

GEORGIA'S PUBLIC LIBERAL ARTS UNIVERSITY

GCSU School of Nursing FY 2022-2023 Systematic Program Evaluation Plan

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Standard I: Mission and Governance

The mission, goals, and expected program outcomes are congruent with those of the parent institution, reflect professional nursing standards and guidelines, and consider the needs and expectations of the community of interest. Policies of the parent institution and nursing program clearly support the program's mission, goals, and expected outcomes. The faculty and students of the program are involved in the governance of the program and in the ongoing efforts to improve program quality.

I-A. Key Element:

The mission, goals, and expected program outcomes are:

- 1. Congruent with those of the parent institution
- 2. Reviewed periodically and revised as appropriate

I-A elaboration: The program's mission, goals, and expected program outcomes are written and accessible to current and prospective students, faculty, and other constituents. Program outcomes include student outcomes, faculty outcomes, and other outcomes identified by the program. The mission may relate to all nursing programs offered by the nursing unit or specific programs may have separate mission statements. Program goals are clearly differentiated by level when multiple degree/certificate programs exist. Expected program outcomes may be expressed as competencies, objectives, benchmarks, or other terminology congruent with institutional and program norms.

There is a defined process for periodic review and revision of program mission, goals, and expected program outcome that has been implemented, as appropriate.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Congruency found in handbooks, online SON, CoHS, and GCSU Websites GCSU Catalog, SON shared drive: Minutes of NFO and EE Committees	Mission is reviewed every five years OR as needed to remain congruent with GCSU and the CoHS	Director of SON Assistant Directors of Undergraduate and Graduate Programs Curriculum, Graduate, and EE Committees	The SON mission, goals, and expected outcomes will be fully congruent with GCSU and CoHS and will be reviewed every five years or as needed.	The SON mission is fully congruent with GCSU and COHS, and AACN Essentials are incorporated into all program outcomes. BSN Curriculum was last revised in 2016-2017 and is currently under revision to keep with review every five years.

	An additional, accelerated cohort was added to the BSN program in Summer of 2022. The first students from this cohort graduated in August 2023.
	MSN was formally reviewed in 2018 and program outcomes were updated. New program outcomes were implemented in Fall 2019. Program outcomes and curriculum are currently under review.
	DNP Curriculum was revised in 2016-2017 and changes became effective Fall 2018. The first cohort to graduate was in May of 2020. Program outcomes and curriculum are currently under review.

I-B Key Element:

The mission, goals, and expected program outcomes are consistent with relevant professional nursing standards and guidelines for the preparation of nursing professionals.

Elaboration: The program identifies the professional nursing standards and guidelines it uses. CCNE requires, as appropriate, the following professional nursing standards and guidelines:

The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice [American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), 2008];

The Essentials of Master's Education in Nursing (AACN, 2011);

The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (AACN, 2006); and

Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs [National Task Force on Quality Nurse Practitioner Education (NTF), 2016].

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
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Professional standards are	Curricula are reviewed	Director of SON	The SON mission, goals, and	
incorporated into BSN, MSN,	every five years.	Director of SOIN	expected outcomes will be	BSN Curriculum was revised
DNP, and Post- Master's	every nive years.	Assistant Directors of	reviewed every five years	in 2016-2017 and became
APRN Certificate curricula		Undergraduate and	or as needed to ensure	effective Fall 2018. The first
found in curricular mapping		Graduate Programs	consistency with relevant	cohort under the new
spreadsheets.		Graduate Programs	professional nursing	curriculum graduated in May
spreadsheets.		Currienters Caretarte		2020. The Curriculum
The Essentials of		Curriculum, Graduate,	standards and guidelines for the preparation of nursing	
		and EE Committees	1 1 0	Committee is currently
Baccalaureate Education			professionals.	reviewing/revising curriculum
for Professional Nursing				to be complete in Spring 2024.
Practice [American				MONT Community 1
Association of Colleges				MSN was formally reviewed
of Nursing (AACN),				in 2018 and program
2008];				outcomes were updated. New
The Free distance				program outcomes were
The Essentials of				implemented in Fall 2019.
Master's Education in				Program outcomes and
Nursing (AACN, 2011);				curriculum are currently under
The Essentials of				review.
Doctoral Education				
				DNP Curriculum was revised
for Advanced				in 2016-2017 and changes
Nursing Practice				became effective Fall 2018.
(AACN, 2006); and				The first cohort to graduate
Criteria for Evaluation of				under the revised curriculum
Nurse Practitioner Programs				was in May of 2020. Program
[National Task Force on				outcomes and curriculum are
Quality Nurse Practitioner				currently under review.
Education (NTF), 2016].				
I-C Key Element:				
The mission, goals, and expected	ed program outcomes reflect	the needs and expectations of	the community of interest.	

I-C elaboration: The community of interest is defined by the nursing unit. The needs and expectations of the community of interest are considered in the periodic review of the mission, goals, and expected program outcomes.

review of the mission, goals, and expected program outcomes.					
Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome	
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Compliance Assist, SON	Mission, goals, and	Director of SON	The mission, goals, and		
shared drive: Minutes of	expected student outcomes		expected student outcomes	2022 Surveys were sent and	
NFO Committees, Teaching	are reviewed every five	Assistant Directors of	will be reviewed every five	analyzed to assess the needs	

	years OR as needed.	Undergraduate and	years or as needed and	and expectations of SON
Communities, Advisory		Graduate Programs	revised, as appropriate, to	community interest. Surveys
Board.	Course outcomes are		reflect the needs and	were sent to current students,
	reviewed every semester	All faculty, students, and	expectations of the	faculty, alumni, and
	by the course coordinator,	communities of interest.	community of interest.	community stakeholders.
	teaching communities,			
	Curriculum or Graduate			This data analysis was
	Committee, and EE			reported to appropriate SON
	Committee.			committees and responsible
				person(s) in Fall 2022, to work
				on any issues that were noted.
				Revisions will be made to the
				surveys prior to being
				distributed again in Fall 2025
				to further enhance the quality
				of information obtained. The
				SON Advisory Board will
				meet in Fall 2024 and provide
				additional input into survey
				revisions.

I-D Key Element:

Expected faculty outcomes are clearly identified by the nursing unit, written and communicated to the faculty, and congruent with institutional expectations.

I-D elaboration: The nursing unit identifies expectations for faculty, whether in teaching, scholarship, service, practice, or other areas. Such expectations may vary for different groups of faculty (full-time, part-time, adjunct, tenured, non-tenured, or other). Expected faculty outcomes are congruent with those of the parent institution.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
CoHS Tenure and Promotion	Every Spring semester	Director of SON, EE	Faculty outcomes will be	
Guidelines, Faculty		Committee, all Faculty.	achieved annually. Faculty	All faculty are evaluated
Development Standards,			outcomes are listed in	annually.
Annual Faculty Evaluations,			Standards IV-G and IV-H.	
Digital Measures, Faculty				Faculty outcomes are
Outcomes document				addressed in Standard IV-F.
				Due to changes in
				administration, faculty
				evaluations were delayed for

		the 2022 – 2023 AY.

