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Graduate Programs—PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST

DEPARTMENT: NURSING COLLEGE: NURSING PROGRAM NAME: MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN NURSING, NURSE PRACTITIONER POST MASTER'S EFFECTIVE DATE CERTIFICATE (PROVIDE TERM/YEAR) SUMMER 2016 PLEASE EXPLAIN THE REQUESTED CHANGE(S) AND OFFER RATIONALE BELOW AND/OR ATTACHED: **Information:** The University requires 12 credits for a post master's certificate (PMC). Many applicants applying for admission into the MSN NP PMC have graduated from one of FAU's MSN NP concentrations. A gap analysis comparing the two NP concentrations reveals a 10 credit difference between the concentrations. Therefore, our graduates must take an additional 3 credit general elective to meet the 12 credit requirement. Applicants coming from other schools require a minimum of 13 credits because will not have taken a course congruent with NGR 6110 Advances Nursing Practice Grounded in Caring which is unique to FAU CON. **Proposal:** This proposal calls for a variable credit PMC option of 10-13 credits for the NP concentrations. FAU graduates would require 10 credits and applicants from other schools would need a minimum of 13 credits. Faculty contact, email and complete phone number: Consult and list departments that might be affected by the change and attach comments. Joy Longo, jlongo5@fau.edu,561-297-2457 Approved by: Date: Department Chair: / College Curriculum Chair: College Dean: UGPC Chair: Graduate College Dean: UFS President: Provost:

Email this form and syllabus to <u>UGPC@fau.edu</u> one week before the University Graduate Programs Committee meeting so that materials may be viewed on the UGPC website prior to the meeting.

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Date: March 3, 2016

Memo to: Dr. Paul Peluso

Chair, University Graduate Programs Committee

Memo From: Dr. Shirley Gordon

Assistant Dean of Graduate Programs, Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing

Re: Proposal for a Variable Credit Post- Master's certificate Option.

The University requires 12 credits for the PMC. Applicants with an MSN in a NP concentration seeking specialization in another NP concentration requiring less than 30 credit hours apply for a Post Master's Certificate (PMC). PMC applicants needing 30 hours are encouraged to apply for a 2nd MSN degree.

All PMC students undergo a gap analysis in which their previous MSN curriculum is compared against the PMC they are applying to enter. Congruent courses are identified. Remaining required courses along with required practicum hours must be taken as part of the PMC.

Many of the students opting for the PMC are FAU AGNP graduates that wish to obtain the additional FNP concentration. Based on a gap analysis, these students need only 10 credits.

Proposal: This proposal calls for a variable credit option of a **minimum** of 10-13 credits for the PMC (some applicants may need more credits depending on their gap analysis). FAU NP graduates would need 10 credits and students from other schools would need a minimum of 13 credits that include NGR 6110. Our graduates have taken this course so they would have only 10 credits.

AGNP to FNP PMC OPTION

NGR 6301 Care of Children 3 credits NGR 6619 3 credits

NGR 6619L 4 credits (240 practicum hours/includes 100

hours in pediatrics)

NGR 6110* 3 credits

Total 10 -13 Credits

FNP to AGNP PMC OPTION

NGR 6251 Perspective of Aging

3 credits

NGR 6607

3 credits

NGR 6607L

4 credits (240 practicum hours)

NGR 6110*

3 credits

Total 10-13 Credits

*FAU graduates have taken this course

Rationales:

- a. We have openings for PMC students on a space available basis to account for attrition
- b. Meets AACN accreditation requirements and national certification exam requirements.
- c. Some of the students in the PMC serve as preceptors in the community for our students
- d. It will increase the expertise of our students and accommodate our graduates with a more reasonable option

Approved by:	Date:
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