



Department of Nursing

APPLICATION for Fall 2012 Post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate

SSU's Post-Master's FNP Certificate program is offered on-campus at Sonoma State University and collaborates with two distance sites – Chico State University and CSU Stanislaus. This is a 4 semester program. Fees are approximately \$18,000 for the entire program approximately \$500/unit. Courses are on-line using a variety of modalities and students may have to attend seminars at their local site and **may** need to come to Sonoma 3 – 4 times during a semester. Clinical preceptorships are conducted in the student's local community with oversight from a local faculty member. The majority of the programs' coursework is web-based and students need to be comfortable in using a computer and the internet.

To qualify for the post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate program, you must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Master of Science in Nursing*
- R.N., licensed in California (must complete clinical coursework in California)
- Two years' experience as an R.N. preferred (we will consider other life experiences in healthcare & service.)
- Overall Grade Point Average of 3.0 in graduate program coursework

*If you are an RN with a Master's in an area other than Nursing, please contact the FNP Director to determine your qualification for the program (please email Dr. Wendy Smith at wendy.smith@sonoma.edu (email only)).

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Postmarked Jan 31, 2012

Any Extensions to the deadline will be posted on the Nursing website, www.sonoma.edu/nursing

A complete supplemental application (materials enclosed) for the FNP Certificate program consists of:

1. Application form
2. 3 Recommendations (submit with application in sealed envelopes)
3. Paragraph and Essay
4. Official transcripts of your Master's, baccalaureate and RN programs
5. Current copy of your RN license
6. \$55.00 non-refundable application fee, made payable to SSU

Submit complete application to: Sonoma State University
Nursing Department, Nichols 256
1801 E. Cotati Ave.
Rohnert Park, CA 94928

**An incomplete application cannot be considered
Application fees are non-refundable**

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**Sonoma State University, Department of Nursing
Post-Master's FNP Certificate Application - Fall, 2012**

SITE: Full time 4 semester progression only available on the SSU campus (SSU)

Please note if you are applying for Fall 2012 you must attend the following - no exceptions
Mandatory Orientation will be held on June 5th from 9 – 5pm

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____, _____

If you live in California, list County of residence: _____

Telephone: _____ (Home) _____ (Cell)

E-Mail: _____

(Note: all correspondence, including admission decision, will be sent to this e-mail)

LICENSURE

California RN License # _____ Expires: _____ **Attach a copy of your license**

I certify that my license is current and clear: _____

Signature

EDUCATION (begin at Bachelor's or Nursing education, whichever came first) **ATTACH OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**

School	All Institutions Location		From		To		# of Units completed		Degree Recvd	Date (to be) Recvd		
			Mo	Yr	Mo	Yr	Sem	Qtr			Mo	Yr

Other name(s) that may appear on your academic records: _____

Are you eligible to re-enroll at all institutions previously attended? Yes No (attach explanation)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

You may omit employment not relevant to your academic goal. Indicate present employer, if now employed.

<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Employer</i>	<i>Job Title & Duties</i>

Please be aware that in a full time progression working more than 24 hours a week has shown to be detrimental to academic performance and program progression.

CERTIFICATION To be read and signed by all applicants to certify the accuracy of the information provided

I certify under penalty of perjury, or after first being duly sworn, that I have provided complete and accurate responses to the items on this application. I further certify (swear) all official documents submitted in support of this application are authentic and unaltered records that pertain to me. I authorize release of any information submitted by me in connection with my application to any person, firm, corporation, association or government agency, but only to verify or explain the information, obtain pertinent records, or in connection with perjury proceedings. My signature certifies the accuracy and completeness of the information provided. I understand that any misrepresentation may be cause for denial or cancellation of admission. I am aware of the mandatory dates and understand the commitment.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

POST MASTERS CERTIFICATE PARAGRAPH AND ESSAY CRITERIA:

PARAGRAPH (TYPED ATTACH)
 Explain, briefly, why you believe you have the qualifications for admission to the FNP Post MSN Certificate program the mission of which is to meet the needs of underserved populations and areas. Include anything you believe is important to Post MSN FNP role such as your previous life experience, your nursing career goals, your beliefs about health care, etc.

ATTACH A ONE-PAGE, TYPED ESSAY
 Describe your immediate and long-term goals related specifically to the FNP Post MSN Certificate role and meeting the needs of underserved populations in your career as an FNP.

SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY
RECOMMENDATION (Need 3)
Post-Master's FNP Certificate Program
(Place in sealed envelope and return to applicant for submission)

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

The above applicant is applying to the **Post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate** program at Sonoma State University. We would appreciate your assessment of this applicant's suitability for entering this level nursing program.

	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Excellent
Adaptability	1	2	3	4
Motivation	1	2	3	4
Ability to express ideas verbally and in writing	1	2	3	4
Problem solving ability	1	2	3	4
Responsibility for own actions	1	2	3	4
Interest in others	1	2	3	4
Leadership skills	1	2	3	4
Goal oriented	1	2	3	4
Sensitivity to others	1	2	3	4
Maturity	1	2	3	4
Clinical Competence	1	2	3	4

Please summarize your recommendation of this applicant:

_____ Do not recommend _____ Hesitate to recommend _____ Recommend _____ Highly Recommend

Signature

Date

Print Name

Phone

Title

Capacity in which you have known this applicant: _____

If you wish this information to be regarded as confidential, please check here _____

If you would like to provide additional comments, please use the space below.

Thank you for providing us with this information. Please return this form to the applicant in a sealed envelope.

A complete application consists of:

1. Application form
2. Paragraph and Essay (See criteria on page 3)
3. 3 Recommendations (See form attached page 4) submit with application in sealed envelopes)
4. Copy of RN license
5. Non-refundable application fee, made payable to SSU (\$55.00)
6. Official transcripts of your MSN, BSN and RN programs attached in sealed envelopes

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If you wish to apply for financial assistance, contact the Financial Aid Office at 707/664-2389 for an application form

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The following information will not be considered in the application process. It is gathered for the purpose of responding to progress reports and submission of grant proposals. Your cooperation in completing this information is appreciated.

Do you have a physical, perceptual, psychological or learning disability? Yes No
 Special services may be available to accommodate your disability. Please contact Disability Services to be registered prior to classes beginning <http://www.sonoma.edu/dss/>

Do you have characteristics which incline you to practice in medically underserved areas or with medically underserved populations (e.g., you are a minority group member, bilingual, bi-cultural, rural background, etc.)? Yes No

Please describe: _____

CITIZENSHIP, GENDER, AGE
 Birthdate: ____ / ____ / ____ Gender: M F
 Citizenship: _____ US Citizen or Resident Alien _____ on Foreign Student visa

ETHNICITY: Please indentify:

_____ American Indian/Alaska Native

_____ Asian **underrepresented:** I am _____* (This category includes applicants who identify with **other than one of the following:** Chinese, Phillipino, Japanese, Korean, Asian Indian or Thai)

_____ Asian **not** underrepresented *Please circle Chinese, Phillipino, Japanese, Korean, Asian Indian or Thai

_____ Black Non-Hispanic: I am _____

_____ Hawaiian/Pac Is

_____ Hispanic/Latino

_____ White Non-Hispanic

IF you identify with more than one of the above please list: _____

If you identify with **Other** than above please list: _____
 (please list)

Please list language/s you speak in addition to English: _____



Curriculum Progression: ATTENTION PLEASE KEEP THIS DESCRIPTION & BRING TO THE ORIENTATION indicated in your application

Proposed Post MSN Certificate Curriculum beginning Fall 2012

Fall Semester I

N509 Advanced Health Assessment (4) Lab/Clinical

N549 Health Promotion Practice in Primary Care (3) Clinical

N501 Health Promotion Theory Righting Disparities (4)

TOTAL 11 units

Spring Semester II

N540A Pathophysiologic Concepts in Primary Care I (3)

N552 Pharmacology in Primary Care (3)

N550A Clinical Practice in Primary Care I (4) Clinical

TOTAL 10 units

Fall Semester III

N540B Pathophysiologic Concepts in Primary Care II (3)

N550B Clinical Practice in Primary Care II (4) Clinical

TOTAL 8 units

Spring Semester IV

N562 Advanced Practice in Primary Care Systems (4)

N550C Clinical Practice in Primary Care III (4) Clinical

TOTAL 14 units

DEGREE TOTAL 36

After the orientation, where I will have had the above explained to me, I understand what my curriculum progression and course flow will be as a student in the FNP CERT program.

Please sign

date