I-E Key Element:

Faculty and students participate in program governance.

I-E elaboration: Roles of the faculty and students in the governance of the program, including those involved in distance education, are clearly defined and promote participation. Nursing faculty are involved in the development, review, and revision of academic program policies.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
SON shared drive: Minutes of NFO Committees, Teaching Communities, Advisory Board, student groups.	Every semester	EE Committee	NFO Bylaws will include mechanisms for student involvement in program governance.	NFO Bylaws include mechanisms for student involvement in program governance.
			Student participation in program governance will be reflected in at least 50% of NFO meetings.	Fully met: Student participation is reflected in 100% of NFO meetings.

I-F Key Element:

Academic policies of the parent institution and the nursing program are congruent and support achievement of the mission, goals, and expected program outcomes. These policies are:

- 1. Fair and equitable
- 2. Published and accessible
- 3. Reviewed and revised as necessary to foster program improvement

I-F elaboration: Academic policies include, but are not limited to, those related to student recruitment, admission, retention, and progression. Policies are written and communicated to relevant constituencies. Policies are implemented consistently. Differences between the nursing program policies and those of the parent institution are identified and support achievement of the program's mission, goals, and expected outcomes. A defined process exists by which policies are regularly reviewed. Policy review occurs and revisions are made as needed.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
GCSU Catalog: Academic	Every Spring semester	Policy Committee	Academic policies of the	
policies, Student Handbooks,			parent institution and the	Documents and publications
SON Website			nursing program will be	were reviewed and changes

Policy Committee Minutes		reviewed annually.	made as needed.
will reflect review.			A process is used to notify constituents about changes in documents and publications.
			Fully met: Policies are reviewed by the Policy Committee annually.

I-G Key Element:

The program defines and reviews formal complaints according to established policies.

I-G elaboration: The program defines what constitutes a formal complaint and maintains a record of formal complaints received. The program's definition of formal complaints includes, at a minimum, student complaints. The program's definition of formal complaints and the procedures for filing a complaint are communicated to relevant constituencies.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome		
Found						
GCSU Policy Manual,	Ongoing	Associate Directors for	Review of student			
Student handbooks, Files in		Undergraduate and	complaints includes	Fully met: All student		
SON Director's office.		Graduate Programs	recommendations for	complaints or grievances are reviewed and addressed.		
			ongoing program	Tevrewed and addressed.		
		SON Director	improvement, when			
			indicated.			

I-H Key Element:

Documents and publications are accurate. A process is used to notify constituents about changes in documents and publications.

I-H elaboration: References to the program's offerings, outcomes, accreditation/approval status, academic calendar, recruitment and admission policies, grading policies, degree/certificate completion requirements, tuition, and fees are accurate. Information regarding licensure and/or certification examinations for which graduates will be eligible is accurate. For APRN education programs, transcripts or other official documentation specify the APRN role and population focus of the graduate.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
GCSU, CoHS and SON	Every Spring semester	Director SON Assistant	Documents and publications	
Websites, GCSU Catalogs,			will be reviewed annually for	Met: Documents and
Student Handbooks		Directors for Undergraduate	accuracy.	publications were reviewed and changes made as needed.
		and Graduate Programs		and changes made as needed.

			A process will be used to notify constituents about changes in documents and publications.	Met: A process is used to notify constituents about changes in documents and publications.
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Standard II: Program Quality: Institutional Commitment and Resources

The parent institution demonstrates ongoing commitment to and support for the nursing program. The institution makes resources available to enable the program to achieve its mission, goals, and expected outcomes. The faculty, as a resource of the program, enable the achievement of the mission, goals, and expected program outcomes.

Key Element	Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
II-A. Fiscal and physical resources are sufficient to enable the program to fulfill its mission, goals, and expected outcomes. Adequacy of resources is reviewed periodically and resources are modified as needed.	Annual and ongoing budget, SON shared drive:Minutes of EE &APR committees	Annually	Director SON, APR Committee.	The Director will review fiscal and physical resources annually for sufficiency.	Met: The Director reviews fiscal and physical resources annually for sufficiency. FY 2022:
			EE Committee will survey all students and faculty every three years to gather input into resource adequacy. The next survey of faculty and students is due in 2025.	Faculty and students will have input into reviewing resources: faculty and student respondents' ratings will have a mean score of 4 of > (agree or strongly agree) with Standard II- A.	Faculty (16): 4.06 BSN (42): 4.02 MSN (26): 3.83 DNP (8): 4.13 Not met: MSN students rating is less than 4. This could be due to online status and not needing physical resources. MSN faculty will ensure students are aware of resources provided. See details from Satisfaction Survey
					Analysis in appendix.
Key Element	Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome

minutes of EE & APR committees		APR Committee and Graduate Committee annually	The APR Committee and Graduate Committee will review academic support services annually for sufficiency.	The APR committee and Graduate Committee reviewed academic support services and they were found to be sufficient.
		EE Committee will survey all students and faculty every three years to gather input into academic support adequacy. The next survey of faculty and students is due in 2021.	Faculty and students will have input into reviewing academic support services: faculty and student respondents' ratings will have a mean score of 4 of > (agree or strongly agree) with Standard II- B.	FY 2022: Faculty (16): 4.06 BSN (42): 4.02 MSN (26): 3.83 DNP (8): 4.13 Not met: MSN students rating is less than 4. This could be due to online status and not needing physical resources. See details from Satisfaction Survey Analysis in appendix.
Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON shared drive: minutes of EE & APR committees	Every Fall semester	APR Committee and Graduate Committee annually EE Committee will survey all students and	The APR Committee and Graduate will review academic support services annually for sufficiency. Faculty and students will have input into	The APR Committee and Graduate Committee reviewed academic support services and they were found to be sufficient. FY 2022:
	committees Where Documentation is Found SON shared drive: minutes of EE & APR	committees Image: Committees Image: Committees Image: Committees	committeesCommittee annuallycommitteesEE Committee will survey all students and faculty every three years to gather input into academic support adequacy. The next survey of faculty and students is due in 2021.Where Documentation is FoundTimeline for CollectionWho is Responsible APR Committee and Graduate Committee and Graduate Committee annuallySON shared drive: minutes of EE & APR committeesEvery Fall semester and Graduate Committee annuallyAPR Committee and Graduate Committee annually	committeesCommittee annuallyCommittee will services annually for sufficiency.EE Committee will survey all students and faculty every three years to gather input into academic support adequacy. The next survey of faculty and students is due in 2021.Faculty and students will have input into reviewing academic support services: faculty and students is due in 2021.Where Documentation is FoundTimeline for CollectionWho is Responsible and Graduate and Graduate Committee and Graduate with Standard II- B.SON shared drive: minutes of EE & APR committeesEvery Fall semester and Graduate Committee annuallyAPR Committee and Graduate Committee annuallyThe APR Committee and Graduate committee annuallyEE Committee suilly annuallyEE Committee will survey all students and Graduate will review academic surficiency.Faculty and students will have input into

