

Dallas Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

A = Approve I = Information Item R = Respond In Writing

Course Number: _____ **or Degree Plan(s): DNP Program**

We would like to change the admission requirement related to a 500-word purpose statement. The current prompt asks the students to focus on a scholarly project topic. We would like to change this to:

Author a 500-word purpose statement outlining your interest in the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree. Include the location (healthcare facility or organization) in which you plan to complete your DNP Project and a problem that is negatively impacting patient care and outcomes within that facility or organization.

		200	200	200	200
	Campus-Level Academic Review				
	Change to a Course Include signatures from all program directors/chairs for cross-listed courses. ¹				
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	A	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	I	A
5.	Number of credit hours	A	A	A	A
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I
9.	Course restriction (e.g., majors only, junior standing)	A	A	A	A
10.	Level change (U to G or G to U)	A	A	A	A
11.	Cross list course	A	A	A	A
12.	Program/department of record	A	A	A	A
13.	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A
	Change to a Degree Plan				
14.	Educational Program — Revise	A	A	A	A

15.	Educational Program — Adopt or change admission requirements	A	A	A	A
16.	GPA — Revise program or cumulative requirement	A	A	A	A
17.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	A

	Full Review	a	d	i	s
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)				
18.	General requirements for Bachelor's and Associate Degrees	-	-	A	I
19.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	-	-	A	I
20.	Requirements for graduating with honors	-	-	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan				
21.	Educational Program — Add or Discontinue ²	A	A	A	I
22.	Educational Program — Discontinue (proposed by Senior VPAA)	R	R	A	I
23.	Minor — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	I
24.	Minor — Discontinue (proposed by Senior VPAA)	R	R	A	I
25.	Degree — Add or Discontinue (proposed by Program or College)	A	A	A	I
26.	Degree — Discontinue (proposed by Senior VPAA)	R	R	A	I

	Change to General Education Requirements for Undergraduates (System)	a	d	i	s	s	s
27.	Change course outcomes of an included course	A	A	A	A	-	I
28.	Add or drop a required course from the General Education Requirements	A	A	-	A	A	I
29.	Add or drop a course from a menu within the General Education Requirements	A	A	-	A	-	I
30.	Comprehensive revision of General Education Requirements	-	-	-	A	A	I

Notes

¹ Any change to a cross-listed course requires the signature of both department chairs or program directors overseeing the course to ensure that the courses stay in sync. This includes courses taught at other campuses (e.g. BIBL 101 and BIBO 101).

² For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible. Master's programs must include a minimum of 30 hours, and doctoral programs must include a minimum of 30 hours beyond the master's.

³ When a program faculty or dean proposes closing a program, approval routing follows the typical process beginning with the program. A proposal by campus academic administration or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "proposed by the Senior VPAA" routing on the chart.

Program Director/Department Chair

Marcia Sotelo

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Nov 19, 2023

Program Director Signature

Date

Marcia Sotelo

Nov 20, 2023

Program Director/Department Chair Signature

Date

Dean(s)

Nannette W Glenn, Ph.D.

11/17/2023

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

Campus Academic Council

Chair's Signature

Date

University General Education Council

Chair's signature

Date

University Faculty

Dallas Faculty Council Chair's signature

Date

Abilene Faculty Senate Chair's signature

Date

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Signature

Date

President

Signature

Date

Current Admission Requirements:

Admission Requirements

For Applicants with an MSN Degree

- Application for admission with a non-refundable processing fee.
- A master's degree in Nursing from an accredited school of nursing (ACEN, CCNE).
- Official transcripts from the accredited colleges or universities that awarded the master's degree (MSN) to the applicant, sent in a registrar's sealed and stamped/signed envelope or official electronic transcripts.
- Minimum graduate nursing cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Two professional recommendation letters that attest to the applicant's academic abilities, character, and professional abilities.
- ~~A 500-word purpose statement outlining the applicant's interest in the DNP program, their planned project idea, and their career professional goals (written in APA format).~~
- Professional CV or résumé.
- Proof of unencumbered registered nurse licensure in the United States or current advanced practice nursing licensure and certification.
- Documented undergraduate-level statistics course with a grade of "C" or better.

For Applicants Pursuing the BSN to DNP Pathway

- Application for admission with a non-refundable processing fee.
- A baccalaureate degree in Nursing from an accredited school of nursing (ACEN, CCNE).
- Official transcripts from the accredited colleges or universities that awarded the baccalaureate degree (BSN) to the applicant, sent in a registrar's sealed and stamped/signed envelope or official electronic transcripts.
- Minimum undergraduate nursing cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Two professional recommendation letters that attest to the applicant's academic abilities, character, and professional abilities.
- ~~A 500-word purpose statement outlining the applicant's interest in the DNP program and their career professional goals (written in APA format).~~
- Professional CV or résumé.
- Proof of unencumbered registered nurse licensure in the United States.
- Documented undergraduate-level statistics course with a grade of "C" or better.

- Completion of NURS 615, NURS 624, NURS 627, NURS 675, NURS 681, and NURS 685 with a grade of “C” or better.

International applicants to the BSN-DNP pathway and DNP will be required to complete the standard graduate application requirements for all international students applying for an ACU graduate degree, including TOEFL scores and transcript assessment for degrees completed outside of the United States (<https://www.acu.edu/admissions-aid/international/international-graduate-application-information.htm>).

We propose changing the 500 word purpose statement as follows:

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