FULL PROPOSAL: Substantive Change(s) to a Program of Study

Note: New courses included in a program of study change require submission of the Substantive Change to a Course proposal.

Title of proposal (must begin with department abbreviation): NURS, Changing the general chemistry requirement for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Place an X next to the ones that apply:

- Alteration of requirements for any program of study including majors, minors, concentrations and certificates
- Creating a new program or concentration
- Changing admission requirements into a program

Effective date: Fall 2015

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Faculty of the originating department approved this proposal on 9/9/14 (date) by a vote of 23 aye votes; 0 nay votes; 0 abstentions; 2 eligible voting members absent

1. Description of proposed changes
   Currently, the BSN requires General Chemistry, Chemistry 1110/1110L. This proposal seeks to change the requirement from general chemistry to any chemistry course with a lab component. Students in the Pre-nursing, Nursing and RN-BS Nursing major will be allowed to take any of the approved courses to fulfill the natural science general education category.

2. Rationale for requested change
   Include data from the annual institutional effectiveness cycle or outcomes assessment; information on changes in disciplinary field(s); national, community and workforce development trends; and address any impact on enrollment trends.
   Changing the BSN requirement from General Chemistry to any chemistry course with a lab component will allow for a more seamless transition for students transferring from other colleges and universities to UTC. Many students transferring to UTC from other colleges and universities have completed a chemistry course with a lab but it is usually not the Chemistry 1110/1110L course. The nursing coursework requires a background in chemistry but it does not have to be general chemistry.

3. Current program requirements as listed in the Catalog (current Catalog copy—include all current required courses)
   School of Nursing
   Associate Professor Chris Smith, Interim Director
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Nursing is a practice discipline, with cognitive, sensory, affective, and psychomotor performance requirements. The faculty of the School of Nursing has identified the skills and professional behaviors that are essential to pursue a course of study to be eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination-R.N. and practice as a professional nurse. In order to progress in the nursing curriculum, a student must possess a functional level of capability to perform the duties required of a professional nurse. The essential eligibility requirements for participation in the nursing program are identified as Core Performance Standards.

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Students pursuing the Bachelor of Science in Nursing through UTC’s School of Nursing must meet requirements at each of the checkpoints.

Included in the checkpoint requirements are successful completion of specified course work and achievement of appropriate grade point averages. Success in meeting checkpoint requirements is a major factor in admission to the Nursing major. Enrollment is limited and the number of qualified applicants often exceeds the number of students who can be admitted. Pre-nursing majors not meeting all of the requirements at checkpoint 1 at the end of their freshman year will be changed to the undecided major to explore other career opportunities. Specific requirements for each checkpoint are listed on the School of Nursing website.
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The following students are eligible to apply for admission to the nursing program:
• A pre-nursing or transfer student after checkpoints are met and pre-requisite coursework is completed.
• RN with an Associates Degree in Nursing (Gateway track)

Admission to the Nursing Major (for non-RNs)
Students desiring admission to the nursing major must submit a completed online application through their MocsNew account. Candidates for the nursing major (Nursing 2110-2160) must make formal application by April 1 for the fall class and October 1 for the spring class. Enrollment is limited and the number of qualified applicants often exceeds the number of students who can be admitted. The following are considered when evaluating candidates for admission:

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Completion of credit hours required for sophomore classification including the following prerequisite courses with no grade lower than a C:
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CHEM 1110, CHEM 1110L
ENGL 1010, ENGL 1020
PSY 1010
NURS 2260
• Only two of the pre-requisite courses listed above may be in progress at the time of application.
• A minimum grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.0 point scale at UTC.
• Minimum Science GPA of 2.50. The nursing major includes a strong biophysical science component; thus the first grade earned in a required science course will be used to compute the student's science GPA.
• Physical and emotional characteristics appropriate for nursing practice.

The faculty in the School of Nursing reserve the right to make exceptions to the admission requirements.

