

Curriculum Committee



Change of Program or Certificate Proposal

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Note required information: Program or certificate changes require a change to the catalog page. All change of program or certificate proposals must include the new catalog page, with all proposed changes, at the end of this document. All changes that affect the courses, words, numbers, symbols, program description, admissions requirements, and graduation requirements must be documented. Note before completing this proposal that all new courses and current prerequisite, co-requisite, core, or elective courses changes must have already been reviewed (or submitted for the same meeting) by the Curriculum Committee and approved by the Provost. The Track Changes feature in Word must be used to illustrate all changes to the catalog page.

School or Division	School of Health Professions
Program or Certificate	RN to BSN Program
Proposed by (faculty only)	Martha Jenner, Susan Torres, Margaret Kruger, Catherine Bogar, Shawn Steiner
Presenter (faculty only)	Susan Torres
Note that the presenter (faculty) listed above must be present at the Curriculum Committee meeting or the proposal will be returned to the School or Division and be resubmitted for a later date.	
Submission date	10/16/2017

Section I, Proposed Changes

Change of School, Division, or Department	N/A
Change to program or certificate name	N/A
List below, any changes to the program or certificate prerequisites. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
N/A	
List below, any changes to the General Education requirements. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
List changes to program or certificate General Education requirements	
List below, any changes to the program or certificate Core requirements. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
List changes to program or certificate Core requirements	

List below, any changes to the program or certificate Elective requirements. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
N/A	
List below, any other changes to the program or certificate requirements.	
Admission requirements: Remove the requirement for graduation from a nationally accredited nursing program. Change to graduation with ASN (AND) or Diploma from approved nursing program.	
Change to program length (credits or clock hours to complete)	From: To:

Include complete new catalog page as an attachment. Proposals without the new catalog page will not be reviewed by the committee.

Section II, Justification for proposal

Include state frameworks, accrediting or professional organization recommendations or requirements, workforce data, and/or crosswalks.

Provide justification (below) for each change on this proposed curriculum action.
<p>Florida Statutes require all pre-licensure registered nursing programs in Florida be nationally accredited by 2019. The application for national nursing accredited candidate status is submitted 1-2 years before the accreditation visit on site with subsequent accreditation decisions. Programs in FL whose NCLEX pass rates fall below the national average are monitored for improvement and may be closed by the Board of Nursing and the FLDOE.</p> <p>The percentage of Florida nurses prepared with a BSN is the lowest in SWFL. Hospital systems in our service area are requesting the degree on hire or completion within specified intervals. Research data demonstrated in studies dating to 2000, that BSN prepared nurses are critical for improving outcomes and prevention of complications and death in hospitals. Additionally, changes in healthcare are moving care to the community which is a focus in the BSN curriculum and the degree at FSW prepares its graduates to move into employment other than acute hospital based care (home care, public health, ambulatory care). This admission requirement as currently stated presents a barrier to career advancement in the nursing profession and affects the quality of patient and community health in SWFL.</p>

Section III, Important Dates and Endorsements Required

List all faculty endorsements below. (Note that proposals will be returned to the School or Division if faculty endorsements are not provided).
Martha Jenner, Susan Torres, Margaret Kruger, Catherine Bogar, Shawn Steiner

NOTE: Course and Program changes must be submitted by the dates listed on the published Curriculum Committee Calendar. Exceptions to the published submission deadlines must receive prior approval from the Provost's Office.

Term in which approved action will take place	Fall 2018
Provide an explanation below for the requested exception to the effective date.	
Type in the explanation for exception to start date here.	

Any exceptions to the term start date requires the signatures of the Academic Dean or Associate Vice President and the Provost prior to submission to the Dropbox.		
Dean or Associate Vice President	Signature	Date
Type name here		
Provost	Signature	Date
Dr. Jeff Stewart		

Required Endorsements	Type in Name	Select Date
Department Chair or Program Coordinator/Director	Bobby Holbrook	10/16/2017
Academic Dean or Associate Vice President	Deborah Selman	10/16/2017

All Curriculum proposals require approval of the Curriculum Committee and the Provost. Final approval or denial of a proposal is reflected on the completed and signed proposal.

Approve Do not approve

*RN-BSN Chg of Program
Accreditation Requirement*

VPAA: Revised 11/11, 6/12, 6/13, 7/14, 8/15, 8/16, 8/17

RN-BSN Chg of Program - Accreditation Requirement

Mary R. Myers

Curriculum Committee Chair Signature

11/8/17

Date

Approve

Do not approve

Jeff Stewart

Provost Signature

11/13/17

Date