LETTER OF NOTIFICATION – 11

RECONFIGURATION OF EXISTING DEGREE PROGRAMS

(Consolidation or Separation of Degrees to Create New Degree)

1. Institution submitting request: University of Arkansas Fayetteville
2. Contact person/title: Dr. Terry Martin, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

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1. Title(s) of degree programs to be consolidated/reconfigured:

Bachelor of Science in Nursing with concentrations in:

* Generic
* RN to BSN

1. Current CIP Code(s)/Current Degree Code(s): 51.3801 – Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse
2. Proposed title of consolidated/reconfigured program:

Bachelor of Science in Nursing with options in:

* Pre-licensure (changing from Generic)
* RN to BSN (no change)
* LPN to BSN (new option)

1. Proposed CIP Code for new program: 51.3801 – Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse  
   (no change)
2. Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2019
3. Reason for proposed program consolidation/reconfiguration:
   1. The addition of an LPN-BSN online option is being added. The online option is needed to facilitate enrollment of LPN’s in the BSN program. The current LPN-BSN option is offered only in the traditional format and enrollment has traditionally been very low. (There is only 1 LPN enrolled currently.) Moving this option to online will help reach working LPN’s who need flexibility in their schedule and the LPN’s in rural areas of Arkansas and beyond.
   2. The 3 options proposed for students to obtain their BSN include: Pre-Licensure, LPN-BSN, RN-BSN.
   3. The current Generic program will now have the term Pre-Licensure to reflect more appropriate terminology.
   4. The RN-BSN online option curriculum will remain the same with updated course titles reflecting appropriate terminology with the addition of LPN’s enrolled in the same courses.
4. Provide current and proposed curriculum outline by semester. Indicate total semester credit hours required for the proposed program. Underline new courses and provide new course descriptions. (If existing courses have been modified to create new courses, provide the course name/description for the current/existing courses and indicate the related new/modified courses.) Identify required general education core courses with an asterisk.

Current Curriculum for the BSN (Generic)

University Core Requirements (State Minimum Core) – 35

ENGL 1013 Composition I

ENGL 1023 Composition II

MATH 1203 College Algebra

CHEM 1073/1071L Chemistry with Lab

BIOL 2443/2441 Human Anatomy with Lab

Fine Arts – 3 hours

Humanities - PHIL 2003 or PHIL 2013 or PHIL 2023 or PHIL 3103

History/Government – 3 hours

Social Sciences – 9

Additional General Study Hours - 25

BIOL 2013/2011L Microbiology with Lab

Statistics PSYC 2013, STAT 2023, STAT 2303, or ESRM 2403

BIOL 2213/2211L Human Physiology with Lab

Elective Hours – 8

NURS 2022 Intro to Professional Nursing Concepts

NURS 2032 Therapeutic Communication

NURS 2012 Nursing Informatics

Professional Nursing Program Hours - 60

NURS 3402 Nursing Concepts: Older Adult

NURS 3313 Pharmacology

NURS 3314 Pathophysiology

NURS 3321L Health Assessment

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

NURS 3634 Nursing Concept: Adult Health I

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

NURS 3742 Nursing Concept: Mental Health and Illness

NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver

NURS 3842 Research in Nursing

NURS 4112 Teaching and Health Promotion

NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Child and Family

NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher

NURS 4242 Leadership in Nursing

NURS 4252 Professional Role Implementation V: Manager

NURS 4262 Nursing Concept: Adult Health II

NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care

NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis

NURS 4603 Nursing Concepts: Communities

NURS 4613 Professional Role Implementation VII: Role Synthesis

NURS 4712 Seminar in Professional Nursing

NURS 4722 Professional Role Implementation VIII: Role Synthesis

Total Program Hours - 120

Current Curriculum for the BSN (LPN-BSN)

