Change of Credit Designation for NUR 473 and NUR 475 - A Slight Programmatic Change

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TO: Dr. John R. Halstead, College President
FROM: The College Senate
RE: April 27, 2009

SUBJ: Change of Credit Designation for NUR 473 and NUR 475 - A Slight Programmatic Change (course number 56 08-09 UC)

Signed: M.Raono, President, The College Senate
Date: 5/7/09

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TO: T.M. Rao, The College Senate President
FROM: John R. Halstead, College President

RE: Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution (circle choice)

a. Accepted - Implementation Effective Date: Fall 2009
   b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on __/__/____
   c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II, III. Response to Recommendation or Other/FYI

a. Received and acknowledged 5/13/09

Signed: (Dr. John R. Halstead, President, The College at Brockport)
Date: 5/12/09

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INSTRUCTIONS – please, no multiple attachments – each proposal must be submitted electronically as one document.

- Submit only complete proposals. Include support letters from department chair and dean.
- Proposals must be prepared individually in Word format using committee guidelines available at brockport.edu/collegesenate/proposal.html.
- Fill out this cover page for each proposal and insert it electronically as the front page of your document. (/collegesenate/proposal.html)
- Email whole proposal with cover page as one attachment to senate@brockport.edu and facprez@brockport.edu.
- All updates must be resubmitted to the Senate office with the original cover page including routing number.
- Questions? Call the Senate office at 395-2586 or the appropriate committee chairperson.

1. PROPOSAL TITLE: Please be somewhat descriptive, i.e., Graduate Probation/Dismissal Proposal rather than Graduate Proposal.

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:

After careful review of Nur 473 (4 credits) and Nur 475 (2 credits), nursing faculty feel that Nur 473 and Nur 475 should each be 3 credits. Faculty who have taught the courses and students in the program have requested this change. It is felt that 3 credits for each course more accurately account for the work of students and faculty required for each of the 2 courses. The course objectives and assignments in each course are not being changed in any way.

3. WILL ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AFFECTING BUDGET BE NEEDED? _X__ NO ___ YES EXPLAIN YES

4. HOW WILL THIS EFFECT TRANSFER STUDENTS:

No effect

5. ANTICIPATED EFFECTIVE DATE: Fall 2009

6. SUBMISSION & REVISION DATES: PLEASE PUT A DATE ON ALL UPDATED DOCUMENTS TO AVOID CONFUSION.

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NOTES:
### RN to BSN Program **Original schema**

**Sample Plan RN to BSN Program – Full Time**

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Total credits fall – 14  
Total credits spring – 16  
**Total nursing credits original RN/BSN program – 30**

**Proposed schema**

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Total credits fall – 15  
Total credits spring – 15  
**Total nursing credits proposed RN/BSN program – 30**

2. side by side comparison – see above  
3. rationale – students and faculty feel the courses are very similar in actual work required and that equal academic credit designation of 3 credits for both Nur 473 and Nur 475 is more accurate than the current 4 to 2 credit designation (Nur 473, 4 cr; Nur 475, 2 cr)  
3. no new courses involved  
4. no changes in staffing needed  
5. academic letters – attached  
6. no additional resources or facilities needed  
7. no additional agencies or departments affected
Letters of Support

February 26, 2009

To: College Senate

From: Linda Snell
Chair, Department of Nursing

I fully support changing the credit designation of Nur 473 (4 credits) and Nur 475 (2 credits) to 3 credits for each course. As stated in the proposal, after teaching these courses several times, nursing faculty felt that equal credit designation is a more realistic assessment of the work required for each of the courses. I agree with the assessment of the faculty. No other changes to either course are being brought forward. This is just a way to better allocate and designate the actual work involved by students in the courses.

To: College Senate

From: P. Michael Fox, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Date: February 27, 2009

Re: Nursing Department proposal: Change of credit designation for Nur 473 and Nur 475 – a slight programmatic change

This proposal changes the credits assigned to NUR 473 and NUR 475 to three credits each. This is a very minor modification of the RN to BSN program which has no impact on the content of these courses or on the total credits required by the program.

I support this proposal and I hope that the College Senate will give the proposal its full support.