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**PROGRAM MODIFICATION FORM**

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1. **Contact Person** (Name, Email Address, Phone Number)

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1. **Proposed Change** (for undergraduate curricular changes please provide an 8-semester plan (appendix A), if applicable)

Update Admission MSN requirements

\*Update program name to include “Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner option”

\*Add statement and link for applicants for the Family Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Educator, or Nurse Administration programs

\*Change in the program requirements regarding overall GPA and number of undergraduate credit hours.

\*Delete graduate level descriptive and inferential statistics requirement

1. **Effective Date**

3/4/2021

1. **Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

This new admission requirements are based upon the most currently available literature that indicate successful completion of graduate nursing programs.

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions**  |
| **Please visit** [**http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot**](http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot) **and select the most recent version of the bulletin. Copy and paste all bulletin pages this proposal affects below. Please include a before (with changed areas highlighted) and after of all affected sections.** **\*Please note: Courses are often listed in multiple sections of the bulletin. To ensure that all affected sections have been located, please search the bulletin (ctrl+F) for the appropriate courses before submission of this form.**  |

**BEFORE - Pg. 238**

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students seeking admission into the Master of Science in Nursing program must meet the admission requirements of Graduate Admissions and the specific program requirements. Completed Graduate Admissions application forms and School of Nursing application forms must be received in Graduate Admissions by the deadline specific to each program for applicants seeking admission for full- or part-time study. Visit the A-State Graduate Admissions website [~~http://www.astate.edu/info/admissions/graduate~~](http://www.astate.edu/info/admissions/graduate), <http://www.astate.edu/college/conhp/departments/nursing/degrees/> for admission requirements and application deadlines.

Applicants to the (**Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner option**) MSN program complete the application process to the School of Nursing, including submission of the MSN application form and a personal interview. All students on admission are required to attend orientation to the MSN program. The MSN application form and admission requirements may be found on the School of Nursing website, http://www.astate.edu/college/conhp/departments/nursing/. Students are offered admission to their selected specialty only. Should the student desire to change specialty focus, the procedure and requirements may be found on the website.

**Applicants to the (Family Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Educator, or Nurse Administration) must apply at** [**https://admissions.astate.edu/apply/?sr=b3ce1088-adda-448d-9709-31eb1a903b43**](https://admissions.astate.edu/apply/?sr=b3ce1088-adda-448d-9709-31eb1a903b43)

In addition to the general requirements for graduate degrees conferred by Graduate Programs, applicants to the M.S.N. program must

 • Hold a Baccalaureate degree in nursing (BSN) from an accredited institution.

• Have a minimum overall Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.0 (4.0 scale) overall ~~or 3.0 on the last 60 hours of undergraduate work~~. to be consider for acceptance to the Nurse Educator or Nurse Administration option/certificate

* **Have a minimum overall Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.25 (4.0 scale) to be considered for acceptance to the Family Nurse Practitioner or the Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner option/certificate**

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 • ~~Have successfully completed a graduate-level descriptive and inferential statistics course with a grade of “B” or above. (For NA option only)~~

• Provide verification documentation of 1,500 RN practice hours prior to admission to the FNP/AGACNP options

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**Appendix A, 8-Semester Plan**

(**Referenced in #2** - **Undergraduate Proposals Only)**

*Instructions: Please identify new courses in italics*.

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| **Arkansas State University-Jonesboro****Degree:****Major:****Year:** |
| Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Developmental courses do not count toward total degree hours. **Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. In most cases, general education courses may be interchanged between semesters.** A minimum of 45 hours of upper division credit (3000-4000 level) is required for this degree. |
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