University Core Requirements (State Minimum Core) – 35

ENGL 1013 Composition I

ENGL 1023 Composition II

MATH 1203 College Algebra

CHEM 1073/1071L Chemistry with Lab

BIOL 2443/2441 Human Anatomy with Lab

Fine Arts – 3 hours

Humanities - PHIL 2003 or PHIL 2013 or PHIL 2023 or PHIL 3103

History/Government – 3 hours

Social Sciences – 9

Additional General Study Hours - 25

BIOL 2013/2011L Microbiology with Lab

Statistics PSYC 2013, STAT 2023, STAT 2303, or ESRM 2403

BIOL 2213/2211L Human Physiology with Lab

Elective Hours – 8

NURS 2022 Intro to Professional Nursing Concepts

NURS 2012 Nursing Informatics

Professional Nursing Program Hours - 49

NURS 3402 Nursing Concepts: Older Adult

NURS 3314 Pathophysiology

NURS 3321L Health Assessment

NURS 3634 Nursing Concept: Adult Health I

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

NURS 3742 Nursing Concept: Mental Health and Illness

NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver

NURS 3842 Research in Nursing

NURS 4112 Teaching and Health Promotion

NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Child and Family

NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher

NURS 4242 Leadership in Nursing

NURS 4252 Professional Role Implementation V: Manager

NURS 4262 Nursing Concept: Adult Health II

NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care

NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis

NURS 4603 Nursing Concepts: Communities

NURS 4613 Professional Role Implementation VII: Role Synthesis

NURS 4712 Seminar in Professional Nursing

NURS 4722 Professional Role Implementation VIII: Role Synthesis

Escrow Credit Hours - 11

NURS 2032 Therapeutic Communication

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations

NURS 3313 Pharmacology

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

\*Students may receive through validation examination, credit for NURS 3634 Nursing Concept: Adult Health I and NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

Total Program Hours - 120

Current Curriculum for the BSN (RN-BSN)

University Core Hours - 35

English - (6) credit hours ‐ Any core English including composition I & II

MATH - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core Math (college algebra or higher)

Fine Arts - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core fine art including film or theatre lecture, art appreciation/history, or music appreciation/history

Social Science - (9) credit hours ‐Any core social sciences including psychology, sociology, life span development, economics, geography, or anthropology.

US History - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core US history including US government

Humanities - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core humanities including philosophy, ethics, world literature, languages

Sciences with Labs - (8) credit hours ‐ Any core sciences including chemistry, anatomy, physiology, microbiology

Additional Requirement Hours - 18

Sciences with Labs - (8) credit hours - Any core sciences or beyond in addition to 8 credit

hours earned toward state core minimum requirement.

Statistics - (3) credit hours‐ STAT 2303: Principles of Statistics (ACTS Equivalency= MATH 2103), ESRM 2403: Statistics in Nursing, STAT 2023: Biostatistics, or PSYC 2013: Introduction to Statistics for Psychologists or equivalent.

Electives - (7) credit hours as needed

Nursing Program Hours - 30

NURS 4003 Transition to Professional Nursing Practice

NURS 4013 Informatics for the Professional Nurse

NURS 4323 Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning for RNs

NURS 4313 Pathophysiology in Nursing

NURS 4843 Introduction to Research in Nursing

NURS 4023 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan

NURS 4503 Introduction to Health Care Policy

NURS 4203 Leading and Managing in Healthcare Microenvironments

NURS 4063 Population and Community Health

NURS 4701 Professional Nursing Synthesis

NURS 4092 RN-BSN Professional Role Implementation VIII: Role Synthesis

Escrow Credit Hours – 37

NURS 2032 Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication

NURS 3313 Pharmacology in Nursing

NURS 3402 Nursing Concepts: Older Adult

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

NURS 3634 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health I

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

NURS 3742 Nursing Concept: Mental Health and Illness

NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver

NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Child and Family

NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher

NURS 4262 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health II

NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care

NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis

Total Program Hours - 120

Proposed Curriculum for the BSN (Pre-licensure)

University Core Requirements (State Minimum Core) – 35

ENGL 1013 Composition I

ENGL 1023 Composition II

MATH 1203 College Algebra

CHEM 1073/1071L Chemistry with Lab

BIOL 2443/2441 Human Anatomy with Lab

Fine Arts – 3 hours

Humanities - PHIL 2003 or PHIL 2013 or PHIL 2023 or PHIL 3103

History/Government – 3 hours

Social Sciences – 9

Additional General Study Hours - 26

BIOL 2213/2211L Human Physiology with Lab

BIOL 2013/2011L Microbiology with Lab

Select one of the following: Statistics PSYC 2013, STAT 2023, STAT 2303, or ESRM 2403

NURS 2012 Nursing Informatics

NURS 2032 Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication

NURS 3342 Health Assessment

This course focuses on concepts and principles of health assessment in a well person. Health status, environment, physical and psychosocial findings, and medical terminology are emphasized to create a holistic health assessment plan. This is a Level I course.

