

RN Self-Support Advising Memo November 2011
For Summer 2011 Cohort

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Bookmark the RN-BSN website for the most updated announcements:
<http://www.csuchico.edu/nurs/current/index.shtml>

The schedule for upcoming January intersession and Spring classes is described in this memo. You can enroll directly for the classes you believe you are eligible to take, **through RCE**. We cannot guarantee class availability for more than 30 students in any course. If course enrollments are less than 10, a class may be canceled. Students who do not follow their advising plan, or who request a course out of sequence will be accommodated only if space is available.

See registration instructions on the RCE website <http://rce.csuchico.edu/>

Fees must be paid by prior to classes starting in January 2012 for Intersession and Spring. If you don't pay fees on time, you are automatically disenrolled from classes.

Open registration for Intersession and Spring is now.

JANUARY 2012 INTERSESSION CLASS SCHEDULE:

SPAN 354 Chicano Literature (3 units) – your upper division GE theme course

Instructor: Sara Cooper – scooper@csuchico.edu

No orientation on campus

Textbooks:

Manuel de Jesus Hernandez-Gutierrez and David William Foster, eds. *Literatura chicana 1965-1995: An Anthology in Spanish, English, and Calo*. New York: Garland Publishing, 1997. ISBN 0-8153-2080-9 (Purchase online or through the AS Bookstore)

Nina Marie Martinez' *Caramba!: A Tale Told in Turns of the Card* (paperback). New York: Anchor Books (A Division of Random House), 2004. ISBN 0-385-72152-8 (Purchase online or through the AS Bookstore)

Antonio Arreguín-Bermúdez *Burnt Honey*. MADE AVAILABLE ONLINE—NO NEED TO PURCHASE.

NOTE: THE NOVEL *BURNT HONEY* CONTAINS VULGARITY AND EXPLICIT DESCRIPTIONS OF BIZARRE SEXUAL CONDUCT. IF YOU WISH AN ALTERNATE READING ASSIGNMENT, PLEASE PURCHASE THE NOVEL *And the Earth Did Not Swallow Him* by TOMAS RIVERA. (You should be able to find it online.) It is much older and dated, and takes place in Texas rather than California, and you will not have access to the author. However,

it is still an excellent work of Chicano literature.

SPRING CLASS SCHEDULE:

NURS 422W Leadership/Management & Professional Issues in Nursing (3 units)

Instructor: Jenny Lillibridge – jlillibridge@csuchico.edu

Mandatory orientation

Textbooks:

Finkelman, A. (2012). *Leadership and management for nurses: Core competencies for quality care*. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.

Huston, C.J. (2010). *Professional issues in nursing: Challenges & opportunities* (2nd ed.). Philadelphia: PA: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.

NURS 309P e-Portfolio (8 units)

Instructor: Jenny Lillibridge – jlillibridge@csuchico.edu

Mandatory Orientation – with N422W

Textbook: none required

NURS 495W Advanced Concepts: Pathophysiology & Theory (4 units)

Instructor: TBD

Textbook: TBD

WHAT IF YOU CAN'T COMPLETE A COURSE?

- **Dropping a course.** If you decide you cannot meet the course requirements, you may choose to drop a course. You must file a *change of program* form, signed by the instructor. The form is available online. If you meet certain deadlines, partial fee refunds may be available. Drops after the fourth week of classes require approval of the director and the dean. Courses may not be dropped during finals week. If you do not formally drop a course and do not complete course requirements, you will receive an 'F' for the course.
- **Incompletes.** If you have done most of the work for a course, but *serious and compelling* reasons will prevent you from meeting the deadlines for finishing the course requirements, you should explain your circumstances to the instructor and request an 'incomplete'. You may be asked to provide verification of the circumstances. If the instructor agrees to the incomplete, you will sign a contract specifying the work that needs to be completed, and a date for completion. You will have one year to remove the incomplete, after which time it will become an 'F' on your transcript. You may not register for other nursing courses until the incomplete is cleared.
- **Taking a leave.** If you were admitted to the university and enrolled, then decide to take a semester off, you should apply to the university to take a Planned Educational Leave (PEL). This formal leave process will avoid

having to reapply to the university when you are ready to return. Forms are available at: <http://em.csuchico.edu/sro/forms.asp>

FILING FOR GRADUATION

Please remember that you must file one year in advance for graduation. You must file in order to get an advanced degree audit from evaluations, so you know if you will have all the courses you need to meet degree requirements.

