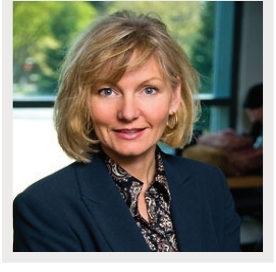


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An alumni of both the Sacramento State undergraduate and graduate programs in nursing, Debra Brady brings 20 years of intensive care nursing experience to her Associate Professor role at Sacramento State. She maintains an active nursing practice and contends that, "Continuing to work as a per diem staff nurse in the ICU helps me stay in touch with the work environment I am preparing my students to enter." Debra completed a Doctorate of Nursing Practice at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio in 2007. Her doctoral studies focused on patient safety and simulation as an education technique.

Involving her students in active learning experiences has been the driving force in Debra Brady's commitment to developing the Simulation Learning Center at Sacramento State. She has been responsible for integrating simulation learning into multiple areas of the nursing program, collaborative simulation experiences with Physical Therapy students, and development of a new model for nursing continuing education course in critical care that integrates online learning and human patient simulation. The course brings post licensure nurses (many of them CSUS alumni) from 18 area hospitals to campus for simulation learning as part of their orientation to critical care nursing. In 2008 Debra received the College of Health and Human Services Teacher of the Year award.

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