NURS 3321L Health Assessment Practicum

The course focuses on the implementation of concepts and principles of health assessment, preparing students to complete a holistic health assessment of the well person. This is a Level I course.

Elective Hours – 8

Professional Nursing Program Hours – 59

NURS 3313 Pharmacology in Nursing

NURS 3314 Pathophysiology

NURS 3402 Nursing Concepts: Older Adult

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations of Professional Practice

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

NURS 3634 Nursing Concept: Adult Health and Illness I

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

NURS 3742 Nursing Concepts: Mental Health and Illness

NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver

NURS 3842 Foundations of Scientific Evidence in Nursing Practice

NURS 4112 Nursing Concepts: Teaching and Health Promotion

NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Children and Family

NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher

NURS 4242 Leadership in Nursing

NURS 4252 Professional Role Implementation V: Manager

NURS 4262 Nursing Concept: Adult Health and Illness II

NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care

NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis

NURS 4603 Nursing Concepts: Community

NURS 4613 Professional Role Implementation VII: Role Synthesis

NURS 4712 Seminar in Nursing

NURS 4722 Professional Role Implementation VIII: Role Synthesis

Total Program Hours - 120

Proposed Curriculum for the BSN (LPN-BSN Option)

University Core Hours - 35

English - (6) credit hours ‐ Any core English including composition I & II

MATH - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core Math (college algebra or higher)

Fine Arts - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core fine art including film or theatre lecture, art appreciation/history, or music appreciation/history

Social Science - (9) credit hours ‐Any core social sciences including psychology, sociology, life span development, economics, geography, or anthropology.

US History - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core US history including US government

Humanities - (3) credit hours ‐ Any core humanities including philosophy, ethics, world literature, languages

Sciences with Labs - (8) credit hours ‐ Any core sciences including chemistry, anatomy, physiology, microbiology

Additional Requirement Hours - 13

Sciences with Labs - (8) credit hours - Any core sciences or beyond in addition to 8 credit

hours earned toward state core minimum requirement.

Statistics - (3) credit hours‐ STAT 2303: Principles of Statistics (ACTS Equivalency= MATH 2103), ESRM 2403: Statistics in Nursing, STAT 2023: Biostatistics, or PSYC 2013: Introduction to Statistics for Psychologists or equivalent.

Electives - (2) credit hours as needed

Nursing Program Hours - 57

NURS 4003 Transition to Professional Nursing Practice

NURS 4013 Informatics for the Professional Nurse

NURS 4323 Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning

NURS 4313 Pathophysiology in Nursing

\*NURS 3302 Older Adult Nursing

This course builds on previous nursing knowledge by focusing on gerontologic theories, concepts, and principles as they relate to nursing care of older adults. Students explore socio-cultural context of gerontologic nursing, professional standards of practice, common health concerns, and future considerations.

NURS 3332 Adult Health I for Nurses

The course focuses on the experience of acute problems across the health-illness

continuum. Students learn to utilize the nursing process through care planning and case

studies while focusing on the adult population.

NURS 3111 Clinical Skills for Professional Nurses

Students apply nursing concepts and skills in laboratory and clinical settings. Emphasis is on the caregiver role and use of the nursing process.

NURS 4843 Scientific Foundation for Professional Nursing Practice

NURS 4023 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan

\*NURS 3772 Mental Health Nursing

This course presents basic concepts and theories of mental health and illness. Students examine nursing care of clients with various mental health and psychosocial disorders. Therapeutic modalities and their use in a variety of settings are explored.

\*NURS 3782 Mental Health Practicum

Students will apply the theoretical principles learned in the NURS 3772: Mental Health Nursing to the care of clients with mental health disorders in a variety of settings.

NURS 4503 Introduction to Health Care Policy

NURS 4102 Adult Health II for Nurses

Focuses on the adult population experiencing chronic problems in the health-illness continuum.  Utilizing the nursing process, nursing and medical treatment of selected conditions will be emphasized across transitional care settings.

NURS 4203 Leadership for Professional Nurses

NURS 4212 Leadership Practicum

Students will apply the theoretical principles learned in NURS 4203 to the delivery of

healthcare.

