

Course Creation for Palmetto College Campuses
Palmetto College Campuses Faculty Senate
University of South Carolina

Brief Title of Proposed Change	PCAM 299 (Success in College and Nursing) Assignment of a Permanent Course Number
Committee Proposing Revision	System Affairs
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Senate Approval Date	11-10-2023

Academic Bulletin Description:

This course covers basic concepts and the exploration of nursing as a career. The practice of nursing will be explored, and the student will be prepared for nursing education through strategies to improve academic skills.

Course Description:

Success in College and Nursing aims to provide an educational and first-hand curriculum to students who will be progressing through the nursing curriculum. This course will improve the student's success and graduation from the nursing curriculum. An overview of the rigorous and challenging environment of nursing education will be presented and the student will understand the commitment needed to be successful

Rationale for the proposed course/assigning a permanent course number:

Dean April Cone, Dr. Sarah E. Miller, and Nursing Program Coordinator April Wolfe (all from Salkehatchie) request the approval of Success in College and Nursing currently a special topics PCAM 299 course to be assigned a permanent course number of PCAM 102 (or an equivalent to an introductory course). The rationale is multifold. It is the hope that this class serves as an introductory exploration to the nursing profession for students who are interested. The goals are for students to understand what the responsibilities of the profession are, as well as to help them develop math and writing skills to be successful in the nursing program and in their academics overall. The benefit of this class for students is that it provides them an opportunity to first see if nursing is a career for them as well as provide foundational skills to be successful both within the nursing program (an increase in retention and success in the program) and throughout their college career. Additionally, the creation of the course would allow students to stay at their current regional campuses and take the course without the need to apply and take it at Beaufort. Another justification for the course is that other nursing faculty across the regional campuses are in support of and would be in favor of offering this course as well and would provide students early entry into the field.