# Bachelor of Science in **Nursing for RNs**

HYBRID DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM

## CSU, CHICO RN TO BSN PROGRAM

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of healthcare occupations is projected to grow 18 percent between 2016—2026, much faster than the average for all occupations, adding about 2.4 million new jobs. Healthcare occupations are projected to add more jobs than any of the other occupational groups. Yet California has a critical shortage of nurses prepared at the appropriate levels to meet the state's health care needs. The CSU, Chico School of Nursing has developed the RN to BSN Program in a primarily internet-based format that accentuates flexibility and convenience for the working nurse, including nurses in distant communities. The program can reach the most distant areas of our rural region, and meet the needs of nurses who have seven-day-aweek, around-the-clock, work schedules.

**Clinical Requirements**: Public health clinical in final summer. Effort is made to arrange a placement near the student's home county.

Theory Courses: All online

#### **Program Requirements:**

- Official transcript evaluation. Begin the evaluation process well before you want to start the program
- Advising session attendance; either on campus or virtually
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better (most recent 60 units can be used)
- Nursing prerequisite courses completed with a grade of C or better
- Lower division General Education courses completed

**Application Deadline:** February 15<sup>th</sup> for potential start in June.

#### **Admission Priority:**

Priority points will be given for residence/employment and/or graduation from one of the A.D.N. programs in the under-served, Northern California counties of Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lassen, Mendocino, Lake, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, and Yuba. See the nursing website for full details.

#### For More Information:

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#### **School of Nursing Website:**

www.csuchico.edu/nurs/programs/rn-bsn/index.shtml

# CSU, Chico School of Nursing



#### **PROGRAM AT A GLANCE**

#### **Delivery**

• Hybrid program / Partially online

#### **Degree Completed**

• Bachelor of Science in Nursing

#### **Designed For**

• Licensed RNs and A.D.N. students

#### **Time Frame**

• 15 months: June—August of the following year

#### **Program Cost**

• \$12,450 + Books \$9,960 + Books for those with Bachelor's Degree



RN-BSN Program graduate Alecia Tichava works as a full-time Psychiatric Emergency Services nurse for the County of Sonoma, CA.

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing at California State University, Chico is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. (www.ccneaccreditation.org)



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### **JUMP START OPTION**

A.D.N. Students from Butte College, College of the Redwoods, College of the Siskiyous, Mendocino College, Yuba College and Shasta College are eligible for the CSU, Chico RN to BSN Program Jump Start Option.

The Jump Start Option is for students who have completed the necessary coursework requirements for admission to the CSU Chico RN to BSN Program, meet the GPA requirements, and are achieving a 3.0 GPA in their A.D.N. program. See the **CSU, Chico A.D.N RN to BSN Transfer Worksheet** for your A.D.N. Program for the specifics. The worksheet is available at the School of Nursing website (below).

While still enrolled in their A.D.N. program, qualified students may take one or both of the two Upper Division GE classes—RELS 332-World Religions & Global Issues and MCGS 310-LGBTQ Issues & Identities—required for the RN to BSN Program, if offered during a Summer or Winter Session. Registration for these online classes is through CSU, Chico Regional & Continuing Education (RCE) and admission to the University is not required. More information and the upcoming class schedules can be found at summer.csuchico.edu and winter.csuchico.edu.

Completing one or both of these courses while still in the A.D.N. program ensures top priority points for admission to the RN to BSN Program (if all other admission requirements are met). This option provides an easier transition for New Graduates as they will only need two fall semester courses, instead of three, and get a winter break if they complete both courses. The Jump Start Option is the CSU, Chico RN to BSN Program version of informal co-enrollment.

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Graduate Christian Marano, RN to BSN Class of '17, greets a student at the Department of State Hospitals recruiting table at the November 2017 Chico State Career Fair. Photo credit: Jessica Bartlett, CSU, Chico



RN to BSN students gather during one of the orientations held on-campus at the beginning of each semester. Student Christian Marano "always looked forward to travelling to Chico not only to meet with faculty and fellow students, but also to walk the grounds and the halls of the school. It gave me a sense of pride and a feeling of belonging to a larger academic tradition."



Student Diana Ayllon promotes the use of bicycle helmets to local youth, one of the RN to BSN Program's community outreach opportunities.