University of California Collaborative Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program

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Why the DNP? The Bottom Line

- APRN curriculum v. PsyD., DPT., PharmD., Etc.
Proposal Overview

- Multi-campus program
- Self-supporting program (SSP)
- Hybrid teaching methodology
  - Core courses incorporate distance learning
  - Three in-person intensive sessions
Admission Requirements

- Master’s degree
  - Years 1 & 2 APRNs only in
- Evidence of 500 clinical hours during Master’s program
- Active, unrestricted RN license
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal Interview
- Goal statement

- Cumulative GPA 3.4
- TOEFL
- Criminal background check
- Upper division level statistics within 3 years
- Resume or CV
Admission Cycle

- Students will be admitted annually in the fall
- The maximum number of students admitted each year is 80
  - 20 students/campus
- In the first 3 years students will be admitted gradually

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Program Overview

- Program Requirements:
  - 51 quarter units
  - Seven quarters for completion
    - Students have 4 years to complete the program
  - Eight core courses – online
    - Curriculum is designed in block format
    - Courses are taught once a year
  - Three in-person intensives
    - Location will rotate between each campus
  - Capstone project series
  - Capstone residency series
    - 17 units or 510 hours for capstone
## Curriculum

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Leadership Structure

System Wide Director
- UC DNP Director

DNP Campus Leadership
- DNP Associate Director

DNP Administrative Support
- Student affairs
- Recruitment/Admissions
- Placement/Scheduling
- Tech support
- Curriculum support
- Financial support
- Faculty/student support
Leadership

- **UC DNP Director**
  - Responsible for oversight of program
  - Reports to the Deans in the Schools/Program of Nursing
  - Final decision maker between campuses for routine issues not needing Dean input

- **Associate UC DNP Director**
  - Campus level
  - Provides leadership and oversight of staff administrative personnel at the campus
  - Administrative and financial oversight at the campus level
  - UC DNP faculty liaison
  - Reports to UC DNP Director & Dean
Program Faculty

- Each campus is responsible for teaching two core courses per year
- Faculty can be DNP or PhD
- Faculty available as Capstone mentor
  - Available at campus at which the student enrolls
  - PhD/DNP degree
  - May/may not be DNP faculty
- Faculty could be hired or current faculty could teach on overload status
Budget for a SSP

- Follows SSP requirements – independent in 3 yrs
  - Assumes 20 students per campus
  - Start-up costs from each campus (Loan)*
  - No use of state funds
- Student tuition of $55,000

- Program would need to generate surplus
  - 2 -3 times annual budget
  - Loan payback schedule*
  - Surplus: i.e. reinvest in students, local program infrastructure

*A campus may opt to request a loan. Repayment is the responsibility of the single campus.
Evaluation Plan

- **Minimum evaluation**
  - BRN Accreditation
  - CCNE Accreditation (DNP Essentials)
  - WASC Accreditation

- **Internal program evaluation plan**
  - Students

- **External program evaluation plan**
  - University
Where We Are Now

- **UCD**
  - Faculty approved
  - Expect to enroll students 2016-2017

- **UCI**
  - Faculty approved
  - Graduate Council submitted
  - CCGA reviewed

- **UCLA**
  - Need faculty vote

- **UCSF**
  - Faculty approved
  - Graduate Council submitted
  - CCGA reviewed