	years to gather input	support services:	
	into academic support adequacy.	faculty and student respondents' ratings	Faculty (16):4.06
	The next survey of faculty and	will have a mean score of 4 of > (agree or	Advising:
	students is due in 2025.	strongly agree) with Standard II- C.	BSN (42): 4.17
	2023.	Standard II- C.	MSN (26):3.92
			DNP (8):4.29
			Career Services:
			BSN (42): 4.02
			MSN (26): 3.50
			DNP (8): 3.63
			Counseling:
			BSN (42): 3.86
			MSN (26): 3.69
			DNP (8): 3.86
			Library:
			BSN (42): 4.26
			MSN (26): 4.04
			DNP (8):4.50
			Not met: Future surveys will omit questions regarding advising, career center, and counseling on

					graduate student
Key Element	Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	surveys. Actual Outcome
II-D. The chief nurse administrator: is a registered nurse (RN); holds a graduate degree in nursing; is academically and experientially qualified to accomplish the mission, goals, and expected program outcomes; is vested with the administrative authority to accomplish the mission, goals, and expected program outcomes; provides effective leadership to the nursing unit in achieving its mission, goals, and expected program outcomes.	Office of Dean CoHS	Every Spring semester	Dean CoHS, APR Committee	The Director will meet all requirements and have comparable authority to that of other unit administrators at GCSU.	The Director meets all requirements and has comparable authority to that of other unit administrators at GCSU.
Key Element	Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
II-E. Faculty members are:1. sufficient in number to accomplish the mission, goals, and expected	Budget, Digital Measures, Semester Schedule of Classes, Table of faculty expertise and teaching	Ongoing	Director SON, APR Committee	100% of faculty will have academic degrees or alternative credentials, practice experience and	Met: 100% (28) of faculty have academic degrees or alternative credentials, practice

program outcomes; 2. academically prepared for the areas in which they teach; and experientially prepared for the areas in which they teach.	assignments			expertise appropriate for their teaching assignments. 100% of tenure- track faculty will have teaching assignments that do not exceed 12 credit hours per semester or 24 credit hours per academic year. (Faculty may contract for additional teaching assignments).	experience and expertise appropriate for their teaching assignments. Met: 100% (20) of tenure-track faculty have teaching assignments that do not exceed 12 credit hours per semester or 24 credit hours per academic year. (Faculty may contract for additional teaching assignments).
				100% of Non- Tenure Track faculty will have teaching assignments that do not exceed 15 credit hours per semester or 30 per academic year. (Faculty may contract for additional teaching assignments)	Met: 100% (8) of non- tenure track faculty had teaching assignments that did not exceed 15 credit hours per semester or 30 credit hours per academic year.
Key Element	Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
	Found	Collection	Responsible		Actual Outcome
II-F. When used by the	Office of the Director	Ongoing	Curriculum		
program, preceptors, as an	of the School of		committee will	100% of Preceptor	Met : 100% of
extension of faculty, are	Nursing (minutes &		review course	qualification records	Preceptor Qualification
academically and	annual reports of all		reports for	will meet standards.	records met standards.
experientially qualified for	committees)		undergraduate		
their role in assisting in the	0.07 0.1 5		precepted		
achievement of the mission,	Office of the Dean		courses.		
goals, and expected student	of the CoHS (official				

outcomes	agency contracts) Minutes of EE and Graduate Committee Course report for NRSG 4981 Course reports for graduate clinical courses.		Graduate Committee will review graduate course reports for precepted courses. Minutes will reflect that preceptor qualification records meet		
	Online Clinical Tracking System for		standards.		
	Graduate Programs		***	E 10 1	
Key Element	Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
II-G. The parent institution and program provide and support an environment that encourages faculty teaching, scholarship, service, and practice in keeping with the mission, goals, and expected faculty outcomes.	Digital Measures, Budget, Faculty Annual Evaluations, Class Schedules, Annual faculty survey	Ongoing	Director SON, Director Center for Teaching and Learning, Academic Affairs. EE Committee will survey all students and faculty every three years to gather input into resource adequacy. The next survey of faculty and students is due in 2025.	Faculty will be supported in teaching, scholarship, and service endeavors: Faculty respondents rating will reflect a mean score of 4 or > (agree or strongly agree) with standard II- G.	Faculty are supported in teaching, scholarship, and service endeavors: Not Met : Faculty respondents' rating on 2022 surveys reflected a mean score of 3.88 (16) agree with Standard II-G. This outcome will be monitored in the future.

Standard III: Program Quality: Curriculum and Teaching-Learning Practices

The curriculum is developed in accordance with the mission, goals, and expected aggregate student outcomes and reflects professional nursing standards and guidelines and the needs and expectations of the community of interest. Teaching-learning practices are congruent with expected individual student learning outcomes and expected aggregate student outcomes. The environment for teaching-learning fosters achievement of expected individual student learning outcomes.

III-A Key Element:

The curriculum is developed, implemented, and revised to reflect clear statements of expected student outcomes that:

- 1. Are congruent with the program's mission and goals
- 2. Are congruent with the roles for which the program is preparing its graduates
- 3. Considers the needs of the program-identified community of interest

III-A elaboration: Curricular objectives (e.g., course, unit, and/or level objectives or competencies as identified by the program) provide clear statements of expected learning that relate to student outcomes. Expected outcomes relate to the roles for which students are being prepared.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Student handbooks		SON Director		
University online assessment tool SON shared drive: aggregate student outcomes in EE, Curriculum, Graduate, and	Baccalaureate, Master's, DNP, and Post-Master's APRN Certificate program curricula are reviewed every five years or as needed to comply with national standards.	SON Assistant Directors for Undergraduate and Graduate Programs Curriculum/Graduate Committees	The curricula will be fully congruent with expected student outcomes, the SON mission and goals, and with the role for which the program is preparing its graduates.	BSN curriculum was revised in AY 2016-2017 and became effective Fall 2018. The Curriculum Committee is currently reviewing/revising curriculum to be complete in Spring 2024.
NFO Committee Minutes	Course outcomes are reviewed every semester by the course faculty and Curriculum or Graduate Committee.	All faculty	All programs will be reviewed at least every five years or as needed to comply with GCSU and/or CoHS	MSN curriculum was formally reviewed in 2018 and program outcomes were updated. New program outcomes were implemented in Fall 2019. The Curriculum Committee is currently reviewing/revising NP

	curriculum to be complete in Spring 2024.
	Curricula was reviewed in the NM-MSN program in 2022 to update to the new Basic Midwifery Core Competencies published in 2020.
III B Koy Flomonte	DNP curriculum was formally reviewed in 2016-2017 and changes became effective Fall 2018. The first cohort to graduate with these changes was in May of 2020. The Curriculum Committee is currently reviewing/revising curriculum to be complete in Spring 2024.

