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Sent:Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:38 PMTo:fritcht@scf.edu; connelm@scf.eduCc:articulation; Henderson, Carrie

**Subject:** State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota Application for Revision of a Common

Prerequisite course for CIP 51.3801: Nursing A.S. to B.S. Program

Dr. Fritch,

The voting period for SCFMS's request for revision to the Common Prerequisites Manual ended on 3/16/2020. The State University System (SUS) nursing common prerequisite discipline committee members did not approve the request. However, the Florida College System nursing common prerequisite discipline committee members did approve or had no objections to the request resulting in a split-decision. SCFMS has the option to appeal to the Articulation Coordinating Oversight Committee. If you would like to proceed with an appeal, please reach out to the Office of Articulation (copied here) for steps moving forward with your appeal.

Please find below the rationale for the SUS not approving the request. The comments included:

- The NCLEX-RN exam is not an appropriate substitute for the common pre-requisite science requirement underpinning a BSN program;
- Another point is that the BSN is the foundation for graduate studies in Nursing (nurse practitioner, nurse
  anesthesiology) that often require strong science/chemistry as pre-requisites for advanced pathophysiology,
  pharmacology and health assessment. We actively encourage our pre-BSN students to complete Chemistry as
  they perform better in pharmacology and pathophysiology throughout the program and they will need it for
  graduate studies.
- I agree. I do not approve. The NCLEX-RN does not test Chemistry knowledge. Plus, the applicant may have taken Chemistry 20 or 30 years ago.
- The NCLEX-RN exam is not an appropriate substitute for the common pre-requisite science requirement underpinning a BSN Program.
- Chemstry is essential to the education of a baccalaureate prepared nurse. Therefore, we do not support this exception.
- We no longer have an AS-BS program, but when we had one, I know we did not substitute the NCLEX for any pre-requisite courses. Seems they should have the chemistry class as a pre-req for the AS.

Please do not hesitate to follow up should you have any questions.

Thank you, Mike

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Subject: State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota Application for Revision of a Common Prerequisite course for CIP

51.3801: Nursing A.S. to B.S. Program.

To: Florida Department of Education; Articulation Coordinating Committee

RE: State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota Application for Revision of a Common Prerequisite course for CIP 51.3801: Nursing A.S. to B.S. Program.

Please allow this correspondence and supporting documentation to serve as an official Application for Revision of a Common Prerequisite from the State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota.

The application is requesting substitution of a common prerequisite course within the SCF Nursing A.S to B.S. program, CIP Code: 51.3801. The current primary prerequisite includes 3-credit hours of any of the following courses:

- CHMXXXX
- BSCXXXX
- BCHXXXX
- PCBXXXX or
- PHYXXXX (3 credit hours)

The proposed substitution would allow for a passing score on the NCLEX-RN examination to meet this prerequisite requirement. All students entering the A.S to B.S. program at SCF must successfully pass the NCLEX-RN exam prior to enrollment. The program believes that successfully passing the NCLEX-RN examination demonstrates competency for this content area; and as such, wishes to substitute successful completion of the NCLEX-RN exam for this course requirement. This substitution option is currently approved at other Florida College System schools that offer similar A.S. to B.S. programs.

The proposal for the substitution was drafted by the RN-to-BSN Curriculum Committee and the RN-to-BSN Faculty group in 2019. The proposal was then presented to the Dean of Nursing and Health Professions, the Natural Science Department Chair, and the Associate Provost who approved and submitted the proposal to the SCF Curriculum Development and Review Committee (CDR). The proposal was approved by the CDR committee on December 9, 2019 and submitted to the SCF District Board of Trustees (BOT) for approval. The proposal was approved by the BOT on January 28, 2020.

Please find attached the Application to Revise a Common Prerequisite, a copy of the SCF CDR form, and the SCF CDR signature page.

If additional information is required please contact:

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Thank you in advance, we appreciate your review and consideration of this application.

Best, Dr. Fritch

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# Application to Revise a Common Prerequisites Substitution of a Common Prerequisite

Institution Requesting Modification: State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota

Degree Program Name: Nursing A.S. to B.S. CIP Code: 51.3801 Track: 2/2

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CIP	Title	Institution
51.3801; Track 2/2	Nursing, A.S. to B.S.	State College of Florida, Manatee-
		Sarasota

## **Proposed** Common Prerequisites substitution request

Current Primary Prerequisite	Proposed Substitution	Justification for the addition or deletion
<ul> <li>CHMXXXX</li> <li>BSCXXXX</li> <li>BCHXXXX</li> <li>PCBXXXX or</li> <li>PHYXXXX (3 credit hours)</li> </ul>	Passing scores on NCLEX-RN examination	Passing score on NCLEX-RN examination demonstrates competency in the content area.

#### Additional Justification

- The SCF RN-to-BSN Program is seeking substitution of a 3-credit hour common prerequisite course requirement within the areas listed above. The RN-to-BSN Curriculum Committee met, followed by the RNto-BSN Faculty group (November 13, 2019 and December 3, 2019; respectively) to discuss the need of the additional 3-credit hour natural science course requirement for the degree in the areas of (CHMXXXX, BSCXXXX, BCHXXXX, PCBXXXX or PHYXXXX).
- These two groups concluded that the 3-credit hour course fails to fulfill a SCF general education or Area V
  (Natural Science) requirement and fails to align to any nursing course in the RN-to-BSN program. This
  information was shared with Natural Science Department Chair and the Associate Provost.
- It was determined that the passing score on the NCLEX-RN examination could be utilized to demonstrate competency in the content area (CHMXXXX, BSCXXXX, BCHXXXX, PCBXXXX or PHYXXXX) for the BSN degree.
- This process aligns with area schools (SPC, FSWSC), and will eliminate transfer student confusion regarding the requirement.
- This proposal (passing scores on NCLEX-RN examination as a substitute for the Common Prerequisite -CHMXXXX, BSCXXXX, BCHXXXX, PCBXXXX or PHYXXXX) was presented to the SCF Curriculum Development and Review (CDR) Committee and received approval on December 9, 2019.
- The proposal was presented to the SCF District Board of Trustees (BOT) and was approved on January 28, 2020.

# FORM CDRRP

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PROPOSAL FOR REVISION OF A PROGRAM						
PROGRAM (PROPOSED) Nursing, A.S. to B.S.		51.3801	BS			
Title		CIP NUMBER	AS/BAS/BS/CC/ATC			
PROGRAM (CURRENT) Nursing, A.S. to B.S.  Title	8019 SCF Prog. #	51.3801 CIP NUMBER	BS AS/BAS/BS/CC/ATC			
DEPARTMENT Nursing & Health Professions						
Dr. Cathy King; Terri Hanlon on behalf of the BSN faculty	12.3.2019					
DEPARTMENT CHAR/PROGRAM DIRECTOR DATE	DEAN/Health Science Pro	DATE grams	12/6/19 DATE			
<ol> <li>PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FACTORS</li> <li>A. Students</li> <li>1. Target population: Will students be recruited from the market population</li> <li>2. Anticipated total declared majors per year: 210.</li> <li>B. Staff. Course taught by: existing full-time faculty, new</li> <li>C. Equipment. Existing equipment will be used X; new equipment furthermore, annual supplies and materials costs are esting.</li> <li>D. Library Print Materials. No new holding needed X; new how</li> <li>E. Library Non-Print Materials. No new materials needed X; respectively.</li> <li>F. Other resources needed: NONE.</li> </ol>	v full-time faculty, adjunct ment will be needed at an estimated to be:  Idings will be needed at an estimated;	faculty, <u>X</u> othe nated cost of _ mated cost of	 			
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