

**\*\*Know that these are simply recommendations. Some hospitals would prefer that you have the certifications beforehand while others incorporate them as part of your orientation\*\***

#### OB/NICU:

- Maternal and Newborn Nursing Care Course (MNNC Course) through the San Diego Regional Care System, UCSD Extension (recommended for OB/NICU nursing in San Diego)
  - 6 week course (2 days/week) offered January and July each year; \$700 for the course
  - <http://rps.quexion.net/RPSContinuingEducationCourses.aspx>
- Neonatal Resuscitation Program Certification (NRP Certification)
  - Recommended training center: Nurses Educational Opportunities ~\$140  
<https://nursesed.net/>
- Get involved in the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN) <http://www.awhonn.org/>
- Get involved in the National Association of Neonatal Nurses (NANN) <http://nann.org/>

#### Pediatric Nursing:

- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Certification ~\$190  
<https://nursesed.net/aha-pals/>
- Get involved in the Society of Pediatric Nurses <http://www.pedsnurses.org/>

#### Critical Care Nursing:

- Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) Certification
  - Often offered alongside the BLS for Healthcare Provider's Certification for a discounted price  
<https://nursesed.net/aha-pals/>
- Get involved in the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN)  
<https://www.aacn.org/>

#### Emergency Nursing:

- Join the Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) <https://www.ena.org/>

#### Graduation Preparation:

- Graduation Application Fee: \$55
- Pinning Ceremony Fee: \$50
- Nursing Pin: ~\$30 for the cheapest option
- Graduation Cap & Gown, tassel & stole: ~\$105

- NCLEX Fee: ~\$500 (a portion goes to the BRN and the rest pays for the test)

#### Extra NCLEX Study:

- U-World (~\$100/month) [http://uworld.com/NCLEX/nclex\\_rn\\_home.aspx](http://uworld.com/NCLEX/nclex_rn_home.aspx)
- Hurst <https://www.hurstreview.com/nclex-rn>

#### Interview Prep:

- Practice interviews at [www.newgradnursehelp.com](http://www.newgradnursehelp.com)

#### Sigma Theta Tau International, Gamma Gamma Chapter:

-Membership Fee: ~\$100

-Students will be invited to join in the fall semester of their senior year, if they meet the 3.5 major GPA requirement. Click the link below to access the SDSU STTI gamma gamma chapter website:

<http://gammagamma.nursingsociety.org/aboutus/howtojoin>

-Gamma Gamma Chapter Meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month from 5-7 pm.

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