

# SCHOOL OF NURSING REGULATIONS

## 1. School of Nursing Regulations

1. Students are required to observe the University Regulations and Academic Regulations as described in this calendar.
2. Students are assessed in each semester on their academic progression, aptitude and fitness for nursing. Students who, in the judgment of the faculty, fail to attain a satisfactory standard in this assessment may be required to withdraw from the School.
3. Students are responsible for ensuring that they are registered in appropriate courses throughout the program. Incorrect registration, at any time, could cause conflicts in a student's year-to-year progression and/or graduation.
4. Students in the Baccalaureate Program are responsible for (a) the purchase of uniforms as per the School of Nursing Dress and Uniform Policy and (b) cost of accommodation and travel while on clinical experiences. Additional expenses are incurred by students in the BScN Program for clinical experience, learning resources and books, first aid course, CPR course, and RN licensure examinations and recommended and/or required immunizations and/or testing.
5. Faculty semester leads assist students to plan their academic program and academic progress.
6. Progression in the program requires a C (minimum 60%) in each non-nursing course and C+ (minimum 65%) or Pass (P) in each nursing course. Progression in the program requires a GPA of 2.30 or greater in semesters 3 through 8. F and INC are failing grades. ILL and W are considered neutral.
7. Academic progression decisions for ES1 (Entry Semester 1) Students will occur following the completion of Semester 2.
8. Students are permitted to repeat any course (non-nursing, core nursing courses including clinical practice and electives) in the BScN program only once. A second failure in any course (whether the second failure occurs in a previously failed course, or in a course taken for the first time in the program) will result in dismissal from the program for 1 year. Students are permitted to reapply to the program after 12 months. Readmission to the program is not guaranteed and the applicant must demonstrate their preparation to return to studies.
9. Students wishing to appeal a decision based on faculty regulations or decisions should follow the Faculty of Health Appeal Procedure outlined in the Undergraduate Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) Student Handbook.
10. Supplemental exams are available in all nursing courses with the exception of nursing elective courses. A student who achieves a Marginal Fail (FM 59.5%-64.5%) will be eligible to write a supplemental exam. Refer to the 'Supplemental Exam for Knowledge Assessment Policy'.
11. The profession of Nursing situates Nursing students in a position of special trust, applicants will be asked to complete and submit a recent Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Search which might affect the applicant's suitability for the practice of nursing. Students accepted into the nursing program who provide false information will be disciplined by the university. Once enrolled in the Nursing Program it is a student's continuing responsibility to inform the Undergraduate Associate Directors of any criminal conviction or any significant personal circumstance which would adversely affect their ability to continue with their studies or which would make them ineligible for registration within Nova Scotia College of Nursing (NSCN) upon graduation.