

Memorandum

To: Members of the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs
From: Carolyn Tuohy
Date: November 28, 2001

Item Identification

School of Graduate Studies: Proposal for revisions to curriculum of the Master of Nursing Program, including converting the Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Field of Study to an e-learning format.

Sponsor

Carolyn Tuohy, Vice-President, Policy Development and Associate Provost

Jurisdictional Information

The Committee has authority for approval of major program and curriculum changes.

Highlights

The proposal is in two parts. The first concerns revisions to the MN curriculum to provide greater focus and to streamline the program. Areas of focus within the field of "Clinical Nursing" are defined, required clinical courses are reconfigured, the number of elective courses is reduced, and the overall number of course requirements is reduced from 12 to 9 courses.

The second part concerns the conversion of the Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (ACNP) field of study to an e-learning format. This will be the first ACNP program in Canada to be offered in this way. It is designed to be completed over 16 months of full-time study or 27 months of part-time study, and includes three required periods of residency at the University of Toronto of 7-14 days each.

Action Sought

Approval of the following motion:

That the proposal for revisions to curriculum of the Master of Nursing Program, including converting the Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Field of Study to an e-learning format, as described in the submission from the School of Graduate Studies dated October 19, 2001, be recommended to the Academic Board for approval, effective September 2002.



School of Graduate Studies

University of Toronto

October 19, 2001



Professor Carolyn Tuohy
Vice President Policy Development
and Associate Provost
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Dear Professor Tuohy,

At its meeting of October 16, 2001, the Council of the School of Graduate Studies approved the following motion:

THAT SGS Council approve the proposal for the reconfigured Master of Nursing Program, including converting the Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Field of Study in the Master of Nursing Program to an e-Learning Format, effective September, 2002.

The motion sheet and supporting documentation are attached.

On behalf of the Council of the School of Graduate Studies, I am presenting this item to you for Governing Council committees' approval, as appropriate. Please note that along with a copy of this letter, I have forwarded copies of the motion and supporting documentation to both Vice Provost McCammond and Chief Academic Officer, Vice President Sedra.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Alderdice
Secretary to SGS Council
And Coordinator of Policy, Program and Liaison

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Motion

School of Graduate Studies Council Tuesday, October 16, 2001

Item 6.

MOTION (/) **THAT** SGS Council approve the proposal for the reconfigured Master of Nursing Program, including converting the Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Field of Study in the Master of Nursing Program to an e-Learning Format, effective September, 2002.

NOTE:

This proposal was approved at the Division IV Executive Committee at its meeting of October 2, 2001.

With SGS Council's approval this item will go to Governing Council committees for approval, and then to the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies for approval.

See Executive Summaries and Proposals attached