



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**

**Substantive Program Modification Form**

<b>UNIVERSITY:</b>	SDSU
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM DEGREE:</b>	M.S.
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM MAJOR/MINOR:</b>	Nursing
<b>CURRENT SPECIALIZATION:</b>	Nurse Administrator
<b>CIP CODE:</b>	51.3801 – Nursing Major 51.3802 – Nurse Administrator Specialization
<b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>	Nursing
<b>BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:</b>	SNUR
<b>UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:</b>	Nursing
<b>BANNER COLLEGE CODE:</b>	3N

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

Dennis D. Hedge	2/27/2024
Vice President of Academic Affairs or President of the University	Date

**1. This modification addresses a change in:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits required within the discipline   | <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits of supportive course work       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits of elective course work  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits required for program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program name  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing specialization            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CIP Code  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modification requiring Board of Regents approval<br><i>Must have prior approval from Executive Director or designee</i> |  |

**2. Effective date of change: 2024-2025 Academic Year**

**3. Program Degree Level:**

Associate  Bachelor's  Master's  Doctoral

**4. Category:**

Certificate  Specialization  Minor  Major

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur:**

- On the effective date for all students
- On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)
- Proposed new name:

**6. Is the program being modified associated with a current articulation agreement?**

Yes  No

a. If yes, will the articulation agreement need to be updated with the partner institution following the approve of the program change? Please explain: N/A

**7. Primary Aspects of the Modification:**

*Existing Curriculum*

*Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)*

Prof.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.	Prof.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
NURS	615	Foundations of Advanced Nursing	3	NURS	615	Foundations of Advanced Nursing	3
NURS	626	Research in Nursing & Health Care	3	NURS	626	Research in Nursing & Health Care	3
NURS	670	Health Policy, Legislation, Economics and Ethics	3	NURS	670	Health Policy, Legislation, Economics and Ethics	3
NURS	675	Cultivating a Practice of Cultural Humility in Healthcare	3	NURS	675	Cultivating a Practice of Cultural Humility in Healthcare	3
NURS	750	Transformational Leadership in Nursing	3	NURS	750	Transformational Leadership in Nursing	3
NURS	760	Advanced Concepts in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	3	NURS	760	Advanced Concepts in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	3
NURS	774	Nurse Administrator: Practicum	3	NURS	774	Nurse Administrator: Practicum	3
NURS	774L	Nurse Administrator Practicum Clinical Laboratory	2	NURS	774L	Nurse Administrator Practicum Clinical Laboratory	2
NURS	860	Health Operations and Financial Management for Nurse Managers	3	NURS	860	Health Operations and Financial Management for Nurse Managers	3
		Select one of the following options:				Select one of the following options:	
		<i>Option A - Thesis</i>				<i>Thesis</i>	
NURS	798	Thesis	5	NURS	798	Thesis	5
		<i>Option B – Research/Design Paper</i>				<i>Option B – Research/Design Paper</i>	
NURS	788	Master’s Research Problems/Projects	2	<del>NURS</del>	<del>788</del>	<del>Master’s Research Problems/Projects</del>	<del>2</del>
		Electives as approved by academic advisor	4			<del>Electives as approved by academic advisor</del>	<del>4</del>
		<i>Option C – Coursework Only</i>				<i>Non-Thesis</i>	
		Electives as approved by academic advisor	9			<del>Electives as approved by academic advisor</del>	<del>5</del>
Total number of hours required for completion of degree				Total number of hours required for completion of degree			
		Option A	31			Thesis	31
		Option B	32			Non-Thesis	31
		Option C	35				

**8. Explanation of the Change:**

The SDSU Graduate School has revised SDSU Policy 2:17 Credit Requirements for Graduate Credential Programs. The Graduate School adjusted the language to no longer refer to master’s programs using Option A (Thesis Option), B (Research/Design Paper Option), C (Coursework Only), and D (Coursework Only – Professional Program) but to move forward with Thesis and Non-Thesis options that will require a minimum of 30 credits. The College of Nursing has requested to change the non-thesis option from 32 credits (Option B) and 35 credits (Option C) to 31 credits.