III-B Key Element:

Baccalaureate curricula are developed, implemented, and revised to reflect relevant professional nursing standards and guidelines, which are clearly evident within the curriculum and within the expected student outcomes (individual and aggregate). Baccalaureate program curricula incorporate *The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice* (AACN, 2008).

III-B elaboration: The Baccalaureate degree program incorporates professional nursing standards and guidelines relevant to that program and each track offered. The program clearly demonstrates where and how content, knowledge, and skills required by identified sets of standards are incorporated into the curriculum.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Baccalaureate program	BSN curricula are reviewed	SON Director		
and course outcomes	every five years or as		Baccalaureate curricula will	BSN curriculum was revised in
	needed to comply with	SON Assistant	undergo a formal review	AY 2016-2017 and became
Student handbooks	GCSU and/or CoHS.	Director for	and/or revision every five	effective Fall 2018. The
		Undergraduate	years or as needed to	Curriculum Committee is
SON shared drive: Minutes			comply with GCSU and/or	currently reviewing/revising
NFO, Curriculum Committee	Course outcomes are	Curriculum	CoHS.	curriculum to be complete in
	reviewed every semester by	Committee		Spring 2024.
	the course faculty and			

Curriculum Committee.	All faculty teaching in the Baccalaureate program	The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice (AACN, 2008) will be incorporated into the Baccalaureate curricula.	The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice (AACN, 2008) are incorporated into the Baccalaureate curricula.
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III-C Key Element:

Master's curricula are developed, implemented, and revised to reflect relevant professional nursing standards and guidelines, which are clearly evident within the curriculum and within the expected student outcomes (individual and aggregate).

Master's program curricula incorporate professional standards and guidelines as appropriate.

- a. All master's degree programs incorporate *The Essentials of Master's Education in Nursing* (AACN, 2011) and additional relevant professional standards and guidelines as identified by the program.
- b. All master's degree programs that prepare nurse practitioners incorporate *Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs* (NTF, 2016).
- c. All master's degree programs that prepare nurse midwives incorporate American College of Nurse Midwives Core Competencies for Basic Midwifery Practice. (ACNM, 2020)

Graduate-entry program curricula incorporate The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice (AAC	N, 2008) and
appropriate graduate program standards and guidelines.	

III-C elaboration: The master's degree program incorporates professional nursing standards and guidelines relevant to that program and each track offered. The program clearly demonstrates where and how content, knowledge, and skills required by identified sets of standards are incorporated into the curricula.

Master's degree APRN education programs (i.e., Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Anesthesia, Nurse Midwife, and Nurse Practitioner) incorporate separate comprehensive graduate level courses to address the APRN core, defined as follows:

- Advanced physiology/pathophysiology, including general principles that apply across the lifespan
- Advanced health assessment, which includes assessment of all human systems, advanced assessment techniques, concepts and approaches
- Advanced pharmacology, which includes pharmacodynamics, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacotherapeutics of all broad categories of agents

Additional APRN core content specific to the role and population is integrated throughout the other role and population-focused didactic and clinical courses.

Master's degree programs that have a direct care focus but are not APRN education programs (e.g., nursing education and Clinical Nurse Leader), incorporate graduate level content addressing the APRN core. They are not required to offer this content as three separate courses.

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Master's program and	MSN curricula are	SON Director		
course outcomes	reviewed every five years		Master's curricula will	MSN curriculum was formally
	or as needed to comply	SON Assistant	undergo a formal review	reviewed in 2018 and program
Student handbook	with GCSU and/or CoHS.	Director for Graduate	and/or revision every five	outcomes were updated. New
			years or as needed to	program outcomes were
SON shared drive:	Course outcomes are	FNP/PMHNP/WHNP	comply with GCSU and/or	implemented in Fall 2019. The
Minutes NFO, Graduate	reviewed every semester by	/NM/NE Program	CoHS.	Curriculum Committee is
Committee	the course faculty and	Coordinators		currently reviewing/revising NP
	Graduate Committee.			curriculum to be complete in
		Graduate Committee		Spring 2024.
			The AACN Master's	Curricula was reviewed in 2022
		All faculty teaching in the	Essentials will be	for the NM-MSN program to
		Master's program	incorporated into all	update to the new Basic
			Master's curricula. The	Midwifery Core Competencies
			NONPF Guidelines will be	published in 2020.
			incorporated into all APRN	1
			curricula.	

III-D Key Element:

DNP curricula are developed, implemented, and revised to reflect relevant professional nursing standards and guidelines, which are clearly evident within the curriculum and within the expected student outcomes (individual and aggregate).

Graduate-entry DNP program curricula incorporate *The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice* (AACN, 2008) and appropriate graduate program standards and guidelines.

DNP program curricula incorporate professional standards and guidelines as appropriate.

- a. All DNP programs incorporate *The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advancing Nursing Practice* (AACN, 2006) and additional relevant professional standards and guidelines if identified by theprogram.
- b. All DNP programs that prepare nurse practitioners incorporate Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs (NTF, 2016).

III-D elaboration: The DNP program incorporates professional nursing standards and guidelines relevant to that program and each track offered. The program clearly demonstrates where and how content, knowledge, and skills required by identified sets of standards are incorporated into the curricula.

DNP APRN education programs (i.e., Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Anesthesia, Nurse Midwife, and Nurse Practitioner) incorporate separate comprehensive graduate level courses to address the APRN core, defined as follows:

- Advanced physiology/pathophysiology, including general principles that apply across the lifespan
- Advanced health assessment, which includes assessment of all human systems, advanced assessment techniques, concepts and approaches
- Advanced pharmacology, which includes pharmacodynamics, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacotherapeutics of all broad categories of agents.

Additional APRN core content specific to the role and population is integrated throughout the other role and population-focused didactic and clinical courses.

Separate courses in advanced physiology/pathophysiology, advanced health assessment, and advanced pharmacology are not required for students enrolled in post-master's DNP programs who hold current national certification as advanced practice nurses, unless the program has deemed this necessary.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	
Found		-		Actual Outcome
DNP program and course outcomes Student handbook SON shared drive: Minutes NFO, Graduate Committee	DNP curricula are reviewed every five years or as needed to comply with GCSU and/or CoHS. Course outcomes are reviewed every semester by the course faculty and Graduate Committee	SON Assistant Director for Graduate DNP Program Coordinator Graduate Committee All faculty teaching in the DNP program	DNP curricula will undergo a formal review and/or revision every five years or as needed to comply with GCSU and/or CoHS.	DNP curriculum was formally reviewed in 2016-2017 and changes became effective Fall 2018. The first cohort to graduate with these changes was in May of 2020. The Curriculum Committee is currently reviewing/revising curriculum to be complete in Spring 2024.
			The AACN DNP Essentials will be incorporated into DNP curricula.	The AACN DNP Essentials are incorporated into DNP curricula.

III-E Key Element:

Post-graduate APRN certificate program curricula are developed, implemented, and revised to reflect relevant professional nursing standards and guidelines, which are clearly evident within the curriculum and within the expected student outcomes (individual and aggregate). Post-graduate APRN certificate programs that prepare nurse practitioners incorporate *Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs* (NTF, 2016).

