

**San José State University,  
The Valley Foundation School of  
Nursing  
Masters Family Nurse Practitioner Program**

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# Family Nurse Practitioner

- Educated and trained to diagnose and treat commonly occurring conditions using evidence-based guidelines
- Philosophy of treating the whole person rather than just the condition or disease itself



# FNP Program Admissions Criteria

- Current, unrestricted CA RN license
- 1-2 years of nursing experience
- Baccalaureate degree in nursing or
- Baccalaureate degree in another field + Associate degree in nursing\*

\*requires additional undergraduate coursework before starting FNP coursework



# Overview Family Nurse Practitioner Program

- Fall admission
- Cohort design
- Five semesters



# Family Nurse Practitioner Program

- 18-20 students admitted each Fall
- 1-2 years of nursing experience required at time of application
- Acute care experience preferred



# Family Nurse Practitioner Program Overview

Semester	Schedule
Semester 1 (Fall, Aug - Dec)	- Tue 4-9pm
Semester 2 (Spring, Jan - May)	- Tue 4-9pm
Semester 3 (Summer, June - Aug)	- Tue 4-9pm - 1-2 clinical days
Semester 4 (Fall, Aug - Dec)	- Tue 4-9pm - 2 -3 clinical days
Semester 5 (Spring, Jan - May)	- Tue 4-9pm - 2 -3 clinical days



\*additional days TBA orientations, workshops

# Family Nurse Practitioner Coursework (42 units)

Semester 1 Fall 2021	Semester 2 Spring 2022	Semester 3 Summer 2022	Semester 4 Fall 2022	Semester 5 Spring 2023
NURS 200 (3 Units) Population Based Health Care	NURS 259 (3 units) Advanced Pharmacology	NURS 250 (2 units) FNP Theory I	NURS 251 (2 units) FNP Theory II	NURS 252 (2 units) FNP Theory III
NURS 202 (2 units) Theoretical Foundations	NURS 260 (3 units) Advanced Pathophysiology	NURS 253 (2 units) FNP Practicum I <b>(90 clinical hours)</b>	NURS 254 (5 units) FNP Practicum II <b>(225 clinical hours)</b>	NURS 256 (5 units) FNP Practicum III <b>(225 clinical hours)</b>
NURS 248 (3 units) Advanced Health Assessment	NURS 295A (3 units) Research Methods		NURS 258 (2 units) Professional Issues	NURS 297.2 (2 units) MS Project
			NURS 297.1 (1 unit) MS Project	
<b>8 Units</b>	<b>9 Units</b>	<b>4 Units</b>	<b>10 Units</b>	<b>9 Units</b>

## Example Fall Class Schedule

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>N200 Policy (3)</b>	<b>N202 Nursing Theory (2)</b>	<b>N248 Health Assessment (3)</b>
<b>1</b>	Tue Aug 27	6:15 - 9pm	4 - 6pm	Online
<b>2</b>	Tue Sep 3	Online	7 - 9pm	4 - 7pm
<b>3</b>	Tue Sep 10	4 - 7pm	Online	Online
<b>4</b>	Tue Sep 17	Online	Online	4 - 7pm
<b>5</b>	Tue Sep 24	4 - 7pm	Online	Online
<b>6</b>	Tue Oct 1	Online	Online	4 - 7pm
<b>7</b>	Tue Oct 8	6:15 - 9pm	4 - 6pm	Online
<b>8</b>	Tue Oct 15	Online	Online	4 - 7pm
<b>9</b>	Tue Oct 22	6:15 - 9pm	4 - 6pm	Online
<b>10</b>	Tue Oct 29	Online	Online	4 - 7pm
<b>11</b>	Tue Nov 5	4 - 7pm Online	Online	Online
<b>12</b>	Tue Nov 12	Online	4 - 6pm	6 - 9pm
<b>13</b>	Tue Nov 19	6:15 - 9pm	4 - 6pm	Online
<b>14</b>	Tue Nov 26	6:15 - 9pm	4 - 6pm	Online
<b>15</b>	Tue Dec 3	Online	4 - 6pm	6 - 9pm
	Finals	TBA		TBA

# Nurse Practitioner Clinical Hours

## Clinical hours

- 540 total hours
- 500 direct patient care
- 40 other
  - X-ray workshop
  - Suture workshop
  - Other TBA

