Prior to Beginning the Program

- Make sure ALL transcripts have been sent and received to university and School of Nursing
- Have received letter of acceptance from CSULA School of Nursing
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- Have completed all pending requirements (pre-reqs, MSN, etc.)
- Have attended mandatory CSULA School of Nursing Orientation (day before Fall begins)
- Obtain a CSULA student photo I.D. from Golden Eagle Service Center 323-343-6800
  (you must have your CIN, CA I.D., have paid tuition and registered for classes)
- Obtain a CSULA network account; in addition to having your CIN and 4 digit pin to login to GET, you need to create a USER ID and password that will be used anytime you log on to a computer on campus (library, computer labs) that will provide you with a CSULA email to be used instead of personal email
  link: https://id.calstatela.edu/user/anonmain.jsp

During the Program

- For books please go to www.calstatela.edu click University Bookstore under “Campus&Resources” link in the middle of the screen.
- Completed/ prepared to purchase the Nursing Requirements for Practice (see handout)
- Have met with option coordinator at least once a year or whenever a change occurs

Towards the End of Your Program

- Applied for your certificate at the end of your final quarter after grades have posted
  NOTE: Your certificate will not be awarded until you apply and pay for it
- NURSE PRACTITIONER Students: After your degree has been conferred you must make an appointment to sign required paper work for your (1) nurse practitioner application to the Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) and your (2) application to sit for national certification (ANCC or AANP).

NOTE: After confirming with the BRN, it has come to our attention that Post-Masters students do not need to apply for a second California State NP certification if they are already certified as an NP after receiving the MS degree. If a student is seeking a Post-Master’s certificate as an NP and their original MS was not an NP program, the student would have to apply for NP state certification. The rationale for this is that CA state NP certification is general and not specific, ie you are a certified NP in the state of Ca but you are not certified by specialty. It is however a CA NP’s professional responsibility to know and practice within the scope of their specialty education. Transcripts should still list the specific NP specialty awarded. National certification is by specialty as well. Therefore NPs should be aware that if they have been educated and completed two NP specialties, they should seek national certification in both specialties.