

NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM

Sponsoring Institution(s): PARK UNIVERSITY

Program Title: NURSING

Degree/Certificate: Bachelor of Science degree

Options: _____

Delivery Site(s): Parkville; Park Online.

CIP Classification: 51.3801 (CIP code)

Implementation Date: January 1, 2012

Cooperative Partners: _____

Expected Date of First Graduation: May 2013 (for transfer students)

AUTHORIZATION

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PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS AND PERFORMANCE GOALS

Institution Name: PARK UNIVERSITY

Program Name Bachelor of Science in Nursing Completion Program

Date April 5, 2011

(Although all of the following guidelines may not be applicable to the proposed program, please carefully consider the elements in each area and respond as completely as possible in the format below.

Quantification of performance goals should be included wherever possible.)

Student Preparation

The BSN Completion Program is a post-licensure degree completion program designed for the Associate Degree Registered Nurse to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing.

Admission requirements for the program include the following:

1. Graduate of an accredited Associate Degree Nursing Program
2. RN licensure in the United States, new graduates will be admitted on probationary status pending successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure examination.
3. Submission of official nursing program associated transcripts and other undergraduate transcripts
4. Completion of a Pharmacology Standardized Examination at the 75% benchmark score prior to beginning NU 310.

Faculty Characteristics

All faculty teaching nursing course work will be Registered Nurses prepared at the Masters or PhD educational levels. Some of the credit hours for this program will be taught by adjunct faculty, but full-time faculty will coordinate the program.

Among the program's requirements is a requirement that students take a capstone course and work on a capstone project/thesis, which

will serve to assess student learning.

Enrollment Projections

We estimate that most of the students enrolled in the program will be full time students.

Within five years we expect to have 200 students majoring in this academic program.

Student and Program Outcomes

We expect 30 graduates per annum after implementation.

There is no special licensing, certification, or registration related to this program.

PROGRAM COMPETENCIES (Student Learning Outcomes):

Building on the premise of the Park University Associate Degree Program, the BSN Completion Program will provide a career mobility path for the Associated Degree RN to continue their nursing education.

1. Analyze methods of professional adaptability to changing health care environments.
2. Create plans for professional development based on life-long learning principles.
3. Assess the value of Evidenced Based Practice within the scope of practice of the baccalaureate prepared nurse.
4. Integrate principles of collegiality into professional practice
5. Critique the differences between the role of the Associate Degree RN and the role of the Baccalaureate prepared nurse.

Program Outcomes:

1. 90% of enrolled students will complete the program within 5 years of enrollment.
2. 90% of graduates will rate the program satisfactory or above.
3. 90% of employers who respond to graduate surveys report satisfaction with the quality fo the graduate performance within 6 months of graduation.

4. 85% of the graduates will report advancement in leadership and career opportunities.

Program Accreditation

Park University plans to apply for Accreditation for this program with the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission (NLNAC).

Alumni and Employer Survey

Graduate Surveys will be conducted within 6 months of graduation. Employer Surveys will be conducted for all employers that students give permission to survey within 6 months of graduation.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

A. Total credits required for graduation: 121 credit hours

B. Residency requirements, if any: 34 credit hours

C. General education: Total credits: 37 cr. hours (Liberal Education or LE)

Courses (specific courses OR distribution area and credits):

<u>English 105 3 cr.</u>	<u>Science with Lab 4 cr.</u>
<u>English 106 3cr.</u>	<u>LE-Humanities 6 cr.</u>
<u>Math 120 OR MA 135 3cr.</u>	<u>LE Natural or Physical Sciences 3 cr.</u>
<u>Communication 103 3 cr.</u>	<u>LE Social Sciences 6 cr.</u>
<u>Computer Science 140 3 cr.</u>	<u>LE 300-Interdisciplinary Thinking 3 cr.</u>

D. Major requirements: Total credits: 46 credit hours

Transfer credit for Associate Degree Program course work up to 60 credit hours

BSN Courses 46 credit hours

BSN Core: 46 hours

Course #	Course Title	Credits
MA 120	Basic Concepts of Statistics	3
EN 306A	Professional Writing in the Disciplines: Scientific and Technical Writing	3
NU 300	Pharmacological Applications (VLE via testing)	3
NU 310	Nursing Transitions for the BSN	3
NU 320	Historical Nursing Practice	3
BI 326	Ethics in Science	3
NU 350	Theoretical Foundations	3
NU 355	Pathophysiology for Clinicians	3
NU 400	Global Nursing Perspectives	3
NU 410	Community Health Nursing Practice (16 week course)	5
NU 420	Leadership and the BSN Role (16 week course)	5
HC 451	Health Care and the Political Process	3
NU 450	Research in Nursing	3
NU 455	Integrative Practice in Nursing	3
		46 hours

LE 300 or 300 level Humanities or Social Sciences Course

3

Electives	One Course Nursing / health care / language related elective	3
	3 courses totaling 9 hours of Social Science, Humanities, or LE courses (200 level or above).	<u>9</u>
		15 hours

Degree total hours 61 hours

E. Free elective credits: 23 credit hours

F. Requirements for thesis, internship or other capstone experience:
 Research Project done in LS 400 Senior Project

G. Any unique features such as interdepartmental cooperation: