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College of Health Science

GEORGIA COLLEGE & STATE UNIVERSITY
DEGREE PROGRAM and CURRICULUM CHANGES PROPOSAL COVER SHEET

PROPOSAL: Post MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate
 COLLEGE: CoHS DEPARTMENT: SON
 DEGREE: Certificate CIP CODE:
 MAJOR: MSN-Post MINOR:
 CONCENTRATION NAME: Post MSN PMHNP PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: (semester/year): Summer 2016

Description and Rationale for Recommended Action (attach additional pages if needed, this description will be shared at all levels in the University, and the University System and SACS Offices):
 Creation of Post MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Track - see memo

Action Item (Check one.)

- New Major, Minor, Certificate, or Concentration
- Rename Major, Minor, Certificate, or Concentration
- Deactivate/Discontinue Major, Minor, Certificate, or Concentration
- New Degree or Graduation Requirement
- General Education Requirement or Change
- Curricular Change that Impacts Multiple Colleges
- Modify Existing Major, Minor, Certificate, Concentration Requirements

All required documentation must be attached. (Electronic MS Word files with supporting documents are required at each level of review)

Reviewing entity	"•" denotes necessary routing.				Signature and Date	Recommend	Not Recommended	Reviewed - Information Only
	Major (new, modify, rename, deactivate)	Concentration or Certificate (new, modify, rename, deactivate)	Minor (new, modify, rename, deactivate)	General Education or Curricular Change affecting multiple colleges				
Chair, Department Curriculum Committee	•	•	•	•	Sally Cole, PhD 9/18/15	X		
Department Office Department Chair	•	•	•	•	Dhorah Macmillan 9/18/15	X		
Chair, College Curriculum Committee	•	•	•	•	[Signature] 10/8/15	X		
Dean's Office Dean	•	•	•	•	[Signature] 10/20/15	X		
Graduate Council (as appropriate for Graduate Curriculum)	•	•		•				
Curriculum and Assessment Policy Committee of University Senate	•	•	•	•				
University Senate	•	•		•				
Academic Affairs Provost Office	•	•		•				
President	•			•				
USG/BOR Review/Information Item	•	•	•	•				
SACSCOC Notification	•	•	•					

*A "Not Recommend" recommendation should include reviewer rationale and recommended action.

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Academic Affairs

Memo

College of Health Sciences

To: Chair of CoHS Curriculum Committee

From: Sallie Coke, PhD, APRN, BC, Interim SON Assistant Director in Charge of Graduate Programs

Date: August 31, 2015

Re: Post-MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate Program

The School of Nursing, Nursing Faculty Organization (NFO) approved the proposal for the Post-MSN Certificate program at their August 28, 2015 meeting.

This proposal is to form a Post-MSN certificate program as an option for the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program. The Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner concentration already exists under the Master of Science in Nursing degree program.

The Post-MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner certificate program was developed to address the critical need in Georgia for healthcare providers that can provide mental health and psychiatric services. This certificate will utilize all the courses from our existing MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner concentration. No additional faculty or courses will be needed to support the post-MSN certificate. Please see the attached Post-MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certification Tract.

Options for obtaining the certificate have been developed. The first option is for applicants that have a MSN, DNP or PhD but are not currently certified as Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and additional options for those that are certified APRNs.

- Admission criteria to this Post MSN certificate program are the same requirements for our other Post-MSN certificate programs.
 - Students must hold a master degree or higher in nursing from an Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) or Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) accredited program and have graduated from their program with at least a 3.2 on a 4.0 scale.
 - They must provide evidence of current licensure as a RN or APRN and be eligible for licensure in Georgia. A Georgia License is required prior to starting the program.
 - Applicants must complete a formal GCSU Graduate application with fees, two letters of references, official transcripts of all academic work, current resume, statement of professional goals, interview, and complete a writing exercise.

Our plan is to begin enrolling students for the program in the summer of 2016. We anticipate 5-8 Post-MSN students in the first enrollment offering based on interest already expressed in the community.

