

Request for Graduate Non-Curricular Changes

PLEASE USE THIS FORM FOR ALL NON-CURRICULAR CHANGE REQUESTS (changes in admission requirements or requirements for graduation, changes in or new policies/procedures, changes in program descriptions in catalog, general language changes in catalog.)

SIGNATURES may not be required, depending on the nature of the request and from where it originates. Consult Graduate Council chair.

1. Prepare one paper copy with all signatures and supporting material and forward to the Graduate Council Chair.
2. E-mail one PDF copy without signatures to the Graduate Council Chair.
3. **The Graduate Council cannot process this application until it has received both the PDF copy and the signed hard copy.**

College: COHP

Dept/Division: NURSING

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Rationale
for Request

The Masters of Science in Nursing program requests the removal of the GRE admission option and therefore making a 3.0 the minimum GPA for admission to the program.

(May attach
separate page
if needed)

Out of approximately 190 applicants, the GRE has been used only twice. Having GRE option gives the applicants false hope and additional cost.

In the last 9 out of 10 admissions lowest GPA accepted was 3.25.

Signatures: if disapproved at any level, do not sign. Return to previous signer with recommendation attached.

NOTE: all requests may not require all signatures.

Department/Division Chair



Date

2/24/15

Registrar



Date

2/26/15

College Curriculum Committee Chair

(or Dean if no college curriculum committee)



Date

3/13/15

Graduate Council Chair

Date

NOTE: please complete information required on the following pages before obtaining signatures above.

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1. Current Catalog Description (if applicable): Please insert the catalog description from the current catalog for entries you would like to change. (May attach separate page if needed)

4. Undergraduate course credit for 3 semester hours of basic research with a grade of "C" or better.

5. Evidence of a current unencumbered license as a registered nurse in a U.S. jurisdiction. Verification form is included in the MSN application package.

6. Scholastic achievement as evidenced by an overall undergraduate/graduate Grade Point Average and scores on the Graduate Record Examination as follows:

- GPA of 3.25 or higher: GRE waived
- GPA of 3.0-3.24 needs a combined GRE score of 304-291 and analytical writing score of 3 or higher
- GPA of 2.5-2.99 needs a combined GRE score of 336-305 and analytical writing score of 3 or higher

7. It is strongly recommended that all MSN students have two years of full-time nursing practice prior to application to the program. Those who do not meet this criterion will be considered on an individual basis.

8. Midwifery and psychiatric mental health applicants must have an interview with Shenandoah University faculty prior to the application deadline.

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2. **Edits to current description:** Attach a PDF copy of the current catalog description prepared in MS WORD with strikethroughs to mark proposed deletions and use the highlight function to indicate proposed new text.

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3. New Catalog Description: Provide a "clean" copy of your proposed description without strikethroughs or highlighting. This should be what you are proposing for the new description. (May attach separate page if needed)

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Please insert in the text box below your proposed change information for the Graduate Council agenda. Please enter the information exactly in this way (including headings):

Type of change request:

Department:

Degree program:

Effective date (*Fall/Spring/Summer, Year*)

Type of change request: ADMISSION REQUIREMENT

Department: NURSING

Degree program: MSN

Effective date (Fall, 2015)