**Frequently Asked Questions**

1. **Who can apply to graduate certificate programs?**

RNs who have either a BSN or MSN degree from an accredited university. Students completing the certificate would be those who are or plan to teach in a nursing program or hospital-based education department.

1. **What are the requirements for admission into the program?**

* BSN or MSN completed from an accredited university.
* A current California RN license.
* Minimum one year working as an RN.
* A resume/CV.
* International Students: Proficiency in spoken and written English with the following minimum TOEFL scores: 550 for paper-based examination, 80 on Internet-based examination.

1. **How long does it take to complete a certificate?**

The four required courses will run over two semesters and will take nine months to complete.

1. **Does this Certificate meet the requirements to sit for the National Nursing Education Certificate?**

This certification will not meet the NLN requirements to sit for this examination.

1. **How will the courses be offered?**

Most of the program will be online, asynchronous, and self-paced; however, students will be required to complete teaching practicum hours (135 hours) in a face-to-face and synchronous, online environment.

1. **Am I eligible for financial aid?**

Yes, students in this program do qualify for financial aid.

1. **What courses are included in the certificate?**

* NURS 5200 Teaching and Learning in Nursing – Session 1 (8 weeks)
* NURS 5210 Curricula, Design, and Evaluation – Session 2 (8 weeks)
* NURS 5220 Education Seminar – Session 3 (15 weeks)
* NURS 5230 Education Practicum – Session 3 (15 weeks)

1. **How do I apply for this certificate program?**

Applicants will need to apply to the Graduate School using the following link: <https://www.csustan.edu/grad/how-apply>

In addition, applicants will need to apply to the School of Nursing by completing the: **Master’s Application and the Statistical Data form**.

**RETURN APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTS** **TO:**

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