Provost and Academic Vice President



TO: David J. Silva, Provost and Academic Vice President, Academic Affairs
FROM: Amy Smith, Chair, All-University Committee
RE: Request for New Policy, School of Nursing
DATE: May 17, 2019

Enclosed for your review and approval is the request for new policy, School of Nursing Graduation Policy, School of Nursing

This request has been recommended by the School of Nursing, the Academic Policies Committee, and the All-University Committee. All Contractual obligations have been met. The effective date is June 1, 2019.

I also recommend approval.

Approve

David J. Silva

Provost and Academic Vice President

17/2019

Date

Disapprove:

Comments, if any:

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Requires expedited processing. Thank you! - THY S

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Salem State University Undergraduate Governance Academic Policy Proposal Form

<u>Title</u>:

School of Nursing Graduation Policy

(please give your request a brief descriptive title)

New policy

Description of policy as it would appear in the catalog:

In accordance with the Salem State University review process, undergraduate program nursing students are eligible to graduate from Salem State University when the following criteria are met:

- 1. Completion of all General Education requirements.
- 2. Completion of all supporting science courses BIO105, CHE117, BIO200, BIO201, and BIO304 with a C grade or higher in each course.
- 3. Completion of all courses with a NUR designation with a C+ grade or higher.
- 4. Achievement of a cumulative minimum GPA of 2.0.
- 5. Completion of all requirements associated with any optional minors or second majors that have been formally declared by the student.
- 6. Completion of a minimum of 120 course credits.

Please indicate where the new policy should appear in the undergraduate catalog:

Additional Requirements. Nursing majors are expected to carry their own health insurance, as well as liability insurance. Liability insurance is purchased through the University for approximately \$15.00 per year. During clinical courses, there are certain equipment items which students must purchase at an approximate cost of \$100, such as a stethoscope and blood pressure cuff. Majors in Nursing must be prepared to provide their own transportation to clinical agencies as of the second semester sophomore year in the undergraduate program. Uniforms are to be worn in the clinical area and are purchased through the Salem State University Bookstore prior to the second semester, sophomore year.

Throughout the program, ATI standardized tests are administered and count towards the course test grade. During the final semester students must take the ATI Comprehensive Predictor examinations as well as attend a four day intensive ATI review course in preparation for the NCLEX-RN examination for licensure. Please see additional details in the School of Nursing Student Handbook of Academic Policies. A Nursing Resource Center fee of \$100 is assessed for ten of the nursing courses for ATI testing materials and course related examinations.

INSERT: NEW HEADING *School of Nursing Undergraduate Academic Policies* followed by this statement:

Policies for nursing students are congruent with those of the governing organization, publicly accessible, non-discriminatory, and consistently applied; differences are justified by the student learning outcomes and program outcomes. Both Salem State University and the School of Nursing policies are publicly accessible, non-discriminatory, and consistently applied.

Followed by an embedded link: School of Nursing Undergraduate Polices

Graduation Policy will be policy # 2

Rationale for new policy:

Mandated by the Massachusetts Board of Nursing (CMR 6.04 (1) (d)) and CMR 6.04 (3) (a) (2)

Proposed New Policy (as it would appear in the catalog):

Rationale for change to existing policy:

Proposed effective date: June 1, 2019

Submitter:

Joanne Carlson

Department: Nursing

Date Submitted: 5/3/19