Bon Secours
Memorial College of Nursing

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I. Policy

Bon Secours Memorial College of Nursing (BSMCON) establishes academic conditions that determine a student's scholastic standing at the College.

II. Purpose

The purpose of the Academic Progression policy is to describe the academic conditions which are considered unsatisfactory and jeopardize a student's scholastic standing at the College.

III. Scope

This policy applies to all students of BSMCON as defined.

IV. Definitions

Good Academic Standing: is a designation indicating that a student has a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 and is eligible to continue or re-enroll at the College.

Academic Warning: is a designation indicating that a student has failed to maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0. The duration of an Academic Warning may not exceed one semester (fall, spring, or summer).

Academic Probation: is a designation indicating that a student has failed to return to Good Academic Standing at the end of a period of Academic Warning. The duration of an Academic Probation may not exceed one semester (fall, spring, or summer).

Academic Dismissal: is a designation indicating that a student has failed to return to Good Academic Standing at the end of a semester in Academic Probation and/or has achieved failure as designated in section V of this policy.

V. Policy Details

A student who is enrolled at BSMCON is in Good Academic Standing until such time the student is placed on academic warning, probation, or dismissal.

Academic Warning
A student is placed on Academic Warning when the student's cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 at the conclusion of any semester of attendance – fall, spring, or summer. Notification of warning appears on the student's academic record. A student remains on Academic Warning for one semester of attendance, at the end of which time the student must obtain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. Failure to achieve this GPA results in Academic Probation.

Academic Probation
A student is placed on Academic Probation when the student's cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 for two successive semesters of attendance, including the summer semester. Notification of probation appears on the student's academic record. A student who achieves a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 is removed from Academic Probation. Failure to achieve a 2.0 cumulative GPA while on probation results in Academic Dismissal.

Academic Dismissal
A student is academically dismissed from the College for the following reasons:

1. Failure to achieve a 2.0 cumulative GPA while on Academic Probation.
2. Two course failures (grade D, F) in the same course.
3. Three course failures (grade D, F).
4. Withdrawing (grade W) from the same course more than once.
5. Withdrawing (grade W) in more than two semesters or sessions.
6. Failure to complete the enrolled program within the timeframes specified   in this policy.

A student who is academically dismissed is not eligible for readmission to the program (ADM 3.11 College Admissions/Readmissions).

Maximum Time Frame

Pre-Licensure BSN Program: Effective with the spring 2019 semester, the published program length * (for a full-time student) to complete the Pre-Licensure BSN program is five (5) semesters upon registration in the first nursing course (NUR 1101). For students enrolled prior to the spring 2019 semester, the published program length * to complete the program in a full-time status is six (6) semesters upon registration in the first nursing course (NUR 1101). In both circumstances, students must complete the academic program within six (6) years and no more than 150% of the published program length, as measured in credit hours (maximum time frame). The maximum time frame is 180 credit hours (120 credit hours published program length multiplied by 150%).

Post-Licensure RN-BSN Program: The published program length * (for a full-time student) to complete the Post-Licensure BSN program is six (6) semesters upon

registration in the first nursing course (NUR 3208). Students must complete the academic program within six (6) years and no more than 150% of the published program length, as measured in credit hours (maximum time frame). The maximum time frame is 180 credit hours (120 credit hours published program length multiplied by 150%).

* Published program length as defined above excludes summer semesters. This applies to both Pre-Licensure and Post-Licensure nursing programs.

For information regarding impact of academic progress on eligibility for Title IV Financial Aid, refer to ADM 2.06 Satisfactory Academic Progress.

VI.   Attachments

None

VII.   Related Policies

ACA 1.02 Essential Technical Standards for Nursing Students
ACA 3.01 Prerequisites and Co-requisites
ACA 3.02 Curriculum Planning - BSN Program
ACA 3.06 College Grading System
ADM 2.06 Satisfactory Academic Progress
ADM 3.11 College Admissions/Readmissions

VIII.   Disclaimers

Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between Bon Secours Memorial College of Nursing (BSMCON) and any party. BSMCON, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.

IX.   Version Control

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