III-E elaboration: The post-graduate APRN certificate program incorporates professional nursing standards and guidelines relevant to that program and each track offered. The program clearly demonstrates where and how content, knowledge, and skills required by identified sets of standards are incorporated into the curricula.

APRN education programs (i.e., Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Anesthesia, Nurse Midwife, and Nurse Practitioner) incorporate separate comprehensive graduate level courses to address the APRN core, defined as follows:

- Advanced physiology/pathophysiology, including general principles that apply across the lifespan
- Advanced health assessment, which includes assessment of all human systems, advanced assessment techniques, concepts and approaches

• Advanced pharmacology, which includes pharmacodynamics, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacotherapeutics of all broad categories of agents

Additional APRN core content specific to the role and population is integrated throughout the other role and population-focused didactic and clinical courses. Separate courses in advanced physiology/pathophysiology, advanced health assessment, and advanced pharmacology are not required for students enrolled in post-master's DNP programs who hold current national certification as advanced practice nurses, unless the program has deemed this necessary.

post-master's DNP programs who hold current national certification as advanced practice nurses, unless the program has deemed this necessary.				
Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
Post-Master's APRN	Post-Master's APRN	SON Director		
Certificate program and	Certificate program curricula		Post-Master's APRN	Post-Master's APRN Certificate
course outcomes	are reviewed every five years	SON Assistant	Certificate program	program curriculum was formally
	or as needed to comply with	Director for Graduate	curricula will undergo a	reviewed in 2018 and changes
Student handbook	GCSU and/or CoHS.		formal review and/or	became effective Fall 2019. The
SON shared drive: Minutes		APRN Program	revision every five years or	first cohort to graduate with these
NFO, Graduate Committee	Course outcomes are	Coordinators	as needed to comply with	changes was in May of 2020. The
	reviewed every semester by		GCSU and/or CoHS.	Curriculum Committee is
	the course faculty and	Graduate Committee		currently reviewing/revising NP
	Graduate Committee.			curriculum to be complete in
		All faculty teaching		Spring 2024.
		in the Post-Master's		
		APRN Certificate		Curricula was reviewed in the
		program		Post Master's NM program to
				update to the new Basic
				Midwifery Core Competencies
				published in 2020.
			The AACN Master's	The AACN Master's Essentials
			Essentials and NONPF,	and NONPF, ACME Guidelines
			ACME Guidelines will be	are incorporated into Post-
			incorporated into Post-	Master's APRN Certificate
1			Master's APRN Certificate	program curricula.
			program curricula.	

III-F Key Element:

The curriculum is logically structured to achieve expected student outcomes.

- Baccalaureate curricula build upon a foundation of the arts, sciences, and humanities.
- Master's curricula build on a foundation comparable to baccalaureate level nursingknowledge.
- DNP curricula build on a baccalaureate and/or master's foundation, depending on the level of entry of the student.
- Post-graduate APRN certificate programs build on graduate level nursing competencies and knowledge base.

III-F elaboration: Baccalaureate programs demonstrate knowledge from courses in the arts, sciences, and humanities is incorporated into nursing practice. Graduate-entry programs in nursing incorporate the generalist knowledge common to baccalaureate nursing education as delineated in The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice (AACN, 2008) as well as advanced course work.

Graduate programs are clearly based on a foundation comparable to a baccalaureate degree in nursing. Graduate programs delineate how students who do not have a baccalaureate degree in nursing acquire the knowledge and competencies comparable to baccalaureate education in nursing as a foundation for advanced nursing education. Programs that move students from basic nursing preparation (e.g., associate degree or diploma education) to a graduate degree demonstrate how these students acquire baccalaureate level knowledge and competencies delineated in The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice (AACN, 2008), even if they do not award a baccalaureate degree in nursing in addition to the graduate degree.

DNP programs, whether post-baccalaureate or post-master's, demonstrate how students acquire doctoral-level competencies delineated in The Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice (AACN, 2006). If the program awards the master's degree as part of the DNP program, the program demonstrates how students acquire master's level knowledge and competencies delineated in The Essentials of Master's Education in Nursing (AACN, 2011) and, if applicable, Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs (NTF, 2016).

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
Grid showing progression from BSN, MSN, to DNP SON shared drive:	The progression grid will be updated as needed to mirror curricular updates.	All Faculty Curriculum/Graduate/ NFO Committees	Curricula will be logically structured to achieve expected student outcomes.	Curricula are logically structured to achieve expected student outcomes.
Curriculum or Graduate		Committees	expected student outcomes.	outcomes.
Committee & NFO Minutes.		SON Director	Each program will build upon appropriate foundations, and curricula will demonstrate progression from the Baccalaureate to the Doctorate degrees.	Each program builds upon appropriate foundations and curricula demonstrate progression from the Baccalaureate to the Doctorate degrees.
			Nurse-midwifery will continue to progress to a MSN or Post Graduate certificate.	Nurse-midwifery will continue to progress to a MSN or Post Graduate certificate.

The program provides a rationale for the sequence of the curriculum for each program.

Teaching-learning practices and environments:

1. Support the achievement of student outcomes

- 2. Consider the needs and expectations of the identified community of interest
- 3. Expose students to individuals with diverse life experiences, perspectives, and backgrounds

III-G elaboration: Teaching-learning practices (e.g., simulation, lecture, flipped classroom, case studies) in all environments (e.g., virtual, classroom, clinical experiences, distance education, laboratory) support achievement of expected student outcomes identified in course, unit, and/or level objectives.

Teaching-learning practices are appropriate to the student population (e.g., adult learners, second-language students, students in a post- graduate APRN certificate program); consider the needs of the program-identified community of interest; and broaden student perspectives.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found E-Portfolio (MSN, BSN, DNP)	Each semester	Course faculty and/or Program Coordinators	100% of BSN and MSN/Post-Master's students will be placed in qualified clinical sites with qualified preceptors.	100% of BSN and MSN students were placed in qualified clinical sites and with qualified preceptors.
			100% of DNP students will select qualified committee members to facilitate completion of their translational project.	100% of DNP students selected qualified committee members to facilitate defense of their translational project.
		EE Committee will survey all students and faculty every three years to gather input into teaching- learning practices adequacy. The next survey of faculty and students is due in 2025.	Students and faculty mean scores reflect a score of 4 or > (agree or strongly agree) with Standard III- G.	September Surveys from 2022: Faculty (16): 4.5 BSN students (41): 3.88 MSN students (26): 3.92 DNP students (8): 4.0 agree or strongly agree with Standard III- G

activities and	that learning d instructional re assessed inreports indicate learning activities and instructional materials were assessed in light of student
current MO agreement st	s will have a environments have a current J/letter of MOU/letter of agreement stating
100% of BS clinical cour complete sit students and preceptor ev students.	ses willclinical courses completed sitee evaluations byevaluations by students, faculty,faculty andand preceptor evaluations by
100% of BS students are opportunity care for vulr populations.	provided the programs) were provided the opportunity to provide care to
	ill be offeredprograms) are offered theity for a studyopportunity for a study abroadr before oreither before or during their

III-H Key Element: The curriculum includes planned clinical practice experiences that:

- 1. Enable students to integrate new knowledge and demonstrate attainment of program outcomes
- 2. Foster interpersonal collaborative practice
- **3.** Are evaluated by faculty

III-1 Elaboration: To prepare students for a practice profession, each track in each degree program and post-graduate APRN certificate program affords students the opportunity to develop professional competencies and to integrate new knowledge in practice experiences aligned to the educational preparation. Clinical practice experiences include opportunities for interprofessional collaboration. Clinical practice experiences are provided for students in all programs, including those with distance education offerings. The program is responsible for ensuring adequate and appropriate clinical sites. Clinical practice experiences align with student and program outcomes. These experiences are planned, implemented and evaluated to ensure students are competent to function as members of interprofessional teams at the level for which they are being prepared.

