Policy G-4
FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF NURSING

TITLE: TRANSFER GRADUATE CREDITS

POLICY: Transfer of courses not counted toward a previous degree from another regionally accredited graduate school is limited to six semester hours. A maximum of 12 credit hours as a non-degree seeking student at Florida State University may apply toward a graduate degree in the College of Nursing.

Upon transcript evaluation, applicants to the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program who already have a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree from a program accredited by CCNE or NLN may be approved for maximum of 39 credits for the for Family Nurse Practitioner Major (FNP) and 36 credits for the Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP) Major and 675 clinical hours of transfer credit toward a the Family Nurse Practitioner Major and the Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Major. A minimum of 50% of earned credit hours and 325 clinical hours must be completed at Florida State University College of Nursing. In the DNP Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Major a maximum of 40 credits may be transfer and 42 credits hours and 540 clinical hours must be completed at Florida State University.

The work for graduate nursing degrees must be completed within seven (7) years from the time the student matriculates into the FSU graduate nursing program. Any graduate work transferred from another institution must commence not more than seven (7) years prior to completion of the degree for the credits to be applicable to the graduate nursing degree.

RATIONALE: University policy is that transfer of courses not counted toward a previous degree from another regionally accredited graduate school is limited to six semester hours and transfer of courses not counted toward a previous degree within Florida State University is limited to twelve semester hours, except when the departmental course requirement exceeds the thirty-two-hour University-wide minimum requirement. In the latter case, additional transfer credit may be allowed to the extent of the additional required hours. In all cases, the majority of credit must be earned through Florida State University. All transfer credit must: 1) be recommended by the major department; 2) be evaluated as graduate work by the evaluation section of the Office of Admission of Florida State University and, (3) have been completed with grades of 3.0 (“B”) or better.
PROCEDURE:

1. An applicant to the graduate nursing program must petition the Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs for acceptance of transfer credits and/or clinical hours and provide official transcripts, course descriptions, and course syllabi for review by the graduate nursing program.

2. The Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs will review the transcript, course descriptions, and course syllabi to determine equivalency of previous course work with current graduate nursing courses. The Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs will prepare a DNP Transfer Credit Approval Form for DNP applicants.

3. The Transfer Approval form and all supporting documents are submitted to the College of Nursing Graduate Curriculum Committee.

4. Following the approval of transfer credit hours by the College of Nursing Graduate Curriculum Committee, applicants are notified in writing of the number of transfer credits approved. A copy of the DNP Transfer Credit Approval Form is provided to DNP applicants indicating the number of approved transfer credit hours and clinical hours accepted by the College of Nursing.

5. Students must then meet with the Graduate Program Academic Advisor to redesign the Program of Study.

Approved:

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