## Semester 3

- 90 hours

## Semester 4

- 225 hours

## Semester 5

- 225 hours

# Nurse Practitioner Clinical Placements

- Family practice, adult primary care, gerontology, women's health, pediatrics

## Clinical site examples:

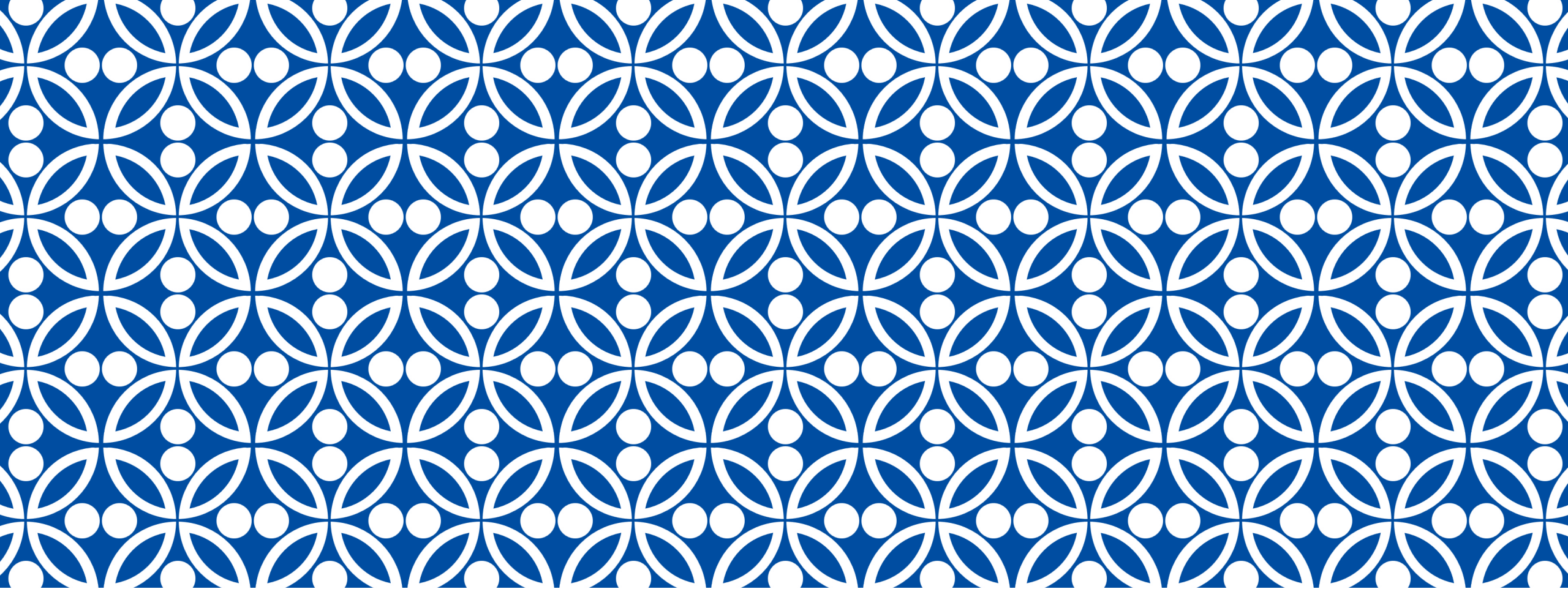
- Minute Clinic
- PAMF/Sutter – Santa Cruz, Dublin, Redwood City
- San Jose, San Francisco Bay Area, Carmel, Monterey, Sacramento

# Family Nurse Practitioner Program Costs

■ Graduate studies application	\$70
■ FNP program fee*	\$250
■ Castle Branch (background check/drug screen)	\$120
■ Lab fees (e.g. site onboarding, workshops, etc.)	\$600
■ Tuition (does not include books, supplies, parking)	\$46,000
■ Total**	<u>\$47,040</u>