Acceptance of transfer and substitute credits in nursing to meet requirements of the curriculum will be determined by the School of Nursing faculty. Students seeking to transfer into the B.S.N. Nursing program at UTC will not be allowed to transfer into the B.S.N. Nursing program with any nursing course grade lower than a C. Transfer students must meet the same standards as other students in the program.

Candidates will receive written notification of their admission status. Candidates who are accepted for admission must complete and pass a background check and drug screening
before being fully admitted. Individuals who are not accepted for a given class, and who
desire to be considered for the next class must reapply.

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The Gateway Program is a flexible curriculum which enables registered nurses to obtain
baccalaureate degrees in nursing while maintaining their roles in careers and families.
Planned with the mid-career RN in mind, the Gateway Program is individualized and allows
maximum college credit for previous educational experiences. The prospective RN student
should seek advisement from the Gateway Coordinator and transcript evaluation from the
Records Office for this program of study. The following requirements must be met:
• Graduation from an accredited diploma or associate degree nursing program.
• Show eligibility to return to the last educational institution attended and meet UTC’s
  continuation standards.
• Show a C (2.00) average on all postsecondary courses.
• Admission to UTC.
• Current licensure as a registered nurse in Tennessee or multistate privilege to practice is
  required.

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Expenses and Transportation
In addition to regular education costs, nursing students must meet the following expenses:
uniforms, standardized test fees, yearly liability and health insurance, initial physical
examinations, immunizations, CPR certification, respirator fit testing and others as required.
Some nursing courses may require miscellaneous fees. Since clinical experiences in nursing
are obtained in a variety of health care settings in local and remote areas, students are
individually responsible for transportation to these sites.

Insurance and Health Requirements
Students must meet specific physical examination and immunization requirements as
specified by state law and by the rules and regulations set forth by the various clinical
agencies. All students must have health insurance and must participate in the school’s
liability insurance program. Specific information concerning these requirements will be
provided to the students at appropriate times by the nursing faculty.

Licensure (for non-RNs)
Upon successful completion of the baccalaureate program in nursing, and upon certification
by the director, the student is eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination-
RN. Persons previously convicted of a felony may not be permitted to write the NCLEX
exam. Applicants for licensure in Tennessee must obtain an additional background check as
specified by the Tennessee Board of Nursing.

Continuation Standards
In view of the nature of nursing and the fact that maintenance and quality of human life may
be adversely affected by individuals providing nursing care, the following standards have
been adopted and are applied by the nursing faculty.
To progress in nursing, students are required to: a) make a minimum grade of C or S in all nursing and required courses (exclusive of electives); b) maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0; c) maintain active liability and health insurance policies and other clinical requirements for clinical courses; d) maintain current CPR certification, and e) meet School of Nursing health requirements.

Students in the Nursing major may earn a grade of D, F, or NC in only one course with a nursing (NURS) designation. If a student earns a second D, F, or NC, the student will be dismissed from the program, even if the second D, F, or NC is earned in the same semester as the first grade of D, F, or NC.

Students who do not complete a course, or who make a grade of D, F or NC in an undergraduate Nursing course, and who are eligible to repeat a course, are permitted to register for that course on a space-available basis.

If in the judgment of the professor there is reason to question the emotional or physical condition of a student or the safety or quality of nursing care provided, the professor has the right and obligation to exclude the student from the clinical area. The incident or reason underlying such an action shall be brought to the attention of the course faculty on or before the next clinical day. The student will receive written notification of the recommendation of the course faculty. Should the decision be unacceptable to the student, he/she may appeal to the director, and thereafter in accordance with University policy.

Exceptions to the above policies may be made at the discretion of the academic affairs committee or the director of the School of Nursing.

General Education

(see Certified General Education Courses for list of approved courses)
Rhetoric and Writing: (6 hours)

Two approved courses in rhetoric and writing
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Behavioral and Social Sciences: (6 hours)
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One additional behavioral/social science course

Mathematics: (3 hours)

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Additional Information and Notes

2.5 GPA in all required major and related courses (including specified General Education courses).
Minimum grade of C or S in all nursing and required courses (exclusive of electives).
Minimum of 39 hours at the 3000 and 4000 level.
Electives to complete 120 hours.
See Degree and Graduation Requirements for additional requirements.
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Nursing: RN to B.S.N.

