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**TITLE:**           **ACADEMIC PROGRESSION FOR DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE DEGREE STUDENTS**

**POLICY:**        In order to progress, students in the College of Nursing Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Degree program are expected to be in compliance with all University of Florida Graduate School progression policies and specific College of Nursing requirements. Students who are unable to adhere to the established curriculum plan must make an application and be reviewed for continued progression.

**RATIONALE:**   Progression in College of Nursing DNP Degree courses is dependent upon students' ability to meet established academic standards and comply with student health, security, and CPR requirements. .

**PROCEDURE:**

A. Progression Requirements:

1. Any student who receives an unsatisfactory (U) grade or any grade of 'C minus' or below in any required course must repeat the course and earn a satisfactory (S) grade or a grade of 'C' or above in the repeated course.
2. Students earning a grade of 'C minus' or below or an unsatisfactory (U) in any required nursing course, may repeat that course only once, on a space available basis.
3. Students may repeat only one required nursing course.
4. Student may withdraw only once from any required nursing course.
5. All pre-requisite courses must be completed prior to registration for subsequent courses.
6. Students must adhere to the standards of conduct outlined in the American Nurses Association (ANA) Code of Ethics and the Florida Nurse Practice Act.
7. All students must have on file evidence of compliance with Policy S-1.01 Student Health Policy, Policy S-1.17 Security Requirements for Students, and current CPR certification.

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B. Grade Point Average Deficit.

1. Each semester the Office for Student Affairs will review the DNP degree students with a GPA below 3.0.
2. The Office for Student Affairs (ADSA) will notify the student and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs – Graduate Clinical Education, in writing of the deficit. A plan of action to remove the deficit is developed by the student and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs – Graduate Clinical Education. This plan may include a revised curriculum plan as described below.
3. Any student with a grade point average below 3.0 for more than three semesters of part-time or two semesters full-time enrollment will be required to develop a revised curriculum plan, with Associate Dean for Academic Affairs – Graduate Clinical Education to decrease the number of credits. The student must file a *Petition for Revision of Curriculum Plan* form (Policy S-5.07, Out-of-Sequence Progression for Doctor of Nursing Practice Students).
4. Written progression requirements will be monitored by the student’s academic advisor in conjunction with the Associate Dean for Student Affairs (ADSA).
5. The ADSA will notify the student of dismissal from the program if the student is unable to meet the progression requirements.

Review or Approval Authority	Responsible Party	Initial Approval / Review	Most Recent Approval / Review Of Changes	Editorial Changes	Policy A-01 Review
Approval	<b>Academic Affairs Committee</b>	07/06	02/20		2/20
Approval	Faculty Executive Committee	07/06	5/20		5/20
Approval	General Faculty	07/06	6/20		6/20
Approval	Dean	09/06	7/20		7/20

**\*Bold indicates committee with A-01 review responsibility.**