The School of Nursing’s move to Folsom Hall significantly increased the amount of classroom and laboratory space available for student use—from 10,000 to 60,000 square feet—and boosted the number of high-fidelity simulation laboratories from two to seven.

The cutting-edge labs are stocked with state-of-the-art human patient simulators that mimic the symptoms and mannerisms of live patients. Simulation labs are incorporated into innovative curriculum to prepare our students for real-world situations.

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Nearly 50 percent of practicing nurses hold higher than an associate’s degree, putting Sac State graduates—who hold bachelor’s and master’s degrees—at the forefront of the profession.

The Sacramento State program in professional nursing is approved by the California State Board of Registered Nursing and is fully accredited through 2020 by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

Undergraduates in the School of Nursing’s program achieve higher than a 3.8 GPA. The students’ nursing education is designed to prepare them to be clinicians, advocates, researchers, educators and leaders in the health care system.