\*NURS 4124 Child and Family Nursing

Students explore theory and evidence-based knowledge regarding holistic nursing care

of children and families. Principles of health promotion and health education are utilized

throughout the course.

\*NURS 4143 Child and Family Practicum

Clinical practicum experience for application of evidence-based knowledge and skills in

the nursing care of children and families.

NURS 4063 Population and Community Health Nursing

NURS 4073 Population and Community Health Practicum

Practicum basis for applying knowledge from public health and nursing theory. Learners utilize evidence-based strategies for disease prevention and health promotion with individuals, families, and populations in a variety of community health settings.

NURS 4542 Critical Care Nursing

Focuses on the adult population experiencing multiple or critical illnesses or conditions necessitating admission to a critical care unit. The course emphasizes both nursing and medical treatment of selected conditions.

NURS 4552 Critical Care Practicum

Clinical learning is focused on further developing and refining the knowledge, skills, and

attitudes necessary to manage the care of an acutely ill or complex patient and/or family

within the context of an inter-professional team.

NURS 4701 Professional Nursing Synthesis

NURS 4092 Professional Role Practicum

\* Optional Escrow Credit Hours by Exam for Experience/Practice

Escrow Credit Hours – 15

NURS 2032 Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication

NURS 3313 Pharmacology in Nursing

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations of Professional Practice

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

Total Program Hours - 120

Proposed Curriculum for the BSN (RN-BSN Option)

University Core Hours - 35

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Electives - (7) credit hours as needed

Nursing Program Hours - 30

NURS 4003 Transition to Professional Nursing Practice

NURS 4013 Informatics for the Professional Nurse

NURS 4323 Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning

NURS 4313 Pathophysiology in Nursing

NURS 4843 Scientific Foundation for Professional Nursing Practice

NURS 4023 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan

NURS 4503 Introduction to Health Care Policy

NURS 4203 Leadership for Professional Nurses

NURS 4063 Population and Community Health Nursing

NURS 4701 Professional Nursing Synthesis

NURS 4092 Professional Role Practicum

Escrow Credit – 37 hours

NURS 2032 Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication

NURS 3313 Pharmacology in Nursing

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations of Professional Practice

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

NURS 3634 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness I

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

NURS 3742 Nursing Concept: Mental Health and Illness

NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver

NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Children and Family

NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher

NURS 4262 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness II

NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care

NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis

Total Program Hours - 120

1. Provide program budget. Indicate amount of funds available for reallocation.

Nursing program budget for FY 19 is $4,213, 453.35. $4,037,747 is allocated for payroll. No additional funds will be required in FY 19 for the development of the program. It is anticipated that start-up in FY 20 will not require additional funds. Additional funds for salaries will be required as enrollment in the program grows.

1. Provide current and proposed organizational chart.

Current Organizational Chart

Proposed Organizational Chart

1. Institutional curriculum committee review/approval date: December 5, 2018
2. Are the existing degrees offered off-campus or via distance delivery? Yes
3. Will the proposed degree be offered on-campus, off-campus, or via distance delivery? If yes, indicate mode of distance delivery.

The LPN-BSN and RN-BSN options will be offered via distance delivery. Blackboard Learning Management System with email, videoconferencing, discussion board, and other online tools. Students in the LPN-BSN option will meet on campus for skills lab. Clinical hours are arranged in approved sites with qualified preceptors.

1. Provide documentation that proposed program has received full approval by licensure/certification entity, if required. (A program offered for teacher/education administrator licensure must be reviewed/approved by the Arkansas Department of Education prior to consideration by the Coordinating Board; therefore, the Education Protocol Form also must be submitted to ADHE along with the Letter of Notification).
2. Provide copy of e-mail notification to other institutions in the area of the proposed program.
3. List institutions offering similar program and identify the institution(s) used as a model to develop the proposed program.

Arkansas State University, University of Oklahoma, North Dakota State University

Model program: Indiana State University

1. Provide scheduled program review date (within 10 years of program implementation).

Spring 2021

1. Provide additional program information if requested by ADHE staff.

President/Chancellor Approval Date: January 21, 2019

Board of Trustees Notification Date: March 28, 2019

Chief Academic Officer: James S. Coleman Date: January 10, 2019