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TITLE: **ACADEMIC PROGRESSION FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE STUDENTS**

POLICY: In order to progress, students in the College of Nursing baccalaureate degree program are expected to be in compliance with all University of Florida progression policies and specific College of Nursing requirements.

RATIONALE: Progression in College of Nursing baccalaureate degree courses is dependent upon the student's ability to meet established academic standards, and to comply with student health, security, and CPR requirements, and clinical agency requirements.

PROCEDURE:

A. Progression Requirements:

1. Students must maintain a grade of "C" or above and a satisfactory (S) grade in clinical practice for all required nursing courses.
2. Students must maintain a minimum of a 2.0 GPA each semester.
3. 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.
4. Students may repeat only one required nursing course.
5. Students may withdraw only once from any required nursing course.
6. All pre-requisite courses must be completed prior to enrollment in subsequent courses.
7. Students must demonstrate safe practice in the care of clients and exercise appropriate judgment as beginning level practitioners.
8. Students must adhere to the standards of conduct outlined in the ANA Code of Ethics and the Florida Nurse Practice Act (Statute 464.018).

9. Students must have on file evidence of compliance with Policy S-1.01 Student Health Policy, Policy S-1.17 Security Requirements for Students, current CPR certification, and clinical agency requirements.
10. Students may be removed from classroom or laboratory experiences if not in compliance with progression requirements.

B. Grade Point Average Deficit:

1. Each semester the Office of the Assistant Dean for Student Services (ADSS) will review baccalaureate students with a GPA below 2.0.
2. The ADSS will notify the student in writing and the student's advisor of the deficit.

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3. Any student with a grade point average below 2.0, or who withdraws from, or fails a required nursing course must submit a *Petition for Out-of-Sequence Progression* (Policy S-2.15) to the ADSS.
4. Written progression requirements will be monitored by the student's Academic Advisor in conjunction with the ADSS.
5. The ADSS will notify the student of dismissal from the program if the student is unable to meet the out-of-sequence progression requirements.