All prospective students who are offered a position in the Cabrillo College Nursing Program may:

A. Accept the position in the program OR
B. Request a one-time deferral in keeping with the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

Students are offered the opportunity to defer their entry into the Nursing Program by agreeing to have their wait list # increased by 200. For example, if you are # 25 when you request the deferral, your new number will be #225. It is impossible to determine how much time this will add to your wait time.

Students who are granted a deferral option will not be offered another opportunity to defer their entry to the program.

All wait listed students wishing to request a deferral must submit their request in writing by email or postal mail to the Nursing Program office. The request must detail the reason for the deferral. The Cabrillo Nursing Program deferral policy follows the guidelines set by the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Please include a physician’s note to verify the medical necessity of the requested deferral.

- for the birth and care of the newborn child of the prospective student;
- for placement with the prospective student of a child for adoption or foster care;
- to care for an immediate family member (spouse, child, or parent) with a serious health condition; or
- to take medical leave when the prospective student is unable to attend the program because of a serious health condition.

Students requesting deferrals will be notified of their deferral status in writing.