respiratory Therapist • EMT • Radiology Technician • Ultrasound Technician • Medical Military Experience (>1000 hours) • Phlebotomist • Health care related therapists or technicians • Medical Assistant (back office) • Dental Hygienist • Athletic Trainer (>1000 hours)	10	Licensed Vocational Nurse, Psychiatric Technician, Paramedic and Physical Therapist Assistant = 10 points All others = 5 points There is a max of 10 points for this criterion. Only one license/certificate will be calculated in the overall score.	Licensed or certificated healthcare worker requires a copy of the current **California** license/certificate including name, license/certificate number, date of issue and date of expiration. *If applying to the LVN-RN Advanced Placement Program, 2 official transcripts from LVN program attended is required.

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3) Recent work or volunteer experience with <u>direct patient care</u> in relevant jobs (as listed above).	5	5 points for 200 hours or more working in healthcare within the last 2 years of the application deadline. 2.5 points for 200 hours or more volunteering in healthcare within the last two years of the application deadline. There is a max of 5 points for this criterion.	Original letter from current/former employer verifying employment or volunteer status. • The letter must be on organization letterhead with an original signature and must include: Applicant's name, Start date and end date (if applicable), Employee status (full-time/part-time), Number of hours worked per week (or total hours from/to date), Job title and Department, Examples of duties including patient interaction. • Employment/volunteer work must be from a company, not family, friends, or private individuals. • Direct patient care is defined as care provided to person(s), not animals.

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| 4) Grade Point Average in Relevant Course Work: Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology with **a minimum 2.5 GPA required and no less than a "C" in any course**.

Student is allowed one repeat in each science prerequisite. | 40 | Combined Science Prerequisite GPA of 2.5 or higher x 10

For help calculating your BIO GPA, please refer to the video on the Website: https://www.cos.edu/en-us/academics/nursing-allied-health/multicriteria-selection

There is a max of 40 points for this criterion. | One unofficial transcript is required for coursework completed at College of the Sequoias.

For all other institutions official transcripts will be accepted either in a sealed envelope or electronically. For hard copy official transcripts included with your application packet: Applicant is required to provide **TWO** official transcripts **(in original sealed/unopened envelope)** for **any and all** U.S. institutions, regardless of applicability to nursing requirements. If you choose this option you are not required to apply to College of the Sequoias. For submission of official electronic transcripts: Applicant must apply to COS first, before sending an official eTranscript(s). Once applicant is issued a Banner ID, the applicant is required to send ONE official eTranscript for **any and all** U.S. institutions, regardless of applicability to nursing requirements. Be sure you send your eTranscript to College of *the* Sequoias, Admissions and Records Office. You are required to also include copy of the corresponding unofficial transcripts in with your application, and receipt of electronic transfer is strongly recommended in case of the COS not receiving transcripts by the deadline.

Courses completed at other regionally accredited United States colleges or universities must be equivalent to C.O.S. courses. For determination of course equivalency, **official transcripts AND course descriptions/ syllabi for prerequisite courses, if necessary for COS evaluator,** will be required.

All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better and the final grade must be posted on the transcript. Only one repeat is allowed for each science prerequisite.

Failure to submit official transcripts with all grades posted will result in disqualification from the application process. |

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5) Repeated classes in any science prerequisite coursework. Repeats include all grades, NC, No Pass, or "W"	-8	Repeat 1 = no deduction Repeat 2 = -3 points Repeat 3 = -5 points **A possible total of -8 points for this category**	Only **ONE** repeat is permitted for each required biology course. Two official transcripts (in original sealed/unopened envelope) or one official eTranscript for *all* lower and upper division courses completed at **any and all** regionally accredited U.S. institutions, regardless of applicability to nursing requirements will be required. One unofficial transcript will be accepted for courses completed at College of Sequoias. **Please see criterion 4 for transcript requirements.**
6) Approved Diagnostic Assessment Tool, Test of Essential Academic Skills, (TEAS). Minimum score of 62% is required	30	Applicants with an Overall Score between 62.0% and 65.0% will receive the minimum score of 3 points. Applicants with an Overall Score between 92.0% and 100% will receive the maximum score of 30 points. All other applicants will subtract 62 from their Overall Score to calculate points (Example: Overall Score of 70.2% is calculated as follows 70.2 – 62 = 8.2 points)	Only one repeat of ATI TEAS will be allowed. If test is repeated it must be at least 45 days after first attempt. If ATI TEAS taken at College of Sequoias, a printed copy of the ATI TEAS Individual Performance Profile report is required. If ATI TEAS not taken at College of Sequoias, a printed copy of the Individual Performance Profile report and a copy of the transfer receipt or an email verification showing payment for transfer of scores to C.O.S. from www.atitesting.com is required. **Failure to submit required TEAS documents will result in disqualification from the application process.**

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| 7) Life experiences or special circumstances of an Applicant:
• Eligible Veteran/Active Duty or Spouse of Eligible Veteran
• Living in a medically underserved area or population, as designated by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration
• Disabilities
• Low Family Income
• First Generation to Attend College
• Need to Work
• Social or Environmental Disadvantages
• Difficult Personal or Family Situations or Circumstances
• Refugee Status | 7.5 | 7.5 points for Eligible Veteran/Active Duty or Spouse of Eligible Veteran/Active Duty Service Member.

7.5 points for those living in a medically underserved area or population, as designated by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration https://data.hrsa.gov/tools/shortage-area/by-address

Use the website tool (above) to verify a residence is in a Medically Underserved Area/Population (MUA/P). If the address has a green check mark next to MUA/P at the bottom of the page it is a qualifying address. If the address has a red "X" next to MUA/P at the bottom of the page the address does not qualify for these points.

2.5 points for all other verified life experience or special circumstances categories.

There is a max of 7.5 points for this criterion. Only ONE category is applicable. | **Eligible Veteran or Spouse of Eligible Veteran:** Copy of Defense Department Form 214 (DD 214, member 4) Honorable Discharge required. Or, a copy of Active Duty Orders and current/valid military identification.
Living in a Medically Underserved Area: Medically underserved areas are designated by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration, and provide proof of address with a <u>current</u> utility bill.
Disabilities: Proof of <u>current</u> eligibility for Disability Resource Center.
Family Income: Proof of current eligibility or eligibility during prerequisite coursework of financial aid under a program that may include but is not limited to: the California Promise Grant, the CalGrant program, the Federal Pell Grant program, or CalWorks. A FAFSA application is not proof of eligibility; it must be the award letter.
First Generation to Attend College: Provide brief description on application explaining situation or circumstances.
Need to Work: Paycheck stub during period of time enrolled in prerequisite courses or letter from employer (must be on organization check stock or letterhead) verifying employment was at least part-time.
Social or Environmental Disadvantages: <u>Current</u> participation or eligibility for Extended Opportunity Programs & Services (EOPS)
Difficult Personal or Family Situations or Circumstances: Provide brief description on application explaining situation or circumstances. **Refugee Status:** Documentation or letter from United States Citizens and Immigration Service (USCIS) |

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8) Proficiency or advanced level coursework in languages other than English, as identified by Chancellor's Office: American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, (including its various dialects), Farsi, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, the various languages of the Indian sub-continent and Southeast Asia, and the various languages of the African continent.	5	5 points for one language other than English. There is a max of 5 points for this criterion.	<u>Native Speaker:</u> Completed and signed Certificate of Language Proficiency form with a proficient score. **or** <u>Second Language:</u> Official transcripts showing completion of 3 years high school 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 of 3 or higher or appropriate SAT Subject test score in language.
Maximum Points Possible for All Criteria	**102.5**		

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