Adult/Geriatric Nurse Practitioner

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OUR VISION
To be the premier university-based professional nursing program.

OUR MISSION
The CSULB School of Nursing is a student-centered program whose mission is to educate undergraduate and graduate students to become quality professionals for entry into practice in diverse community settings.

Why should I become an Adult/Geriatric NP?
- To provide a unique blend of nursing and medical care to adult and geriatric patients and their families.
- To meet the health care needs of a growing older adult population and other underserved groups.
- To provide health care to a variety of locations: urban, suburban, and rural.
- To provide high quality health care services in an advanced practice role in a variety of settings, including clinics, urgent care, emergency rooms, with physician groups and in private practice, in nursing homes and assisted living, colleges, public health departments, and sub-specialty areas such as oncology, sports medicine, and more.
- To treat simple acute and stable chronic illnesses including disease prevention and health promotion through diagnosis, medical management, nursing therapies, counseling, and case management.

Why should I choose CSULB?
1. You will benefit from over 30 years of expertise in nurse practitioner education.
2. You will be taught by faculty who have national certification in the field.
3. The program is fully accredited by the State of California and the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education.
4. Upon graduation you are eligible to sit for both the adult and gerontological nurse practitioner national certification examinations.
5. Classes are usually offered one day per week.
6. You can attend part time or full time.
7. The majority of classes are face-to-face and provide for student-faculty collegial interaction.
8. Post masters students are welcome and can obtain an adult/geriatric nurse practitioner certificate to add to an existing degree.

Admission Requirements
1. Bachelor of Science in Nursing preferred. Other health-related degrees will be considered.
2. Current RN License or eligibility to practice nursing in California.
3. Grade point average of 3.00 or better in units of the Bachelor’s degree. Applicants with GPA below 3.00 will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
4. Upper division course in community health nursing with a laboratory (usually completed in BSN).
5. College level statistics course.
6. College level course in pathophysiology.
7. Physical assessment course including a clinical laboratory component within the past 5 years. Can challenge undergraduate assessment class based upon availability of spots.

How do I apply?
1. Apply for University admission online at www.csumentor.edu or call (562) 985-5471 for information.
2. Apply to the Graduate Nursing Program at www.csulb.edu/depts/nursing/or call (562) 985-8379. Include or send a set of official transcripts of all college work to the University Graduate Admissions Office. Please Check the Website for Current Application Deadlines.

Additional Information
Monthly information sessions are offered in the School of Nursing during Fall and Spring Semesters; please call Graduate Office for dates.

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Concurrent Programs
Nurses with Master’s degree in Nursing may complete 32 hours of course work to obtain a certificate as a nurse practitioner in California.
You may also add additional course work in nursing education.

The Curriculum
Core Courses
- N510 Advanced Pathophysiology (2 units)
- N520 Advanced Pharmacology (3 units)
- N530/N530L Adv. Physical Assessment (3 units)
- N540 Health Care Economics (2 units)
- N550 Human Diversity (2 units)
- N560 Theory and Professional Roles (2 units)
- N596 Nursing Research (3 units)

Specialty Courses
- N630 Adult/Geriatric Theory I (3 units)
- N630 A/B Adult/Geriatric Clinical I & II (6 units)
- N631 Adult/Geriatric Theory II (3 units)
- N631 A/B Adult/Gero Clinical III & IV (6 units)

Culminating Event Course (choose one)
- N695 Comprehensive Exam (3 units)
- N692 Directed Project (4 units)
- N698 Thesis (4 units)