\*upon admission, non-refundable

\*\* changes TBA



# Applying to the Master's Program

# Application Due Dates

Students admitted every Fall

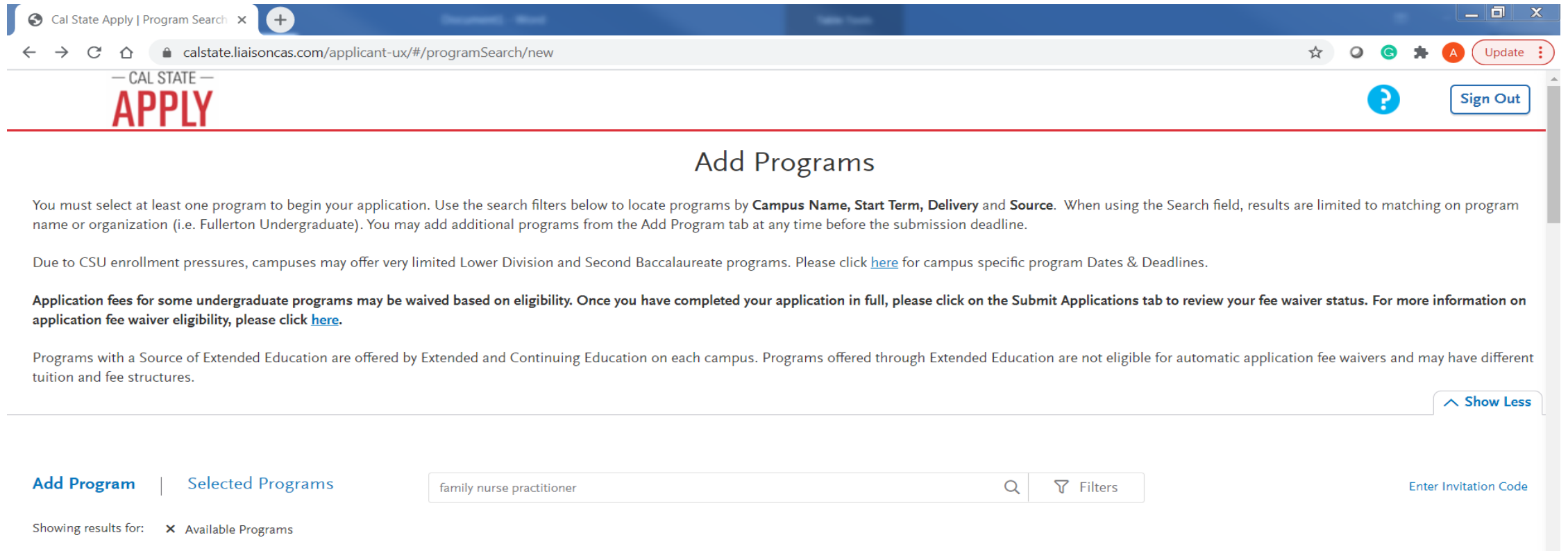
One Application:

- San José State University [graduate application](#)
- [Open: Oct 1, 2020 – March 1, 2021](#)



# Masters Program Application

- <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/graduate>
- Search by campus and/or by program



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [calstate.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/programSearch/new](https://calstate.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/programSearch/new). The page header includes the "CAL STATE APPLY" logo and a "Sign Out" button. The main heading is "Add Programs". Below this, there is instructional text: "You must select at least one program to begin your application. Use the search filters below to locate programs by **Campus Name, Start Term, Delivery** and **Source**. When using the Search field, results are limited to matching on program name or organization (i.e. Fullerton Undergraduate). You may add additional programs from the Add Program tab at any time before the submission deadline." Further text explains that due to CSU enrollment pressures, campuses may offer very limited Lower Division and Second Baccalaureate programs, and provides a link for campus-specific program dates and deadlines. It also states that application fees for some undergraduate programs may be waived based on eligibility, and provides a link for more information on application fee waiver eligibility. A note mentions that programs with a Source of Extended Education are offered by Extended and Continuing Education on each campus, but are not eligible for automatic application fee waivers and may have different tuition and fee structures. At the bottom, there is a search bar with the text "family nurse practitioner" and a "Filters" button. The page also shows "Add Program" and "Selected Programs" tabs, and a "Show Less" button.

Cal State Apply | Program Search

calstate.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/programSearch/new

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Application fees for some undergraduate programs may be waived based on eligibility. Once you have completed your application in full, please click on the Submit Applications tab to review your fee waiver status. For more information on application fee waiver eligibility, please click [here](#).

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Enter Invitation Code

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# Graduate Program Application

1. Complete online application  
<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/graduate>
2. \$70 non-refundable application processing fee
3. Submit transcripts as directed (check MYSJSU)
4. Foreign educated students submit TOEFL score
  - 550 (Paper Based)
  - 213 (Computer Based)
  - 80 (Internet Based)
5. Transcript evaluation [WES \(World Education Services\) evaluation](#)

# Graduate Program Application

1. Personal statement\*
  - a. What are your goals and passions?
  - b. Why are you applying to the FNP or NE program?
  - c. What are you bringing to the program?
2. Short video 3-5 minutes describing your nursing/other experience (YouTube)
3. Two letters of reference

\*CalState apply application has a section "goals," refer to nursing application



# Other Baccalaureate Degree + Associate in Nursing

- Apply to the MS Nurse FNP Program
- Admitted on an individual basis
- Undergraduate courses to be completed *before* starting MS courses
- Research
  - N128
- Community Health
  - N127B, N137, N147B



# Planning Ahead - Fall 2021 Important Dates

- Mandatory
- New Graduate Student Orientation\*
  - August 2021
  - Time/room TBA



\*Will be invited to an optional SJSU Master's Orientation

# Additional Program Costs

- Malpractice Insurance
- Health Insurance
- Additional background checks/drug screens per clinical agency request
- Transportation to clinical sites

# Other Information

Requested *after admittance to the program*

- Background check\*
- Drug screen\*
- Health Statement
- Immunizations
- Castle Branch
- \$120



# More Information — SJSU Nursing Programs Website



<http://www.sjsu.edu/nursing/>

<https://www.sjsu.edu/nursing/programs/family-nurse-practitioner.php>

<https://www.sjsu.edu/nursing/future-students/index.php>

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