

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

POLICY STATEMENT

NUMBER: 77-15

FILE: Certificate

SUBJECT: Certificate As A Nurse Practitioner

The following policy statement, recommended by the Academic Senate at its meeting of March 10, 1977, and approved by the President on March 29, 1977, is as follows:

The certificate program *consists of a* one year course of study for the preparation of nurse practitioners. The component courses, which are offered *in* cooperation with California College of Medicine, University of California, Irvine, focus upon the assessment and management of common illnesses. The program includes integrated classroom and clinical experiences.

All practitioner students take the same academic courses but complete their clinical requirements in a variety of ambulatory care settings. Thus, they are prepared as pediatric nurse practitioners, geriatric nurse practitioners, family nurse practitioners, adult nurse practitioners or mental health nurse practitioners. The certificate will designate the students' clinical experience setting. Admission to the program is by application to the Department of Nursing.

Prerequisites for the Certificate Program

1. Possession of a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing.
2. Current license to practice nursing in California.
3. Grade point average of 3.0 or better in upper division nursing courses, basic science courses, and overall performance.
4. Successful completion of upper division or graduate courses in statistics and pathophysiology; a physical assessment course, including clinical practice; and an upper division course in community health nursing.

Requirements for the Certificate as Nurse Practitioner

1. Completion of the following twenty-one (21) units: Nursing 660A and B, N680A and B, N680L (2 semesters).

Effective: Immediately

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