Filing deadlines: December 15, 2010 for graduation in December 2011
 May 15, 2011 for graduation in May 2012

To file for graduation, contact Julie in the nursing office and she will prepare the major clearance form for you only if you are a second degree student. This must be done well before the deadline for filing. There is a graduation application fee of \$28. There is a \$10 fee for late filing.

Graduation and Pinning Ceremonies

Once you complete our program, you are entitled to purchase the CSU nursing pin if you wish. See Julie in the nursing office to order jgarnett@csuchico.edu . If you graduate in December or May, you may participate in the pinning ceremony with the on-campus students. This is usually a very nice ceremony for families to attend. The pinning is held on the last Friday of finals week, at 4 pm. Please notify the Nursing office early in the semester if you plan to attend. Regardless of whether you choose to participate in the pinning ceremony or not, you may purchase the pin.

Walking at the university graduation ceremony in May is an option if you graduated the preceding December, or if you have filed for spring graduation. Filing for graduation (see above) must be done almost a year in advance, though if you've missed the deadline, you may be able to file late with an added fee. Once you've filed, you will receive information from the university about how to order the academic caps and gowns, etc. You may check the following university website for more details:
http://www.csuchico.edu/alm/grad_hand.html

Upper Division Theme Exceptions for Nursing Majors

Nursing majors only have to take **two** upper division theme courses, not three. Because you are in a self-support program you all must take the same theme at the same time so the RN-BSN Advisor has chosen the themes for you. The theme classes chosen also meet the diversity requirement for graduation. **Your second theme will be taken in January 2012 intersession and will be SPAN 354.**

Coastline Community College Courses

- The organic chemistry requirement can be met by taking Chem. 110 (online course) at Coastline Community College. This is a 4 unit online course with no required meetings on campus (offered as both an 8 and 16 week course).
- Coastline also offers a 3 unit critical thinking/logic course offered as Philosophy 115. This course meets the Area A3 requirement for CSU, Chico admission.
- Political Science 100 fulfills the American government requirement and History 175 fulfills the U.S. History requirement.

- Coastline also offers math courses, sociology, foreign languages, and occasionally- a human growth and development course as well as a nutrition course.
- Check with Academic Advising at 530-898-5712 if you have any questions about which Coastline courses meet CSU, Chico transfer requirements.

See the current Coastline Community College catalog at <http://dl.ccc.cccd.edu> or call 714-241-6216 to have a catalog sent to you.

Shasta Community College offers an online chemistry course (CHEM 26) each spring. Information is at:

<http://www3.shastacollege.edu/chemistry/Cgottlieb/index.html>

Checking transferability of courses: You can see if courses from California community colleges are transferable to CSU, Chico by using the online ASSIST program at <http://www.assist.org>

While not expected during your 15 month program, if any increase in fees occurs during these difficult budget times, we will provide you with at least six months' notice of the increase. We will work with you to keep you on track, but some budget issues are out of our control.

Required Nursing Support Courses: (May be taken anytime, but must be complete before NURS 308P)

Intro. Soc. OR Cult. Anthro.
Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology
Organic or Biochemistry Chemistry (prior to N495W)
Nutrition
Child or Human development

General Education Requirements not already met by nursing requirements

Critical Thinking (Required for CSU admission)
GE Math beyond intermediate algebra; we recommend Statistics; (Required for CSU admission)
US History
American government

Electives as needed to attain 120 units total

Be sure to check your transfer credit evaluation and your degree progress reports online through the portal, to make sure what you still need for degree completion. One year before you plan to graduate, you should apply for graduation. A major clearance form is required only if you are a second degree student. Filing for graduation triggers Evaluations to complete a degree audit for you, so you know exactly what courses are still needed to graduate.

**MAJOR ACADEMIC PLAN (MAP) CSUC RN-BSN SELF SUPPORT
SCHOOL OF NURSING
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Summer 2011	Units	Fall 2011	Units	Intersession January 2012	Units	Spring 2012	Units	Summer 2012	Units
N307P Portfolio I	6	NURS 300W	4	SPAN 354 (USD)	3	NURS 495W	4	N464	3
RELS 332 (GC)	3	NURS 342W	3			NURS 422W	3	N475W	3
N301 e-Portfolio Development	2	N308P Portfolio II	8			N309P Portfolio III	8		
TOTAL UNITS	11		15		3		15		6