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## School of Nursing

### Nursing Student Handbook Progression Policies Progression

Clayton State University policies on academic and disciplinary probation and suspension applies to students in both tracks of the BSN program. Due to the sensitive nature of working with patients and others in health care settings, the following additional standards apply to students in the BSN program.

#### University and Program Probation

Students in the BSN program will be placed on program probation in the following cases:

- **University academic probation** will result if a student's institutional grade point average falls below 2.00.
- **Program probation** will result if a student's program grade point average falls below 2.00. The student's progression in the BSN program will be halted and the student will not be permitted to enroll in other nursing coursework until the student has successfully completed the course(s) that had previous unacceptable grades.
- **Program probation** will result if the student receives a letter grade lower than 'C' (i.e. 'D', 'F', 'WF') in any nursing course in any given semester (or half semester). Students enrolled in any nursing course with a clinical component and not making a satisfactory grade at midterm may withdraw; however, for purposes of progression in the program, the withdrawal will count as a clinical failure.
- **Program probation** will result if a student fails to demonstrate clinical competency, safety, ethical behavior, and accountability in nursing practice and compliance with performance standards. This probation requires recommendation by a faculty member and approval by the dean. This probation extends until graduation, and a student will be suspended if he or she again fails to meet the criteria listed above while on probation.

Students, who receive a grade lower than 'C' in any nursing course must notify the Admission and Progression Committee and reapply to the BSN program. The Admission and Progression Committee will review the student's academic performance and determine if the student will be allowed to return to the BSN program. If approved for readmission, the student will enter the course the next time that it is offered depending on the availability of space. (Students with good academic standing in the BSN program have priority on space availability.)

## Program Dismissal

Students in the BSN program will be dismissed from the program in the following cases:

- **Students who earn a grade lower than "C" in any two nursing courses will be dismissed from the BSN program** as policy states that a nursing course cannot be taken more than twice.
- In addition to dismissal from the BSN program, because of inability in the nursing major and failing two courses, **grounds for dismissal may include:**
  - **Plagiarism or cheating.**
  - **Unsafe clinical performance** when the student's conduct or health presents a direct threat to self, patients, peers, health care personnel, faculty or other individuals.
  - Falsification of records, written assignments or **misrepresentation of presence** at assigned clinical or community activities.
  - Unethical or illegal conduct. All students are expected to adhere to the legal, moral, and legislative standards which determine acceptable and unacceptable behavior for nurses. The American Nurses' Association Code for Professional Nurses and Code for Professional Nurses and Georgia Law Regulating Practice of Registered nursing are used as standards.

**Student dismissal from the BSN program must be approved by the Associate Dean and Dean and communicated to the student in writing.** The Dean reserves the right to deny admission or readmission to any student deemed unsatisfactory for nursing based on the recommendation of the Associate Dean and faculty.