

PLU School of Nursing Health and Clearance Requirements

All Health and Clearance requirements for the School of Nursing are managed through CastleBranch and Clinical Placements Northwest (CPNW) websites. Instructions on setting up your personal accounts on both sites will be provided to you upon your acceptance into the program. Additional forms mentioned below will be available to you through your CastleBranch account. Due dates have been set so that students meet and stay current during your clinical rotations as per our clinical partner requirements.

Due Dates are as follows:

Deadline for Summer: April 15th

Deadline for Fall: July 15th (exception for flu vaccines – due October 1st)

Deadline for Jterm/Spring: November 15th

Health Requirements	What you need to prepare to submit	Additional information
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR)	You will need to supply proof of having received 2 vaccines OR a positive antibody titer for all 3 components (lab report or physician verification of results required.)	One-time requirement
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	You will need to supply proof of having received 2 vaccines OR a positive antibody titer (lab report or physician verification of results required).	One-time requirement
Hepatitis B	You will need to supply proof of 3 vaccines AND a positive antibody titer (lab report or physician verification of results required) OR a positive antibody titer if unable to supply proof of 3 vaccines. If the titer is negative or equivocal, you will need to repeat the series and provide a 2nd titer. If the series is in process, submit where you are in the series.	One-time requirement
TB skin test	<p>One of the following is required: Newly completed 2 step skin test (1-3 weeks between tests) completed within the past 12 months OR negative TB IGRA blood test (lab report or physician verification of results required) OR Previous 2 step skin test along with EACH annual renewal with no lapse in annual testing OR If positive results submit a clear chest x-ray (lab report or physician verification of results required) AND TB Symptom Check completed by your Health Care Provider.</p> <p>If you have a history of receiving a BCG vaccine, please complete the TB IGRA testing for the most accurate results. If this returns positive, please follow the instructions above for a positive result.</p>	<p>Annual updates required (completed within 365 days of prior test). If you go longer than 365 days between tests, you will need to complete 2-step PPD or TB IGRA blood draw to be in compliance with this requirement</p> <p>Annual Symptom check by a Health Care Provider is required if positive</p>

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Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis (Tdap)	You will need to supply proof of a Tdap administered within the past 10 years. This vaccine must have been given after your 11 th birthday.	Booster are required at 10-year intervals
COVID Vaccine	<p>PLU will require all students — undergraduate and graduate — to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 prior to arriving on campus for the fall semester, with case by case exceptions allowed only for medical or religious reasons.</p> <p>More information can be found at https://www.plu.edu/coronavirus/updates/2021/04/27/plu-expands-student-immunization-requirement-to-include-covid-19-vaccine/</p>	Students must upload a copy of their completed vaccines using this link .
Compliance Requirements	What you need to prepare to submit	Additional information
Influenza	You will need to supply proof of a flu shot administered during the current flu season each year. Due dates may fluctuate annually.	Annual update required
CPR Certification	<p>You will need to supply proof of current CPR certification. It must be an American Heart Association Healthcare Provider–BLS course.</p> <p>Courses can be found by going to https://ahainstructornetwork.americanheart.org/AHAecc/classConnector.jsp?pid=ahaecc.classconnector.home&_ga=2.104620039.626352960.1610496543-1651644369.1589996826</p> <p>* PLEASE NOTE– HeartSaver® is not an appropriate course to meet this requirement.</p>	Renewals required before expiration
Health Insurance	You will need to supply the School of Nursing Health Insurance Affidavit (Found on your CastleBranch tracker).	Annual update required
HIV Training	This training is no longer required - the information is now integrated into nursing curriculum.	
E-learning modules	Modules are completed through your individual CPNW.org account.	Annual updates required
Handbook Acknowledgement	Submit the Handbook Acknowledgement. The document is available to download through CastleBranch.	Form name: <i>PLU SoN Handbook Affidavit 2015</i>
Consent to Release Education Records	Please submit the Consent to Release Education Records document. The form is available to download through CastleBranch.	Form name: <i>Release Educational Record</i>

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Disclosure Form	You are required to complete a disclosure form annually. This form is available through the School of Nursing website.	Form Name: <i>PLU SoN Disclosure form</i>
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Student Permission to Receive Materials	Please submit the Student Permission to Receive Materials document. This form is available to download through CastleBranch.	Form name: <i>FERPA Mail Folder Release</i>
Essential Qualifications Affidavit	The Essential Qualifications for Participation in School of Nursing Degree Programs are used to assist the student in determining whether or not s/he meets essential qualifications, or if accommodations or modifications might be necessary for successful completion of the program at the School of Nursing. Students are required to sign a statement of understanding, acknowledgment, and compliance each semester of the nursing program. (Form name: <i>Essential Qualifications Affidavit 2015</i>)	Reminders will be sent to you through "MyCB" with due dates of: 1/20 5/10 8/20 12/20 Note that this is a two-step process in "MyCB."
Drug Screen	You will need to supply proof of a 10-panel drug screening. Instructions on completing this requirement will be provided upon creation of your CastleBranch account.	Required once, upon admission; clinical agencies reserve the right to request a repeat at any time.
National Background Screening	You are required to complete a National Background screening upon admission to the program	One-time requirement
Washington State WATCH Background screening	You are required to complete a WATCH screening upon admission and annually.	Annual update required