Programs that have a direct care focus (including but not limited to nurse educator tracks) provide direct care experiences designed to advance the knowledge and expertise of students in a clinical area of practice.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Program outcomes	Baccalaureate, Master's,	All program coordinators		
	DNP, and Post-Master's		All clinical experiences	100% of all clinical experiences
SON shared drive:	APRN Certificate planned	Faculty teaching capstone	will be reviewed by faculty	are reviewed every semester to
Minutes from NFO	clinical experiences are	courses	every semester to comply	comply with GCSU and/or the
University's online	reviewed by faculty every		with GCSU and/or SON.	SON.
assessment tool	semester to comply with			
	GCSU and/or SON.		Program outcomes will be	100% of program outcomes are
Students' evaluations of			reviewed annually.	reviewed annually.
program outcomes	Program outcomes and			
E-Portfolio/Evalue	students' evaluations of		Assessment data will be	Assessment data is reported to
	program outcomes are		reported to NFO annually.	NFO annually in the Fall.
	reviewed in the capstone			
	course annually.			

III-I Key Element:

Individual student performance is evaluated by the faculty and reflects achievement of expected student outcomes. Evaluation policies and procedures for individual student performance are defined and consistently applied.

III-I elaboration: Evaluation of student performance is consistent with expected student outcomes. Grading criteria are clearly defined for each course, communicated to students, and applied consistently. Processes exist by which the evaluation of individual student performance is communicated to students. In instances where preceptors facilitate students' clinical learning experiences, faculty may seek input from preceptors regarding student performance, but ultimately faculty are responsible for evaluation of individual student outcomes. The requirement for evaluation of student clinical performance by qualified faculty applies to all students in all programs. Faculty evaluation of student clinical performance may be accomplished through a variety of mechanisms.

Where Documentation is	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Found				
 Course syllabi Handbooks Course reports ExamSoft 	Ongoing	All faculty Curriculum/Graduate/ NFO Committees	All students will be evaluated by faculty during each clinical course.	Met: 100% of BSN and MSN students are clinically evaluated during each clinical course.
E-ValueDegreeWorks		Nursing professional advisors All program coordinators		Met: 100% of DNP students achieved outcomes as indicated by the DNP Portfolio rubric and met criteria to successfully defend and disseminate the translational project.
			Evaluation policies and procedures for individual student performance will be defined and consistently	Evaluation policies and procedures for individual student performance are defined and consistently applied.
III-J Key Element: Curriculum and teaching-le	arning practices are evaluated	at regularly scheduled interva	applied.	to foster ongoing improvement.
Curriculum and teaching-le III-J elaboration: Faculty use outcomes. Such evaluation ac Where Documentation is		aluation of teaching-learning pr	applied. Is and evaluation data are used actices to inform decisions that fa	to foster ongoing improvement.
Curriculum and teaching-le III-J elaboration: Faculty use outcomes. Such evaluation ac Where Documentation is Found	data from faculty and student evo tivities may be formal or informa Timeline for Collection	aluation of teaching-learning pr l, formative or summative. Curr Who is Responsible	applied. Is and evaluation data are used actices to inform decisions that fa iculum is regularly evaluated by Expected Outcome	to foster ongoing improvement. <i>acilitate the achievement of student faculty as appropriate.</i>
Curriculum and teaching-le III-J elaboration: Faculty use outcomes. Such evaluation act Where Documentation is Found University's online assessment tool	data from faculty and student evo tivities may be formal or informa Timeline for Collection Ongoing Course outcomes are	aluation of teaching-learning pr l, formative or summative. Curr	applied. Is and evaluation data are used actices to inform decisions that fa- iculum is regularly evaluated by	to foster ongoing improvement. <i>acilitate the achievement of student faculty as appropriate.</i>
Curriculum and teaching-lee III-J elaboration: Faculty use outcomes. Such evaluation act Where Documentation is Found University's online	data from faculty and student evo tivities may be formal or informa Timeline for Collection Ongoing	aluation of teaching-learning pro l, formative or summative. Curr Who is Responsible Curriculum/Graduate/ NFO Committees	applied. Is and evaluation data are used actices to inform decisions that fa- iculum is regularly evaluated by Expected Outcome 100% of course outcomes will be reviewed each semester. 100% of faculty will be reviewed by students (SRIS) and the SON Director (faculty	to foster ongoing improvement. acilitate the achievement of student faculty as appropriate. Actual Outcome Met: 100% of course outcomes
Curriculum and teaching-le III-J elaboration: Faculty use outcomes. Such evaluation act Where Documentation is Found University's online assessment tool Course reports SON shared drive: minutes of Curriculum/Graduate	data from faculty and student even tivities may be formal or informa Timeline for Collection Ongoing Course outcomes are reviewed every semester by the course faculty and Curriculum or Graduate	aluation of teaching-learning pro <i>l, formative or summative. Curr</i> Who is Responsible Curriculum/Graduate/ NFO Committees Program coordinators	applied. Is and evaluation data are used actices to inform decisions that fa- iculum is regularly evaluated by Expected Outcome 100% of course outcomes will be reviewed each semester. 100% of faculty will be reviewed by students (SRIS) and the SON	to foster ongoing improvement.acilitate the achievement of studentfaculty as appropriate.Actual OutcomeMet: 100% of course outcomesare reviewed each semester.Met: 100% of faculty arereviewed by students (SRISsurveys) and the SON Director

planning report will be completed and reported to	completed and reported to NFO each Fall.
NFO annually.	

Standard IV: Assessment and Achievement of Program Outcomes

The program is effective in fulfilling its mission and goals as evidenced by achieving expected program outcomes. Program outcomes include student outcomes, faculty outcomes, and other outcomes identified by the program. Data on program effectiveness are used to foster ongoing program improvement.

