ACADEMIC REGULATIONS FOR THE COLLEGE OF NURSING

For complete information regarding the academic rules and regulations of the University, students should consult the Academic Regulations (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/academic-regulations) section of this bulletin. The following additions and amendments pertain to the College of Nursing.

Registration

Each student is required at the beginning of each semester of attendance to register according to the procedure and schedule published in the official University Schedule of Classes (http://classschedule.wayne.edu). Registration must be completed before the student may attend classes. For registration dates, the student should consult the schedule of classes. A minimum of eight credits in graduate courses constitutes a full-time load for graduate students. Some courses require approval of the academic advisor and the College Graduate Officer.

Professional Licensure and Liability Insurance

Graduate students must be registered to practice nursing in Michigan and have professional liability and malpractice insurance before registering for courses involving clinical practice. The College offers a blanket school malpractice policy with a minimum amount of liability insurance is $1,000,000,000/$5,000,000,000. Each student is expected to pay $13.00 per year for the malpractice insurance policy coverage and present the registered nurse license to the Office of Student Affairs no later than August 15th of each year of clinical course work. Students in the Nurse Midwife major must secure individual malpractice insurance. Consult with the Office of Student Affairs and the Specialty Coordinator for information.

Health Requirements for Clinical Courses

A completed College of Nursing Health Clearance Form must be on file in the Office of Student Affairs no later than August 15th prior to the first clinical course. All students must have an admission physical examination and history and must comply with requirements for a Basic Cardiac Life Support Level C (BCLS-Level C) course and present a standard immunization profile with a Tuberculin Skin (TB) test or quantiferon testing, proof of Rubella, Mumps, Rubeola, and Chicken Pox immunity, and the complete series of inoculations against Hepatitis B virus, and Tdap. A Urine Drug Screen Testing and a criminal background investigation are also required. Some majors require Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification (ACLS).

Students who have met all of the Health Clearance Requirements will be issued a Clinical Permit. Students who do not have a Clinical Permit issued by the College of Nursing Office of Student Affairs will not be allowed into the clinical setting. Clinical Permits will be issued once each semester prior to the start of the semester.

Master’s Degree Scholarship Standards

The graduate grading system is intended to reflect high standards of scholarship. The policies for academic progression for graduate students are listed below.

1. A student must earn an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better to be awarded the M.S.N. degree.
2. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.0 or better for advancement from master’s applicant status to master’s candidate status.
3. A student achieving less than a 3.0 g.p.a. at any point in the program must achieve a g.p.a. of 3.0 or better within the next nine credits. If there is evidence that the goal of a 3.0 g.p.a. is not achievable, the student will be excluded from the program.
4. A student may petition to repeat a graduate course once in which a grade lower than 3.0 is received. No more than two courses may be repeated.
5. A student will be excluded from the program if more than six credits of course work below a 2.67 g.p.a. have been earned, whether or not the courses are repeated and better grades are subsequently received.
6. A student will be excluded if a g.p.a. below 2.67 is earned in two nursing courses, whether or not the courses are repeated and better grades are subsequently earned.
7. A student will be excluded from the program if a failing grade below 2.0 is earned in a nursing course.
8. A student may be excluded from the College of Nursing for unsafe and/or unethical conduct in the program without having been previously warned.
9. Students have a six-year time limit to complete all requirements for the master’s degree. The six-year period begins with the end of the semester during which the student has taken work which applies toward meeting the requirements of the degree.

Doctoral Degree Scholarship and Academic Progression Policies

See the section beginning under Graduate Grades (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/records-and-registration).

1. A minimum overall grade point average of at least 3.0 is required for a student to be awarded a Ph.D. or D.N.P. degree.
2. Students must maintain at least a 3.0 g.p.a. to progress.
3. Students with a g.p.a. below 3.0 are placed on probation and will automatically have a hold placed on their registration. Such students are required to confer with their advisor to develop a plan and timetable for elevating their g.p.a. If the advisor approves the plan, the advisor should notify the school/college to release the g.p.a. registration hold so the student can register for the agreed upon course(s).
4. A student may petition to repeat a graduate course once in which a grade lower than 3.0 has been earned. No more than two courses may be repeated.
5. Students must be enrolled each academic year while in the doctoral program.
   a. Doctoral students who fail to enroll in either Fall or Winter semester of a given academic year will be considered not in good standing.
   b. Doctoral students who fail to enroll in two (2) consecutive semesters (i.e. Winter/Fall) will be subject to exclusion from the program.
Student Rights and Responsibilities

Continuance in the College is contingent upon compliance with official rules, regulations, requirements, and procedures of the University and the College of Nursing. The student is responsible for reading the contents of this bulletin pertinent to the College of Nursing and otherwise becoming informed of and fulfilling all course and degree requirements in proper sequence with satisfactory scholarship. In case of doubt regarding any matter affecting his or her standing as a student, the student should consult with an advisor. The faculty reserves the right to amend or revise the policies and requirements set forth in the College of Nursing section of this bulletin.