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# **Grading Policy, CNG-100.16**

## **PURPOSE**

Ensure that student's meet the educational objectives of the program and are adequately prepared to take the NCLEX-RN exam. St. Elizabeth College of Nursing evaluates student's ability through didactic testing, skill competency, and clinical competency/safety. All components of the program are geared towards a student successfully meeting the end of program student learning outcomes/educational goals and entering the profession as a competent, entry level practitioner. In order to successfully progress through the program, every student must meet the course grade requirements. Final letter grades are calculated using the Grading Chart.

#### SCOPE

Faculty, Students, Staff

## REFERENCES

## **DEFINITIONS / ABBREVIATIONS**

NCLEX-RN: National Council for Licensure Exam-Registered Nurse

# PROCEDURE / DIRECTIVE

#### **Calculation of Nursing Course Grades**

1. To achieve a passing grade in non-clinical nursing courses, the learner must meet the following criteria:

- A. Course grade of 77% or higher when all theory components are added.
- B. Each nursing course outlines a percentage weight for each graded element to be used to calculate the exam grade and final course grade.
- 2. To achieve a passing grade in clinical nursing courses, the learner must meet the following criteria:
  - A. Exam grade of 77% or higher based on the average of exams (e.g. unit exams, midterm, final exam, quizzes).
  - B. Course grade of 77% or higher when all theory components are added to the exam grade.
  - C. Clinical component grade must be "Pass" (see Calculation of Clinical Grade).
  - D. A student must pass the theory and clinical components of a nursing course in order to successfully complete the course.
  - E. Each nursing course outlines a percentage weight for each graded element to be used to calculate the exam grade and final course grade.
  - F. Exam grades range between 70%-80% of the course grade.

#### **Grade Rounding Policy**

Grades on course assignments and examinations, which are determined by percentages involving decimals, are rounded up to the next whole number when equal to 0.50 or greater. When the decimal is less than 0.50 the grade is rounded to the nearest whole number.

#### **Calculation of Clinical Grade**

- 1. The grade for the clinical component of a nursing course is Pass "P" or Fail "F".
- 2. A "Pass" grade indicates achievement of 80% of evaluated clinical objectives/behaviors.
- 3. A "Fail" grade indicates that the student has not achieved 80% of the evaluated clinical objectives/behaviors and therefore, has not fulfilled course objectives.
- 4. A zero ("0") in any bolded behavior at the time of the final evaluation in NUR116, 118, 122, or 232, constitutes a clinical grade of fail, regardless of the total percentage of points achieved. A zero ("0") or one ("1") in any bolded behavior at the time of the final evaluation in NUR240, constitutes a clinical grade of fail, regardless of the total percentage of points achieved.

## **Assignment Grades**

- A. All Information Literacy assignments within a course will have a minimum passing grade of 77%.
- B. All other assignments within a course will be the calculated grade.
- C. Case studies and information literacy assignments submitted beyond the due date, without an approved extension, will be subject to a penalty of 5 points per calender day. Any late penalties incurred will be subtracted from the grade and that will be the final grade posted on MOODLE.
- D. Online assignments (e.g. MOODLE Quizzes, Davis assignments) must be submitted by the due

- date and time given, meeting the guidelines criteria, in order to be given full credit. Any assignments submitted beyond the due date or not meeting the guidelines criteria will be given a grade of "0".
- E. Standardized Integrated Assessment (ATI) assignment must meet all criteria for full credit to be given (see Standardized Integrated Assessment Policy, CNG-100.23).

#### **Final Course Grade Chart**

Final course grades, which are determined by percentages involving decimals, are rounded up to the next whole number when equal to 0.50 or greater. When the decimal is less than 0.50 the grade is rounded to the nearest whole number. The calculated whole number is then converted to a letter grade using the following chart:

Grade	Percentage	Quality Point Value
Α	90-100%	4.0
B+	87-89%	3.5
В	80-86%	3.0
C+	77-79%	2.5
С	75-76%	2.0
D+	73-74%	1.5
D	70-72%	1.0
F	Below 70%	0
I	Incomplete	No Quality Points
WP	Withdrew Passing	No Quality Points
WF	Withdrew Failing	No Quality Points

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