IV-A elaboration: The program (baccalaureate, master's, DNP, and/or post-graduate APRN certificate) uses a systematic process to obtain relevant data to determine program effectiveness. Theprocess:

- 1. Is written, ongoing, and exists to determine achievement of programoutcomes
- 2. Is comprehensive (i.e., includes completion, licensure, certification, and employment rates, as required by the U.S. Department of Education; faculty outcomes; and other program outcomes)
- **3.** Identifies which quantitative and/or qualitative data are collected to assess achievement of the program outcomes
- 4. Includes timelines for data collection, review of expected and actual outcomes, and analysis
- 5. Is periodically reviewed and revised as appropriate.

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Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON shared drive: minutes of:	Ongoing	NFO		
Curriculum, A&P/Graduate		Curriculum/Graduate	The SON has a	Met: The SON has a
Committees and EE Committees		Committees	systematic process in	systematic process in
Course reports Online university assessment tool	EE Committee will survey students, faculty, alumni, and employers every three years to gather input into resource adequacy. The next surveys are due in 2021.	 A&P/Graduate Committees EE Committee Program assessment coordinators SON Director 	place to determineprogram effectiveness.Program outcomes willbe reviewed and reportedannually.The EE plan is reviewedannually.	place to determineprogram effectiveness.Program outcomes arereviewed and reportedannually.The EE plan is reviewedannually.

IV-B Key Element:

Program completion rates demonstrate program effectiveness.

IV-B elaboration: The program (baccalaureate, master's, DNP, and/or post-graduate APRN certificate) demonstrates achievement of required program outcomes regarding completion in any one of the followingways:

- The completion rate for the most recent calendar year is 70% orhigher
- The completion rate is 70% or higher when averaged for the three most recent calendar years; or the completion rate is 70% or higher when excluding students who have identified factors such as family obligations, relocation, financial barriers, and decisions to change major or to transfer to another institution of higher education.

The program identifies the cohort(s), specifies the entry point, and defines the time period to completion, each of which may vary by track; however, the

The program identifies the factors used Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON shared drive: minutes of: NFO and EE Committees Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness website Online university assessment tool	Annually or biannually as appropriate per program	EE Committee Program coordinators • BSN • MSN – FNP • MSN – PMHNP • MSN – WHNP • MSN – NM • MSN - NE SON Director APR Committee for UG	The program completion rates for all programs will be at least 70% for the calendar year.	Average program completion rates are as follows: 2022 BSN (/): FNP (24/32):75% PM-FNP (3/3):100% PMHNP (13/14): 93% PM-PMHNP (5/9): 56% 100% WHNP (5/5): 100% WHNP (5/5): 100% Nurse Midwife (2/2):100% NE (1/3): 33% DNP (12/13): 92%

IV-C Key Element:

Licensure pass rates demonstrate program effectiveness.

IV-C elaboration: The pre-licensure program demonstrates achievement of required program outcomes regarding licensure. A program demonstrates that it meets the licensure pass rate if 80% in any one of the followingways:

- The NCLEX-RN® pass rate for each campus/site and track is 80% or higher for first-time takers for the most recent calendar year (January 1 through December 31)
- The pass rate for each campus/site or track is 80% or higher for all takers (first-time and repeaters who pass) for the most recent calendar year

- The pass rate for each campus/site or track is 80% or higher for first-time takers across the three most recent calendar years
- The pass rate for each campus/site or track is 80% or higher for all takers (first-time and repeaters who pass) across the three most recent calendar years.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON shared drive: minutes of NFO	Annually	EE Committee	The 1st time taker	
and EE			NCLEX pass rate will be	Met: First time NCLEX
GA BON NCLEX Report		Program coordinator	at least 80%.	pass rates are as follows:
		SON Director		2022 (90): 95.56%
Office of Institutional Research and				
Effectiveness				

IV-D Key Element:

Certification pass rates demonstrate program effectiveness.

IV-D elaboration: The master's, DNP, and post-graduate APRN certificate programs demonstrate achievement of required program outcomes regarding certification. For programs that prepare students for certification, certification rates are obtained and reported for those completers taking each examination, even when national certification is not required to practice in a particular state.

For programs that prepare students for certification, data are provided regarding the number of completers taking each certification examination and the number that passed. A program is required to provide these data regardless of the number of test takers.

A program that prepares students for certification demonstrates that it meets the certification pass rate of 80%, for each examination, in any one of the following ways:

- The certification pass rate for each examination is 80% or higher for first-time takers for the most recent calendar year (January 1 through December 31)
- The pass rate for each certification examination is 80% or higher for all takers (first-time and repeaters who pass) for the most recent calendar year
- The pass rate for each certification examination is 80% or higher for first-time takers across the three most recent calendar years
- The pass rate for each certification examination is 80% or higher for all takers (first-time and repeaters who pass) across the three most recent calendar years

A program provides certification pass rate data for each examination, but may combine certification pass rate data for multiple examinations relating to the same role and population when calculating the pass rate described above.

Where Documentation is Found Timeline for Collec	tion Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
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SON shared drive: minutes of NFO and EE ACME, ANCC, AANP, and/or NLN certification reports	Annually	EE Committee Program coordinators • MSN – FNP • MSN – PMHNP • MSN – WHNP • MSN – NM • MSN – NE SON Director	The 1st time taker certification pass rates for FNP, PMHNP, WHNP, NM and NE will be at least 80%.	Met: The first-time certification pass rates are as follows: Fall 2022 FNP (4):100% FNP -PM (0):NA PMHNP (9): 77.78% PMHNP – PM (4): 100% CNE (0): NA
IV-E Key Element: Employment rate	s demonstrate program eff	ectiveness.		

IV-E elaboration: The program demonstrates achievement of required outcomes regarding employment rates.

- The employment rate is collected separately for each degree program (baccalaureate, master's, and DNP) and post-graduate APRN certificate program.
- Data are collected within 12 months of program completion, not at program entry. For example, employment data may be collected at the time of program completion or at any time within 12 months after program completion.

The employment rate is 70% or higher. However, if the employment rate is less than 70%, the employment rate is 70% or higher when excluding graduates who have elected not to be employed.

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Annually	EE Committee	The employment rate for	
	Program coordinators	all graduates will be 70% or higher.	The employment rates are as follows:
	SON Director		Fall 2022: 100%
	Graduate administrative assistant		Spring 2023: 100% Summer 2023: 100%
		Program coordinators SON Director Graduate administrative	Program coordinators all graduates will be 70% or higher. SON Director Graduate administrative

IV-F Key Element: Data regarding completion, licensure, certification, and employment rates are used, as appropriate, to foster ongoing program improvement.

IV-F elaboration: The program uses outcome data for improvement.

- 1. Discrepancies between actual and CCNE expected outcomes (program completion rates 70%, licensure pass rates 80%, certification pass rates 80%, employment rates 70%) inform areas for improvement.
- 2. Changes to the program to foster improvement and achievement of program outcomes, as appropriate, are deliberate, ongoing, and analyzed for effectiveness.

