

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY™

Graduate Programs—PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST

UGPC APPROVAL _____
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 CATALOG _____

DEPARTMENT: NURSING

COLLEGE: CHRISTINE E. LYNN COLLEGE OF NURSING

PROGRAM NAME: BSN-DNP PROGRAM

EFFECTIVE DATE

(PROVIDE TERM/YEAR)

SPRING 2015

PLEASE EXPLAIN THE REQUESTED CHANGE(S) AND OFFER RATIONALE BELOW AND/OR ATTACHED:

ADD TO CATALOG: Completion of the Master of Science in Nursing degree is an option for all BSN-DNP degree seeking students. This option will allow the DNP students to be eligible to take the national certification exams for the advanced practice specialty area and to become licensed as advanced practice nurses prior to completing the DNP degree.

Upon completion of all of the Master's level course work (which occurs during Semester IX of the DNP curriculum), the DNP students are eligible for a Master of Science Degree in Nursing. Students desiring the MSN degree must apply for the degree during Semester VIII of the DNP curriculum. After the MSN degree has been awarded, the DNP student may then move directly into the final doctoral level courses (Semesters X and XI) to complete the DNP degree.

The catalog change proposed necessary to facilitate this option would be to insert asterisks after NGR 7124, 7793, 7850

Asterisk will indicate "Course may be completed as part of the Master's Along the Way curriculum plan".

Rationale: This option will allow students to take the certification exam to be licensed and to work as a nurse practitioner while they complete their doctoral degree. It will also be recorded that the students received a master's degree on official records.

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Consult and list departments that might be affected by the change and attach comments.

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