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Proof of current registered nurse licensure serves as validation of content in Foundations of Nursing Practice (NURS 2150), Adult Nursing (NURS 3250, NURS 4450), Maternal/Child Nursing (NURS 3350, NURS 3360), Psychiatric Nursing (NURS 3260). The hours of academic credit for these courses will be entered on the student’s academic record the semester of graduation with each course receiving a grade of “S.” Students must have earned a minimum grade of C on each previously taken Nursing course to receive credit. Transferred Nursing courses with grades below C must be repeated.

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Add: One additional natural science course
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Chemistry course with lab
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Additional Information and Notes

NURS 2260, 2110 and/or 2120 do not have to be completed prior to beginning 3000-4000 level nursing courses.

Proof of current registered nurse licensure serves as validation of content in Foundations of Nursing Practice (NURS 2150), Adult Nursing (NURS 3250, NURS 4450), Maternal/Child Nursing (NURS 3350, NURS 3360), Psychiatric Nursing (NURS 3260). The hours of academic credit for these courses will be entered on the student’s academic record the semester of graduation with each course receiving a grade of “S.” Students must have earned a minimum grade of C on each previously taken Nursing course to receive credit. Transferred Nursing courses with grades below C must be repeated.

NURS 2160 and NURS 4560 are not required of RNs.

2.5 GPA in all required major and related courses (including specified General Education courses).

Minimum grade of C or S in all nursing and required courses (exclusive of electives).

Minimum of 39 hours at the 3000 and 4000 level.

Electives to complete 120 hours.

5. Outline the student learning outcomes—a statement of the minimum expectations of students as they complete the program. You must list at least three outcomes.

According to the accrediting body in nursing the baccalaureate curriculum in nursing is built on a foundation in the arts, sciences and humanities. It is through this knowledge that the student learns to:

- Use science as a basis for intellectual and practical abilities including the skills of inquiry, analysis, and critical thinking
- Use scientific knowledge when engaging in clinical reasoning
- Question assumptions and formulate hypothesis based on empirical data
- Synthesize theories and concepts in chemistry to build understanding of the human experience

6. How will students be assessed on the program learning outcomes?

Students will be evaluated in the clinical laboratory on their ability to integrate the outcomes learned, as they provide patient care.

7. Attach a curriculum map for the new program/concentration.

Please see the direction at the end of this proposal for how to upload your curriculum map document.

8. Does this change require new resources from the originating department or other departments (including the library)? If yes, please explain.

No additional resources will be needed.

9. Will the proposed changes impact the ability of students to complete degree requirements in a timely manner? How will the proposed changes impact requirements in other departments or programs?
This change will allow transfer students to complete the BSN quicker and accept more of their transfer credits. The change will have no impact on the freshman student’s completion of the BSN.

10. Attach a Clear Path Showcase for the new program/concentration. Please see the directions at the end of this proposal for how to upload your clear path document.

Direction for uploading supporting documents:
1. To upload your model syllabus to the folder for your proposal go to https://spaces.utc.edu/sites/UndergraduateProposal.
2. Next, click on the name of your proposal under “My Proposals”.
3. Click the “Documents” tab and then click the “Upload Document” tab.

**Important:** After completing your proposal you must start the *Curriculum Proposal Workflow*.

To begin workflow:
1. Click on the name of your proposal below.
2. Next, click the "Document Set Manage" tab in the ribbon at the top of the page and select the "Workflows" button.
3. Under "Start a New Workflow" click "Curriculum Proposal Workflow" and then click the "Start" button.

**Workflow Sequence for Full Proposal – Program Changes**
1. Department Head
2. College Curriculum Committee
3. College Dean
4. Other Areas Affected (If any)
5. Records Office
6. Associate Provost
Proposal Status: Workflow not started

7. Provost (if a fee will be assessed)
8. Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee
9. Faculty Senate