Faculty are engaged in the program improvement process.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON shared drive: minutes of NFO and EE University online assessment tool Course reports IRB website Dashboard	Annually	EE Committee Program Coordinators BSN MSN – FNP MSN – PMHNP MSN – WHNP MSN – NH MSN – NE SON Director	Data regarding completion, licensure, certification, and employment rates will be used, as appropriate, to foster ongoing program improvement.	Met: All programs are reviewed annually as indicated in Compliance Assist. In instances when goals were not met, as well as in instances when goals were met, faculty assessed and aimed to increase or strengthen the benchmark for higher achievement if possible.
IV-G Key Element:		NFO	Results regarding completion, licensure, certification, and employment rates will be publicly available on website and provided to stake holders.	Results regarding completion, licensure, certification, and employment rates are publicly available on the IRB website and the Dashboard and provided to stake holders.

Aggregate faculty outcomes demonstrate program effectiveness.

IV-G Elaboration: The program demonstrates achievement of expected faculty outcomes as identified in Key Element IV-D. In order to demonstrate program effectiveness, outcomes are consistent with and contribute to achievement of the program's mission and goals, and are congruent with institution and program expectations. Expected faculty outcomes:

- 1. Are identified for the faculty as a group
- 2. Specify expected levels of achievement for the faculty as a group
- 3. Reflect expectations of faculty in their roles

Actual faculty outcomes are presented in the aggregate for the faculty as a group, and each outcome is compared to its expected level of achievement.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
Digital measures	Every Spring semester	EE Committee	Scholarship 100% of Full-Time	Met: 100% of Full-time,
Faculty Annual Evaluations/CV		SON Director	Appointment, One-Year	one-year temporary, and part-time (didactic)
SRIS results		Individual faculty	Temporary, and Part- Time (Classroom)	appointed faculty engage in scholarly activities as
			Appointment faculty will engage in scholarly	described in the SON Promotion and Tenure
			activities as described in	document and evidenced in digital measures.
			the SON Promotion and Tenure document and	
			evidenced in Digital	
			Measures.	
			100% of Full-Time Appointment, One-	Met: 100% of Full-time, one-year temporary, and
			Year Temporary, and	part-time (didactic) appointed faculty
			Part-Time Appointment faculty	maintain the Georgia Board of Nursing
			will maintain the GA	required continuing education hours.
			Board of Nursing required continuing	

	education hours.	
	100% of Full-Time Appointment, One- Year Temporary, and Part-Time Appointment APRN faculty will maintain certification.	Met: 100% of Full-time, one-year temporary, and part-time (didactic) appointed APRN faculty maintain certification.
	Faculty scores on the SRIS item "instructor teaching as excellent" will be at or above the Georgia College mean.	Unable to compare to university standards due to a change in the evaluation reporting process.
	65% of individual Full- Time Appointment, One-Year Temporary, and Part-Time (Classroom) Appointment faculty scores on the SRIS item "course rating as excellent" will be at or above the Georgia College mean.	Unable to compare to university standards due to a change in the evaluation reporting process.
	100% of Full-Time Appointment, One-Year Temporary, and Part- Time (Classroom) Appointment faculty will meet with the Director to discuss teaching evaluations and review the faculty self- reflection and plan.	Met: 100% of individual Full-time, one-year temporary, and part-time (didactic) appointed faculty met with the SON director to discuss teaching evaluations and review the faculty self- reflection and plan.

	(Clinical) faculty will be evaluated by studentsclinical evaluation) and and (clinical evaluation) and Assistant Director (faculty evaluation) ann annually.and and and annually.Service 100% of Full-Time Temporary, and Part- Time (Classroom) onMet one part app	et: 100% of part-time nical faculty are aluated by students d the course lead culty evaluation) nually. et: 100% of full-time, e-year temporary, and rt-time (didactic) pointed faculty serve a GCSU, CoHS, or DN committee.
	connege, corris, or sorv	
IV-H Key Element: Aggregate faculty outcome data an	nalyzed and used, as appropriate, to foster ongoing program improvem	nent.
IV-H elaboration: The program uses faculty outcome data1. Discrepancies between actual and expected outcome	brimprovement.	
Faculty are engaged in the program improvementprocess		

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON shared drive: minutes of NFO	Ongoing	EE Committee		
and EE			Aggregate faculty	Aggregate faculty
University's online assessment tool		SON Director	outcome data will be	outcome data were reviewed and presented
Sinversity somme assessment toor		NFO	analyzed and used, as	at Fall 2023 NFO
Annual Progress and Planning report		NPO .	appropriate, to foster	meeting. During this
			ongoing program	meeting, 2024 Faculty
			improvement.	outcome benchmarks
				were set.
IV-I Key Element: Program outcome	s demonstrate program effe	ectiveness.		

IV-I elaboration: The program demonstrates achievement of outcomes other than those related to completion rates (Key Element IV-B), licensure pass rates (Key Element IV-C), certification pass rates (Key Element IV-D), and employment rates (Key Element IV-E); and those related to faculty (Key Element IV-G).

Program outcomes are defined by the program and incorporate expected levels of achievement. The program describes how outcomes are measured. Actual levels of achievement, when compared to expected levels of achievement, demonstrate that the program, overall, is achieving its outcomes. Program outcomes are appropriate and relevant to the degree and certificate programs offered.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON Shared drive: minutes of NFO, EE, Graduate, Curriculum, and A&P Committees University's online assessment tool Annual Progress and Planning report	Ongoing	EE Committee SON Director Program Coordinators Curriculum/Graduate Committee	All programs will meet program goals annually as indicated in the University's online assessment tool.	Met: All programs are reviewed annually as indicated in Compliance Assist. In instances when goals were not met, as well as in instances when goals were met, faculty assessed and aimed to increase or strengthen the benchmark for higher achievement if possible.
			The SON will achieve all goals set in the Annual Progress and Planning Report. If not, the administrative team will analyze why goals were not met.	Met: Results of program assessment and P&P report were presented at NFO in the November 2023 meeting.
			Results of program assessment and the Annual Progress and Planning report will be presented to NFO annually	Results of program assessment and the Annual Progress and Planning report will be presented to NFO in Fall 2023.

IV-J Key Element: Program outcome data are used, as appropriate, to foster ongoing program improvement.

IV-J elaboration: For program outcomes defined by the program:

- 1. Discrepancies between actual and expected outcomes inform areasfor improvement.
- 2. Changes to the program to foster improvement and achievement of program outcomes, as appropriate, are deliberate, ongoing, and analyzed for effectiveness.

Faculty are engaged in the program improvement process.

Where Documentation is Found	Timeline for Collection	Who is Responsible	Expected Outcome	Actual Outcome
SON Shared drive: minutes of	Ongoing	EE Committee		
NFO, EE, Graduate, Curriculum,			Plans for program	Plans for program
and A&P Committees		SON Director	improvement will be	improvement were
			discussed and included	discussed and are
Annual Progress and Planning		Program Coordinators	in NFO minutes.	included in NFO minutes (Fall 2023).
report		NEO		minutes (Fair 2023).
		NFO		
			Results of the EE plan	Results of the EE plan
			and Annual Progress and	and Annual Progress and
			Planning Report will be	Planning Report are
			presented to NFO	presented to NFO
			annually.	annually in the Fall.