FAQs OSF RN-BSN COHORT

- Can I transfer classes from another RN-BSN program?
  - Not likely. A student must earn 30 or more credits from an institution in order to qualify for graduation. Our RN-BSN track is 31 credits.

- How will I know if I am accepted?
  - Once the online application has been submitted and all transcripts are received, the file will be reviewed by the Admissions team. They will the RN of acceptance and any prerequisites left to complete. This will determine when the student may begin the program. The CON will then be in contact with the student for registration and advisement information.

- I have pre-nursing classes left to take. Can I still begin the cohort in August?
  - Yes. We will allow students to take prerequisite courses along with the RN-BSN curriculum.
  - Students take the remaining courses at the college of their choice, may test out of the class (CLEP exam) or take online. Prerequisite classes must be completed before the student would be allowed to graduate.

- I am a new OSF RN. Am I eligible for the tuition assistance program?
  - Yes, Mission Partners who have completed their first 90 days are eligible for the assistance.

- Is there a minimum grade I must get in order to receive the reimbursement?
  - Yes. Students must earn a grade of C or better.
• **What is the portfolio Review?**
  o Students have the option to complete a portfolio at the end of their program, in place of the 8 hour course: 433 Experiences In Clinical Nursing.
  o Details on this option will be discussed with the students on admission. The portfolio is a collection of the RN’s experiences, certifications, honors, and documentation providing evidence that the student has achieved the outcomes for the course.
  o There is a one-time fee of $500 for the portfolio option. As of 5/16/22, this fee is being reviewed by HR for coverage by the tuition reimbursement. The CON advises that it be covered, as it is in place of 8 hours of tuition cost. Wil update as soon as decision is reached.

• **What if I am not able to start in Fall 2022?**
  o The OSF cohort program will continue each semester. We start a new group of students each fall and spring.

• **Does the $5,000 tuition assistance work for any RN-BSN program?**
  o No. Only for the programs offered by SFMC CON and SACN.

• **Is there a deadline to apply and register for the OSF RN-BSN program?**
  o No. We do rolling admissions, but have a limited number of students for each cohort so it is in the students’ best interest to apply early. All application materials and the enrollment form should be submitted ASAP.

• **Who can I contact at the College of Nursing for more details?**
  o SFMC CON recruiter, Annie Schmitt 309-655-3274