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Hello, Mr. Gawron,

Mennonite College of Nursing is proposing to establish two new sequences within the Nursing, Ph.D. program: B.S.N. – Ph.D. sequence and Post Master's sequence. The original Financial Implication Forms associated with each sequence are attached and have been signed in sequential order.

Of course, if you have any questions or concern, please contact me or Dr. Chung.

Thank you on behalf of Dr. SeonYoon Chung and Mennonite College of Nursing,

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**ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY REQUEST
FOR NEW PROGRAM APPROVAL
*Financial Implication Form***

Purpose: Proposed new undergraduate and graduate programs (degrees, sequences, minors, and certificates) must include information concerning how the program will be financially supported to proceed through the curricular process.

Procedure: This completed form is to be approved by the Department/School Curriculum Committee chair, department chair/school director, college dean, and Provost prior to submission of the proposal to the College Curriculum Committee.

Definition: A “program” can be a degree, a sequence within a degree, a minor, or a certificate. This form is to be used for both undergraduate and graduate programs.

Complete the following information:

Department: Mennonite College of Nursing

Contact person: Seon Yoon Chung, Associate Dean for Academics

Date: August 26, 2021

Proposed new program: Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing: Post-Master’s Sequence

(Note: if the proposed program is a sequence, please indicate the full degree it is housed within)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM

Currently, the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Nursing program is a blended curriculum consisting of 66 semester hours beyond the master’s degree. The Doctor of Philosophy degree prepares nurse researchers to serve the public health by designing and conducting research on relevant clinical, educational, health systems and/or health policy topics. This program is being proposed as a new sequence to accompany the second sequence being proposed in PhD in Nursing Program- *BSN to PhD* sequence. Having two sequences in the PhD in Nursing Program provides two entry points to the PhD program thereby allowing nurses with either baccalaureate or master’s degree to pursue a PhD in Nursing.

In the post master’s PhD sequence, students admitted with a BSN and a Master of Science (in nursing or other related area) degree will be required to complete a minimum of 63 credit hours and will be able to complete the program in a minimum of 3 years. One course is deleted in the new sequence to promote competition with comparator programs, while ensuring the integrity and quality of the program. This program primarily consists of online asynchronous course work with some online synchronous sessions most semesters. This 63-credit hour degree requires:

- 24 hour core: NUR 502, NUR 503, NUR 504, NUR 505, NUR 506, NUR 507, NUR 511, NUR 515
- 6 hours research practica: NUR 523, NUR 526
- 9 hours statistics and measurement: NUR 540, NUR 541, NUR 544

ENROLLMENTS

In the table below, summarize enrollment and degrees conferred projections for the program for the first- and fifth-years of operation. If possible, indicate the number of full-time and part-time students to be enrolled each fall term in the notes section. If it is not possible to provide fall enrollments or fall enrollments are not applicable to this program, please indicate so and give a short explanation.

TABLE 1

STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND DEGREE PROJECTIONS FOR THE PROPOSED PROGRAM		
Category	Year One	5th Year (or when fully implemented)
Number of Program Majors/Minors (Fall Headcount)	4-5	20-25
Annual Full-time-Equivalent Majors/Minors (Fiscal Year)	2-3	10
Annual Number of Degrees Awarded	2-3	2-3

Add any relevant notes for the enrollment table 1 (Students are to be enrolled in a cohort; all students will be enrolled part-time; etc.) as an attachment

Currently all students enrolled in post-master's PhD program are enrolled Part-Time, taking one to seven credit hours a semester on average.

Budget Rationale (as an attachment; include corresponding data in Table 2)

Provide financial data that document the department or school's capacity to implement and sustain the proposed program and describe the program's sources of funding.

- a. Is the unit's (College, Department, School) current operating budget (contractual, commodities, equipment, etc.) adequate to support the program when fully implemented? If "yes", please explain. If new resources are to be provided to the unit to support the program, what will be the source(s) of these funds? **[Table 2 – Section 1]**

- ***Yes, the College's current operating budget is adequate to support the program. No additional funding is being requested for this sequence.***
- ***The Post-Master's Sequence is currently offered at MCN and there are seats available to have more students in each of the courses. This is being submitted as a new sequence for it to serve as one of the two sequences (BSN to PhD and Post-Master's) within the PhD Program.***

- b. What impact will the new program have on faculty assignments in the department? Will current faculty be adequate to provide instruction for the new program?

Will additional faculty need to be hired, either for the proposed program or for courses faculty of the new program would otherwise have taught? If yes, please indicate whether new faculty members will be full-time or part-time faculty, tenure track or non-tenure track faculty.

[Table 2 – Section 2]

- ***No new faculty will be required as this sequence is currently offered in our PhD program.***

- c. Will current staff be adequate to implement and maintain the new program? If "yes", please explain. Will additional staff be hired? Will current advising staff be adequate to provide student support and advisement, including job placement and or admission to advanced studies? If additional hires will be made, please elaborate. **[Table 2 – Section 2]**

- ***No new staff will be required as this sequence is currently offered in our PhD program.***

- d. Are the unit's current facilities adequate to support the program when fully implemented? Will there need to be facility renovation or new construction to house the program? (For a new degree program describe in detail the facilities and equipment available to maintain high quality in this program including buildings, classrooms, office space, laboratories, equipment and other instructional technologies for the program). **[Table 2 – Section 3]**

- ***No facility changes or additions will be required as this sequence is currently offered in our PhD program.***

- e. Are library resources adequate to support the program when fully implemented? Please elaborate.

- ***No additional library resources will be required as this sequence is currently offered in our PhD program.***

- f. Are there any additional costs not addressed in items a. – d.? If "yes" please explain.

[Table 2 – Section 4]

- ***Not Applicable***

Routing and action summary – in sequential order:

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| 1. <u>Cherrill Stockmann</u> | <u>9/2/2021</u> |
| Department/School Curriculum Committee Chair | Date Approved |
| 2. <u>Sam Jason Cherry</u> | <u>9/2/2021</u> |
| Department Chairperson/School Director | Date Approved |
| 3. <u>Judy Neulander</u> | <u>9/2/2021</u> |
| College Dean | Date Approved |
| 4. <u>[Signature]</u> | <u>9/10/21</u> |
| Provost | Date Approved |
| 5. <u>[Signature]</u> | <u>22 Sept 2021</u> |
| College Curriculum Committee Chairperson
Council | Date Approved |
| 6. _____ | _____ |
| Teacher Education Council Chair | Date Approved |
| 7. _____ | _____ |
| University Curriculum Committee Chairperson | Date Approved |

Once approved, include this form with the curricular proposal for the new program.