

Checklist: Immunizations and Documentation Requirements for UT Tyler Nursing Students

Definition of a titer: An antibody titer is a blood test that measures the number of antibodies in your blood. This determines if you have immunity to the disease. Titer results must be IgG (not IgM) and include the reference range as well as your results.

Note: the only vaccine that “requires” a titer is Hepatitis B (ask for the “Hepatitis B Surface Antibody” titer also called HBsAb or anti-HB). Titers are optional for MMR and Varicella if you have no immunization records. For general questions, contact Jennifer Reed jenniferreed@uttyler.edu

There is no time limit on how recently the vaccines must have been administered. Proof of completion of the vaccine series as a child is adequate.

 1. Hepatitis B (Hep B) **Alert** This requirement can take 7 months to meet. Start early!	Positive titer required. If results are negative/equivocal, additional dose(s) of vaccine required. Choose either 2-dose series Heplisav-B (1 month apart) OR 3-dose series Engerix-B or Recombivax HB (6 months for series). Repeat titer 1 month after last dose. Optional: check titer 1 month after 1 st dose. See QR code for details. Note: Heplisav-B 2-dose series is <u>highly</u> recommended (available at on-campus clinic and certain pharmacies)
 2. MMR (Measles, Mumps, & Rubella)	Two (2) doses of vaccine (at least 1 month apart) OR Positive IgG titers for all 3 components
 3. Varicella (Chicken Pox)	Two (2) doses of vaccine (at least 1 month apart) OR Positive IgG titer OR documented history of varicella or herpes zoster.
 4. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, & Pertussis)	A Tdap vaccine administered within the past 10 years OR a Tdap vaccine administered within your lifetime AND a Tetanus and Diphtheria (Td) booster administered in the past 10 years.
 5. COVID 19	Complete an ‘intital dosing’ of the COVID 19 vaccine OR COVID-19 Vaccine Waiver/Declination found on the School of Nursing (SON) policy website . Note: no additional boosters required.
 6. Influenza (Flu)	Flu vaccine OR Exemption is required each flu season . Vaccine is waived if starting in Summer or Fall outside of flu season. Exemption and Waiver forms found on the SON policy website . Required annually before September 30.
Wait till accepted, conditionally accepted, or waitlisted to the nursing program to complete the requirements below	
 7. Basic Life Support (BLS)	Students will complete a BLS course as part of a Level 1 course. Therefore, you will initially complete a BLS Temporary Waiver form . Upon completion of BLS in Level 1, you will be due to renew every 2 years thereafter.
 8. Tuberculosis (Tb) Screening (Note: obtain before or same day as any vaccines otherwise must wait 1 month after vaccine to do Tb test)	<u>Two</u> negative Tb skin test (injection with results read 48-72 hrs later) completed at least 1 week and no more than 12 months apart, OR a <u>single</u> negative blood assay test. International students with BCG vaccination, select the blood assay test. <i>Note: thereafter, the annual requirement is a single negative Tb skin test or blood assay. For prior or new positive results, email jmiles@uttyler.edu.</i>
 9. Student Guide	1) Review guide located at the top of the SON policy website 2) Print and sign the UG Acceptance Affirmation Form located on the SON policy website under Appendices/Forms as item 9.7
 10. Drug Screening	Negative drug screening. Instructions will be available in CastleBranch within 24 hrs of order placement. If you have to reapply to nursing school, you must repeat this each application cycle.
 11. Board of Nursing Blue Card	Texas Board of Nursing (BON) Blue Card or declaratory letter confirming criminal background check completed.

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