

## **Doctor of Nursing Practice Program Council Report July 2018 - June 2019**

### 1. Committee members

Roxanne Garbez, Committee Chair

Jyu-Lin Chen, DNP Program Director

Annette Carley, DNP Program Associate Director

Maureen Shannon

Deborah Johnson

Lisa Lommel

Morgan Aurelio

Jennifer Elad, Student Representative

John Carioso-Sugay, Student Representative new for May 2019

Maria Elena De Guzman, Administrative Support

### 2. Committee responsibilities

Develop and support the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program through curriculum and faculty development, faculty retention and program evaluation

### 3. Frequency of meetings

August 2018 through May 2019 for a total of nine meetings

### 4. Accomplishments and/ activities this year

For 2018-2019 primary activities for this committee continued to be focused around developing new on-line courses, evaluating courses after completion, and providing additional faculty to support two cohorts of students. Two additional part time faculty were hired and received program orientation, and Dr. Chen and Dr. Carley will provide continued mentoring. Three new courses for the DNP program were created, each developed by the assigned Faculty of Record, then reviewed, revised and approved by the committee. Dr. Carley and Dr. Chen led several discussions regarding ongoing progress for the first-year students as well as identifying areas for program improvement for students transitioning into the second year. A new cohort of students started April 2019. Feedback was solicited from the student representative(s) at every DNP meeting and students overall felt they were progressing well and receiving the necessary support from faculty.

### 5. Issues for next year July 2019-June 2020

For 2019-2020 this committee will continue to evaluate and revise the on-line curriculum as well as focus on evaluating faculty and student feedback related to student projects and immersion sessions. The committee will continue quarterly review of evaluation information relevant to desired outcomes for students and faculty using course evaluations. In addition, DNP Council will continue soliciting student feedback for evaluation of the DNP program using Moodle, Zoom and course sequencing. Overall program information

will be available for review and evaluation after the first cohort of students completes the final quarter of their DNP program in December 2019.

The DNP Council will continue working with the SON and DNP faculty to complete required materials in preparation for the CCNE accreditation review. The goal is to obtain approval for accreditation prior to the first cohort completing the DNP program in December 2019.

Faculty Councils Functions:

1. Review and approve courses for the Consent Calendar;
2. Determine the required core or foundational courses for each program (i.e., PhD, DNP, MS).
3. Review curricular issues and concerns across program, department, School, and institutional lines.
4. Plan, implement and evaluate the programs in Nursing leading to graduate degrees;
5. Consider implications of policies and program development on recruitment and retention of students in programs in Nursing leading to graduate degrees;
6. Develop guidelines for reviewing, and implementing, and/or discontinuing specialty areas
7. Communicate and consult with SON Education Policy Coordinating Council on matters affecting students across Programs or when addressing issues that affect multiple Program Councils

Respectfully Submitted,

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