

CSU, CHICO – SCHOOL OF NURSING

Course Information – Semester 5 Fall 2026

Fall semester classes begin on **Monday, August 24th, 2026**. Faculty will use Canvas and Wildcat email to communicate with students regarding orientation and other class information.

*All clinical requirements must be submitted to SentryMD by **MAY 11th, 2026**. Students who do not submit their clinical requirements by the semester deadline will have a **10% (professionalism) grade deduction** in the final grade for each of their clinical courses for the Fall 2026 semester. Please monitor your Chico State student email DAILY for updates, instructions, and any further requirements.*

Register for the following courses:

1. NURS 422W Leadership / Management and Professional Issues in Nursing

NURS 422w is a leadership course. The course syllabus will be available in Canvas when the semester begins. Faculty will post objectives, reading, schedule, and assignments by course module via Canvas Check Canvas regularly for announcements.

TEXTBOOK/MATERIALS:

Complete the Clifton Strengths Assessment: Top 5 Strengths. Cost \$24.99.

<https://www.gallupstrengthscenter.com/Purchase/en-US/Product>

Huston, C.J. (2020). Professional issues in nursing: Challenges & opportunities (5th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Wolters Kluwer 1451128338

Also used in N300W/also used in NURS 427 if you've taken this course)

Marquis, B. L. & Huston, C. J. (2021). Leadership roles and management functions in nursing (10th ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Wolters Kluwer. (Also used in NURS 427 if you've taken this course)

Publication manual of the American Psychological Association (7th ed.) (2020).

2. NURS 424 Practicum in Patient Care Management

This hospital clinical is your preceptor course which you will schedule your clinical time around your preceptor's work schedule and public health clinical days. Clinical typically starts in week 4 and after hospital orientations. Orientations are scheduled by the site (not the SON) therefore, please keep Monday-Friday free for your first weeks of school. Orientation times will be communicated to you by your clinical faculty as soon as possible.

TEXTBOOK: none

Clinical Sites: Oroville Hospital, Adventist Health Rideout, Enloe Health, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, and Clearlake Hospital.

Special dates:

Class orientation (all sections): Friday, August 28th – **time and location TBD**

Enloe Health Skills Day (Enloe section only):

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 – 0800-1000 @ Enloe Conference Center

Comp Predictor Test: Friday, November 13th - **time and location TBD**

3. NURS 474 Practicum in Community Health Nursing

This clinical is your public health course which you will schedule your clinical time with your assigned clinical site which may include schools, public health departments, clinics, community agencies, etc. Clinical typically starts in week 3 after students have completed assigned onboarding tasks specific to their site, please keep Wednesday and Thursdays free for your first weeks of school for clinical site orientations. Additional clinical experiences will include time in simulation, seminars, and additional clinical opportunities. There are three simulation days during the semester. This course also includes a semester-long student-led group community project to be scheduled on your own time throughout the semester.

TEXTBOOK: none

Clinical Dates / Times:

Sections 1 & 2 : Wednesdays 0800-1700

Sections 3 & 4 : Thursdays 0800-1700

Special dates:

Class orientation (mandatory for all sections):

August 27, 2026, Selvester's from 12-4. We will also do IM competencies.

Simulation Days (odd sections from 0900-1200, even sections from 1300-1600):

Sections 1 & 2 : 9/2, 9/30, 11/18

Sections 3 & 4 : 9/3, 10/1, 11/19

Community Project Poster Session (mandatory for all students):

Colusa 100A for 4 hours on 11/30

4. NURS 475 Community Health Nursing

Class meetings are on Tuesdays. We will have a hybrid schedule that includes asynchronous content on even weeks, and in-person class days will be held on odd weeks and week 16. The course syllabus will be available in Canvas when the semester begins. Faculty will post objectives and assignments by course module. Check Canvas regularly so you can be adequately prepared for the class.

Required Textbooks:

Taking Care; the Story of Nursing and Its Power to Change Our World by Sarah DiGregorio ISBN: 9780063071292 **ISBN-10:** 0063071290 **Publisher:** Harper Perennial

Exams:

ATI non-proctored practice exams will be used in this course; ATI HIPAA due week 1

Special dates:

First day of class: Tuesday, August 27, 2026 from 1200 to 1600

Keep Tuesdays of odd weeks available for class. 8/25, 9/8, 9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17, 12/8. Specific time of day and room assignments are still pending. Keep the entire day open.

Last day of class: Tuesday, December 15, 2026 from 1400 to 1600. This is in finals week and will be a class celebration in Selvester's. Plan to attend!

PINNING: 12/18 1300-1500

Enloe Orientation and OAK Modules (if placed in Enloe clinical sections or Enloe Health community site):

All students enrolled in clinicals at Enloe Medical Center will meet at the Enloe Conference Center for orientation and computer training on **August 25, 2026**. Check Canvas and your Wildcat email for exact date and times. Expect to have a full first clinical day with mandatory training and orientation.

Depending on previous clinical placements, students will need to complete up to 10 hours of learning modules consisting of online reading and testing. These modules are due prior to orientation. If you were previously assigned to Enloe, you will need to log in to your Oak module account 1-2 weeks prior to the start of the semester and complete any outstanding modules. New Enloe students will receive an email with the subject heading epm-alerts@elsevier.com. Please follow the link provided in the email to login into your OAK account and complete all outstanding modules. All modules are due prior to Orientation (Tuesday, August 25, 2026). Otherwise, you will not be permitted to participate in your clinical site until this requirement is met. If the modules are not completed on time, this might jeopardize your clinical start date with no way to make up the hours.

Clinical Placements, Onboarding, and Schedules:

Are randomized based on the usual Clinical Course Registration Prioritization system (Chestnut, Cherry, Ivy, etc). Unfortunately, special accommodations cannot be granted, such as clinical site requests based on location of residence. For more clarification, please review the Clinical Course Registration Prioritization sheet. Due to limited availability of clinical placements, assigned clinical sites may change based on site capacity and unforeseen circumstances. We understand

these changes can be challenging, and we appreciate your flexibility and patience as we work to provide the best possible learning opportunities. Our priority is to ensure that all students receive the required clinical experience, and we will do our best to communicate any adjustments as soon as possible.

Clinical start times vary between sites and between preceptors. It is typically unlikely to expect clinical starts within the first month of the semester. We assure you, there will be plenty of time to complete required hours. At the beginning of the semester, the SON personnel work diligently to connect students with their sites and obtain site-specific requirements. Requirements, deadlines, preceptor choices, etc are all set by the clinical sites themselves, and not the SON. We acknowledge that onboarding can be very “tasky” and feel overwhelming to some, but it is how we maintain our site partnership as they allow us into their space. Please stay diligent in watching for communication from SON of what is required from you. Thank you for your understanding and adaptability as we work hard to get you connected with these opportunities.

Finals: The University announcements may differ from the actual final schedule for your classes. Plan to be available until the end of finals week. Do not make plans to be away during finals week until you have received confirmation of the final exam schedule from the instructor/s.

Please Note: Students are provided with a schedule in advance, but dates are subject to change.

Important Dates:

August 24- Classes begin

September 7- Labor Day (campus closed)

November 11- Veterans Day (campus closed)

November 23-27- Fall Break (no classes held)

December 14-18 Finals Week

December 21- January 18th (Winter break)