NURSING PROGRAM/ABSN PREREQUISITES
COLLEGE OF THE DESERT
2025-2026

This is a list of courses approved to satisfy Concordia University's ABSN prerequisite requirements. **Taking prerequisites does not guarantee acceptance into the program** (refer to the website for Admission Requirements). With the exception of NTHL 101 and NTHL 202, students may transfer all required prerequisite units from any regionally accredited institution*. All science classes must also include a laboratory portion and be completed within 5 years of intended admission term.

NOTE: These courses are approved for Concordia University's NURSING PROGRAM/ABSN prerequisites ONLY.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IRVINE	COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS
Chemistry ** (with lab)	CH 1A General Chemistry I or CH 1B General Chemistry II or CH 7 Fundamentals of Chemistry ***(PREFERRED)*** or CH 10A Organic Chemistry I or CH 10B Organic Chemistry II
Human Anatomy** (with lab) or Human Anatomy** (with lab) **AND** Human Physiology** (with lab)	BI 13 Human Anatomy and Physiology I **AND** BI 14 Human Anatomy and Physiology II = Human Anatomy and Human Physiology ***Both required**
Human Physiology** (with lab) or Human Anatomy** (with lab) **AND** Human Physiology** (with lab)	BI 13 Human Anatomy and Physiology I **AND** BI 14 Human Anatomy and Physiology II = Human Anatomy and Human Physiology ***Both required**
Microbiology** (with lab)	BI 15 General Microbiology
Human Nutrition#	HS 13 General Nutrition
Statistics - Mathematics	SOC 3 Fundamentals of Statistics or STAT C1000 Introduction to Statistics
General Psychology	PSYC C1000 Introduction to Psychology
Lifespan Developmental Psychology (birth to death)	PSY 3 Development Psychology
Oral Communication++	COMM 9 Intro to Interpersonal Communication or COMM C1000 Introduction to Public Speaking
Written Communication	ENG 2 Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking through Literature or ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing or ENGL C1000E Academic Reading and Writing or ENGL C1001 Critical Thinking and Writing
Introduction to Sociology or Cultural Anthropology	SOC 1 Introductory Sociology or ANTH 2 Cultural Anthropology
NTHL 101: Foundations of Christian Theology+	Must be completed at CUI
NTHL 202: New Testament+	Must be completed at CUI

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** Coursework will be evaluated for transferability at the time of application.*
*** Must be completed within 5 years of intended admission term.*
 # Must be completed within 7 years of intended admission term.
*+ Must be completed at CUI **after** acceptance to the ABSN program. Offered 100% online.*
++Small Group Communication is not an approved course for Oral Communication.

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