

*Mercer County Community College*  
*Division of Science and Health Professions*  
*Nursing Program*

REINSTATEMENT TO THE NURSING PROGRAM

Purpose: To provide an equal opportunity for reinstatement to the nursing program, utilizing standardized criteria for qualified students (students not permanently dismissed from the nursing program), in an effort to promote future success in the nursing program.

Procedure:

1. Reinstatement to a nursing course(s) is not guaranteed. Qualified students are reinstated on a space available basis after all progressing students are accommodated. Returning students are not guaranteed placement in a nursing course.
2. Students who fail or withdraw from a nursing course must submit a letter of intent to return the following semester to repeat the course in which they were unsuccessful or withdrew. This letter must be submitted at the end of the unsuccessful (or withdrawn) course. Students must have successfully completed all previous courses before progressing to the fourth semester.

All students returning to any course in the nursing program will be held to the current policies/ standards in effect at the time of their return.

3. Students requesting reinstatement will be required to complete a HESI exam as indicated below. Testing dates/times will be arranged by the Director of Nursing Education and the students will be required to pay a \$27.00 fee to retake the exam.
  - Reinstatement to NRS120, 121, 122 – Fundamentals HESI Version 1
  - Reinstatement to NRS220, 221, 222 – Fundamentals HESI Version 2
  - Reinstatement to NRS230, 231 – Medical Surgical HESI Version 1
4. Reinstatement to the program will be based on total points earned utilizing the re-admission rubric. Points will be assigned to students based on the following:
  - Date began NRS110 for the first time
  - Current Cumulative GPA
  - Number of Previous Nursing Courses Failed
  - HESI (either Med/Surg or Fundamentals)

Students will be ranked according to the total points received and will fill available seats after all progressing students are accommodated.

5. Any student who is unsuccessful in a nursing course will be required to meet with their nursing advisor to create an academic action plan in order to promote future success in the nursing program. As part of this action plan, students will be required to complete the following in order to be able to repeat the nursing course in which they were unsuccessful or withdrew:
  - Complete *all* HESI remediation for *any* HESI exams taken while enrolled in nursing that the benchmark was not met (Fundamentals 750; all other HESI's 850), by the end of the current semester.
  - Attend one student success workshop offered prior to returning.
  - Attend two (2) mandatory meetings with their nursing advisor prior to reinstatement
  
6. Students returning to any course in the nursing program will be held to the current policies/standards in effect at their time of return to the program.

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Approved by:

, Acting Director