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Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Post-Master Certificate Options

Curriculum Plans

Option 1: For students already holding a MSN, DNP, or PhD in Nursing degree but are NOT board certified APRNs and are missing some or all of the “3 Ps” (Physical assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology) – range **23- 32 Credit Hours**. Equivalency of courses will be determined by the Psychiatric Mental Health NP Coordinator in the School of Nursing and students should submit all course syllabi for review.

Year 1:

- Summer: NRSG 5480 Advanced Nursing Assessment/Lab – 3 credit hours
NRSG 5500 Perspectives of Advanced Nursing Practice – 2 credit hours
- Fall: NRSG 6300 Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology – 3 credit hours
NRSG 7100 Foundations for Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing/lab – 4 credit hours
- Spring: NRSG 5800 Applied Pharmacology – 3 credit hours
NRSG 7110 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I /Lab – 4 credit hours

Year 2:

- Summer: NRSG 5810 Advanced Psychopharmacology and Neurobiology – 3 credit hours
- Fall: NRSG 7120 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing II/Lab - 4 credit hours
- Spring: NRSG 7200 Practicum in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing/Lab – 6 credit hours

Option 2: For students who are **board certified as Advanced Practice Registered Nurses** with a MSN, DNP or PhD in Nursing degree from an accredited university. Equivalency of courses will be determined by the Psychiatric Mental Health NP Coordinator in the School of Nursing and students should submit all course syllabi for review. A possible plan of study follows: **21-24 credit hours**

- Fall: NRSG 7100 Foundations for Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing/lab – 4 credit hours
- Spring: NRSG 5800 Applied Pharmacology – 3 credit hours (may exempt)
NRSG 7110 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I /Lab – 4 credit hours
- Summer: NRSG 5810 Advanced Psychopharmacology and Neurobiology – 3 credit hours
- Fall: NRSG 7120 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing II/Lab - 4 credit hours
- Spring: NRSG 7200 Practicum in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing/Lab – 6 credit hours



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CERTIFICATE NOTIFICATION FORM

Institution: Georgia College and State University

College/Division: College of Health Sciences

Department: School of Nursing

Name of Certificate: Post MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

CIP Code:

Certificate Acronym: CERM

Number of Credit Hours of Core Curriculum Courses:

Supporting core courses = 9 semester hours/45 clinical hours

NRSG 5480 Advanced Nursing Assessment/ Lab (2-3-3)

NRSG 6300 Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology (3-0-3)

NRSG 5800 Applied Pharmacology (3-0-3)

Clinical Course = 23 semester hours/ 495 clinical hours

NRSG 5500 Perspectives of Advanced Nursing Practice (2-0-2)

NRSG 5810 Advanced Psychopharmacology and Neurobiology (3-0-3)

NRSG 7100 Foundations for Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing/lab (2-6-4)

NRSG 7110 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I/lab (2-6-4)

NRSG 7120 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing II/lab (2-6-4)

NRSG 7200 Practicum in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing/Lab (1-15-6)

Total Credit Hours for Certificate Completion: 32 credit hours/ 540 clinical hours

Start Date: January 2016

Approved by: _____

Vice President for Academic Affairs/Provost

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Focus Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner POST-MSN Program of Study

Name:		Student ID Number:		
Address:				
COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE		CONTACT HRS*	GRADES	SEMESTER/YEAR
YEAR ONE				
SEMESTER 1 (SUMMER)				
NRS 5500	Perspectives of Advanced Nursing Practice	2-0-2		
SEMESTER 2 (FALL)				
NRS 7100/L	Foundations for Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	2-6-4		
SEMESTER 3 (SPRING)				
NRS 7110/L	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing I/Lab	2-6-4		
YEAR TWO				
SEMESTER 4 (SUMMER)				
NRS 5810	Advanced Psychopharmacology and Neurobiology	3-0-3		
SEMESTER 5 (FALL)				
NRS 7120/L	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing II/Lab	2-6-4		
SEMESTER 6 (SPRING)				
NRS 7200/L	Practicum In Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing/Lab	1-15-6		
	Total Hours	23		

STUDENT: _____ DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____ DATE: _____