

# FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY™

## Graduate Programs—PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST

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

DEPARTMENT:	COLLEGE: CHRISTINE E LYNN COLLEGE OF NURSING
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PROGRAM NAME: DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE FORM	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b> (PROVIDE TERM/YEAR)  _____
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PLEASE EXPLAIN THE REQUESTED CHANGE(S) AND OFFER RATIONALE BELOW AND/OR ATTACHED:

CATALOG CHANGE  
 UNDER ADMISSION FOR DNP PROGRAM REQUIREMENT REMOVE  
 8. COMPLETE BACKGROUND CHECK

UNDER ADMISSION FOR BSN TO DNP REQUIREMENT REMOVE  
 8. Complete background check

UNDER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS TO BOTH DNP AND BSN TO DNP ADD:

8. 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:  
 PREVIOUSLY, DNP APPLICANTS WERE BEING ADMITTED CONDITIONALLY PENDING OUTCOME OF A LEVEL 2 BACKGROUND CHECK. THE CONDITIONAL ADMISSION WAS A PROBLEM ADMINISTRATIVELY TO TRACK AND INTERFERED WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS. THE BACKGROUND CHECK WILL NOW BE COMPLETED AS AN ADMISSION REQUIREMENT.

Faculty contact, email and complete phone number: Susan Bulfin <a href="mailto:sbulfin@fau.edu">sbulfin@fau.edu</a> 561 297 3600	Consult and list departments that might be affected by the change and attach comments. N/A
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<b>Approved by:</b> Department Chair: <u>Susan Bulfin</u> College Curriculum Chair: <u>JHP</u> College Dean: <u>Karen Edwards</u> UGPC Chair: <u>[Signature]</u> Graduate College Dean: <u>[Signature]</u> UFS President: _____ Provost: _____	<b>Date:</b> <u>11/20/14</u> <u>11/24/14</u> <u>11/24/14</u> <u>12/3/14</u> <u>12-10-14</u> _____ _____
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Email this form and syllabus to [UGPC@fau.edu](mailto:UGPC@fau.edu) **one week before** the University Graduate Programs Committee meeting so that materials may be viewed on the UGPC website prior to the meeting.

## **Bachelor of Science in Nursing to Doctor of Nursing Practice**

### **Admission Requirements**

1. A Bachelor of Science in Nursing from a university or college of nursing program accredited by the National League for Nursing or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Official copies of transcripts from all post-secondary institutions of education should be sent directly to the University's Graduate College. The University will not be able to accept applications without an official unopened transcript from each institution attended since high school.
2. A minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA in the nursing bachelor's program.
3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores. The GRE or MAT is required by the State of Florida.
4. Curriculum vitae; required format available on the website.
5. Three letters of recommendation from academic and professional references, one from a bachelor's program professor holding a doctorate (see guidelines on website).
6. A copy of one example of work that depicts a culminating scholarly product from the bachelor's program. Examples: thesis, project, manuscript for evidenced-based research course, paper/manuscript for inquiry practicum.
7. A typed statement of the applicant's goals for the doctoral degree (12-point font, double-spaced, no more than 500 words).
8. ~~Complete background check.~~
9. Copy of current licensure in the State of Florida as a Registered Nurse. This must remain active throughout the program.

**Note:** The B.S.N. to D.N.P. program is designed for full-time study.

Admission to the D.N.P. program will be for the fall and spring semesters each year. Applications must first be submitted to the University's Graduate College before completing the College of Nursing application. Evidence of the following information is required in the admissions process:

## DNP Program Admission Requirements

1. Master's degree with a Major in Nursing from a university or college of nursing program accredited by the National League for Nursing or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Official copies of transcripts from all post-secondary institutions of education should be sent directly to the University's Graduate College. The University will not be able to accept applications without an official unopened transcript from each institution attended since high school.
2. A minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA in the nursing master's program.
3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores of at least 153 (verbal) and 144 (quantitative) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) scores. The GRE or MAT is required by the State of Florida.
4. Curriculum vitae; required format available on the website.
5. Three letters of recommendation from academic and professional references, one from a master's program professor holding a doctorate (see guidelines on website).
6. A copy of one example of work that depicts a culminating scholarly product from the master's program. Examples: thesis, project, manuscript for evidenced-based research course, paper/manuscript for inquiry practicum.
7. A typed statement of the applicant's goals for the doctoral degree (12-point font, double-spaced, no more than 500 words).
- ~~8. Complete background check.~~
9. National certification in Advanced Practice Nursing or Administration.
10. Copy of current licensure in the State of Florida as a Registered Nurse. This must remain active throughout the program.
11. Complete Verification of Post-Baccalaureate Clinical and Practice Hours form.

Note: The D.N.P. program is designed for part-time study.