

# FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY™

## Graduate Programs—PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST

UGPC APPROVAL \_\_\_\_\_  
 UFS APPROVAL \_\_\_\_\_  
 CATALOG \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT: NURSING

COLLEGE: CHRISTINE E. LYNN COLLEGE OF NURSING

PROGRAM NAME:  
 MSN

**EFFECTIVE DATE**  
 (PROVIDE TERM/YEAR)

\_\_\_\_ SPRING 2015 \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE EXPLAIN THE REQUESTED CHANGE(S) AND OFFER RATIONALE BELOW AND/OR ATTACHED:

CATALOG CHANGES: (SEE ATTACHED SHEET)

UNDER PRACTICUM REQUIREMENT REMOVE:

5. Complete background check. Annual renewal of the background check by an Oath and Affirmation Statement is required;  
 RENUMBER #6 TO #5

UNDER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS ADD:

12. A Level 2 (state/federal) criminal background check. (Costs are the responsibility of the applicant/student). Annual renewal by an Oath and Affirmation Statement is required.

**RATIONALE**

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ALL MSN STUDENTS WERE BEING ADMITTED CONDITIONALLY PENDING OUTCOME OF A LEVEL 2 BACKGROUND CHECK. THE CONDITIONAL ADMISSION WAS A PROBLEM ADMINISTRATIVELY TO TRACK AND INTERFERED WITH SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS. THE BACKGROUND CHECK WILL NOW BE COMPLETED AS AN ADMISSION REQUIREMENT.

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Consult and list departments that might be affected by the change and attach comments.

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UGPC Chair: [Signature]

Graduate College Dean: [Signature]

UFS President: \_\_\_\_\_

Provost: \_\_\_\_\_

*Date:*

10/2/14

10/3/14

10/6/14

10/8/14

10-15-14

### **Admission Requirements**

1. Earned B.S.N. from an accredited bachelor's program in nursing.
2. Minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for the final 60 baccalaureate-level course credits in the B.S.N. program, or
3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores are required for applicants with a grade point average of less than 3.0.
4. Basic undergraduate statistics course.
5. Baccalaureate-level, upper-division nursing research course.
6. Résumé or Curriculum vitae (CV) presented in specified format located on the website.
7. A written essay describing the student's philosophy of nursing (see essay criteria below). Please do not use FAU form letter.
8. One letter of recommendation (see criteria for letter below).
9. Current RN licensure to practice nursing.
10. An interview and on-site writing sample may be required.
11. Practice experience is not required but may be considered as part of the overall quality of the application.
12. A Level 2 (state/federal) criminal background check. (Costs are the responsibility of the applicant/student). Annual renewal is required.

### **Practicum Requirements**

Prior to entering any practicum course for graduate study, students are required to submit the following documentation:

1. Annual student health form (current within the last year);
2. Proof of personal medical insurance;
3. Current CPR certification (BLS);
4. Signed statement to the effect that OSHA/ HIPAA/Safety requirements have been read;
- ~~5. Complete background check. Annual renewal of the background check by an Oath and Affirmation Statement is required;~~
5. Copy of current license as a registered nurse in the state in which practicum course will be completed. All Nurse Practitioner students must be licensed in Florida.

All aforementioned data must be current throughout the program of study.