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COLLEGE OF NURSING

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- TITLE:** **STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT SNA CONVENTIONS**
- POLICY:** Students attending state or national convention activities must have a passing grade and permission of the faculty in each course they will miss during the convention.
- RATIONALE:** Attending student nurses convention supports the student's development toward the following College of Nursing Program Outcomes:
1. Integrate knowledge, skills and values from liberal studies with nursing science to provide safe, effective nursing care.
 2. Assume basic organizational and leadership roles in the provision of high quality nursing care.
 3. Demonstrate beginning scholarship and analytical methods for evidence based nursing practice.
 4. Use information management and patient care technology to improve care delivery.
 5. Demonstrate understanding of the impact of health care policy, finance and regulatory environments on patient care and nursing practice.
 6. Use Interprofessional communication and collaboration skills to optimize patient health outcomes.
 7. Incorporate prevention of illness and population health strategies for optimizing health-related outcomes.
 8. Demonstrate professionalism; and
 9. Provide compassionate nursing care guided by a scientific base of knowledge.

PROCEDURE:

Students attending state or national convention activities will:

1. Obtain written permission from theory and clinical instructors prior to the planned absence using the Professional Meeting Clearance Form (see Attachment #1)
2. If traveling for SNA submit a Request to Travel Form (RTF) listing anticipated expenses to the SNA Faculty Advisor.
3. Students need to determine from faculty whether they will be required to make up missed clinical experiences missed by attending convention.

4. During attendance at national convention, students must:
 - a. attend the House of Delegates;
 - b. visit the exhibit hall;
 - c. attend focus session on each day of convention;
 - d. attend all plenary sessions; and
 - e. complete the Convention Report.

5. Complete the College of Nursing specified journaling activities while attending convention and submit to SNA Advisor. (see Attachment #2)

Approved by:

Faculty	1/30/04	4/18/08	8/11/10
Dean	2/27/04	4/18/08	8/11/10

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 Attachment #1

Professional Meeting Clearance Form

I am requesting permission to attend a professional nursing conference. I understand that to be absent from classes for this purpose, I must have the permission of my instructors. In addition, I acknowledge that I must have a passing grade in each course to be able to request an excused absence.

Student name: _____

Term: _____

Date(s) of absence: _____

Signature of student: _____

Dates away from class	Course:	Faculty Signature/ Permission:

One week prior to the intended absence, please return completed form to the Undergraduate Program Assistant, in room 402.

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Attachment #2

CONVENTION REPORT

Name: _____ Date: _____

Summarize the opening ceremony keynote address. What was the most important thing you learned from this presentation?

Summarize the plenary sessions you attended. What was the most important thing you learned from this presentation?

Summarize which exhibits you visited.

Summarize your experience in delegate credentialing.

Summarize the focus session that you attended. What was the most important thing you learned from this presentation?

Summarize the day's resolutions hearings.

Summarize the endnote address. What was the most important thing you learned from this presentation?

During the House of Delegates

Which resolutions presented could you most passionately support?

If you had the time, which resolutions would you write to your representatives about?
What would you say?

If you were to speak pro or con to one resolution, which one would you choose and what would you say?