

**Master of Science (MS) in Nursing**  
**Advanced Practice Nursing (APN) of Adults and the Elderly Concentration**  
**Specialization in Acute/Critical Care Nursing\***  
**(Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) and Nurse Educator (NE) Preparation)**

**3-Year Program of Study**

All graduates meet requirements for clinical nurse specialist (CNS) certification in California and are eligible to sit for national CNS certification in acute/critical care or medical surgical (adult health) nursing. Requirements include a minimum of **500 clinical hours** during the program.

<b><u>FALL, 2007</u></b>		<i>Units</i>
NURS 604A	Theoretical & Research Bases of Nursing I	3
NURS 684	Information Systems for Nursing	3
<b><u>SPRING, 2008</u></b>		
NURS 604B	Theoretical & Research Bases of Nursing II	3
NURS 644	Program and Curriculum Development in Nursing Education	3
<b><u>SUMMER, 2008</u></b>		
NURS 500	Advanced Health Assessment & Health Promotion	4
<b><u>FALL, 2008</u></b>		
NURS 610	Pathophysiology in Adults & Elderly	3
NURS 658	Clinical Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nursing	3
NURS 645	Teaching and Learning in Nursing	3
<b><u>SPRING, 2009</u></b>		
NURS 646	Nursing Education Practicum (9 hrs/wk)	3
NURS 751	APN: Acute/Critical Care Theory & Technology	3
NURS 753	APN: Acute/Critical Care Practicum (9 hrs/wk)	3
<b><u>FALL, 2009</u></b>		
NURS 622	Quality Improvement & Program Evaluation	3
799A	Thesis or NURS 798, Comprehensive Exam (Plan B)	3
<b><u>SPRING, 2010</u></b>		
NURS 608	Nursing in the Healthcare System	3
NURS 753	APN: Acute/Critical Care Practicum (9 hrs/wk)	3
		<i>Total Units 46</i>

\*Courses must be taken as prescribed to ensure program completion in three academic years. Students seeking admission to the CNS-NE specialization for Fall 07 should apply to the Nursing Education Concentration-adult. Students accepted to the CNS-NE curriculum will be switched to the APN Concentration after the program is listed in the catalog. The CNS-NE program has been approved by the University. Please consult with our graduate advisor Dr. Charlie Nicodemus, sonugadvisor@mail.sdsu.edu.

**Application deadline is August 1, 2007**