

N498 COOPERATIVE EDUCATION (NURSE EXTERN) SDSU SCHOOL OF NURSING

Program Description

This work-study program is offered by the School of Nursing in cooperation with selected clinical agencies who interview, select, and evaluate students as employees. With the coordination of a School of Nursing Faculty member and agency coordinator, students apply previously acquired nursing theory and skills in assigned patient care settings under the supervision of selected R.N. preceptors. The purpose of this experience is to enable students to become more proficient in patient care activities while at the same time providing a needed community service. Seminars are held by the School of Nursing Faculty Coordinator to assess clinical progress of students and discuss clinical experiences, issues, and application of theory.

Prerequisites

Successful completion of the third semester of nursing courses is required. Successful completion includes all required cognate courses and current CPR certification, malpractice insurance, and health requirements. Students may not be assigned to work in specialty areas, such as Critical Care, unless they are currently enrolled in the nursing course for critical care.

Application Procedure - School of Nursing

Students interested in participating in the Cooperative Education Program must complete the attached application form and submit it to the School of Nursing faculty coordinator.

Application Procedure - Agency

Students must contact agency Human Resources department or the appropriate agency personnel and complete agency application. Students must bring copies of CPR certification, malpractice insurance, and health requirement verification to the agency personnel for interview process. In addition, copies of other career-related certification and resume might enhance the interview process.

Registration

Once the application form has been completed and turned in to the Faculty Coordinator, students may register for the course. Students may not register for the course (N498) until they have been officially hired by a participating agency.

Questions

Students may contact the School of Nursing Faculty Coordinator, Professor D. McCarthy, by calling 858-277-0716 or email: doris.mccarthy@sdsu.edu.

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