

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** June 5, 2023

**TO:** Dr. Nilgün Önder, Associate Vice-President (Academic)  
Dr. Laurie Clune, Chair, CCAM

**FROM:** Dr. Janine Brown, Associate Dean (Faculty Affairs)

**RE:** Faculty of Nursing Accreditation and Program Approval Update

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I wish to provide our CCAM colleagues with an update on the Faculty of Nursing's processes regarding Accreditation (through the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing [CASN]) and Program Approval (through the College of Registered Nurses of Saskatchewan [CRNS]). This update will include updates to our undergraduate and graduate programming.

### CASN Accreditation

#### **a. Undergraduate Programming:**

The CASN self-study documents were shared with CCAM in February 2023. On June 2, 2023, the collaborative undergraduate programs (Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program, After Degree Nursing Program, and Practical Nurse to BScN pathway) received seven (7) year accreditation with recommendations and the provision of an interim report from the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing. Seven years is the maximum term accreditation can be awarded. We are so incredibly proud of our students, staff, and faculty.

The additional information/recommended actions to be addressed in the interim reports and the timelines for submission are as follows. We will submit these items to CASN per their requested schedule.

<b>Submission date:</b>	<b>Standard:</b>	<b>Item to report on:</b>
December 15, 2023	Leadership, Governance, and Administration	Develop an updated affiliation agreement that outlines the delivery model, responsibilities, shared decision-making process, and lines of communication.
June 15, 2024	Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship	Regular and contractual faculty evaluate students effectively and constructively in theoretical and clinical courses.
June 15, 2024	Quality Improvement	Ongoing implementation of the evaluation processes, including data collection from preceptors and employers.

June 15, 2025	Resources and Environment	Information resources and library services support faculty and students' learning and scholarship needs.
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**b. Graduate Programming:**

August 12, 2020, the collaborative graduate program (Collaborative Nurse Practitioner Program) received seven (7) year accreditation with recommendations and the provision of an interim report from the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing. These items have been submitted to CASN by their deadlines.

Submission date:	Standard:	Item to report on:
December 15, 2020	Resources	Updated strategic student enrolment plan that is aligned with faculty and human resources plans.
December 15, 2020	Teaching and Learning	Provision of interprofessional education and opportunities for faculty training workshops

**CRNS Program Approval**

**a. Undergraduate Programming:**

We submitted all the documents required by the CRNS by their deadline. The CRNS self-study documents were shared with CCAM in February 2023. We are awaiting the CRNS response back to the Faculty of Nursing. We anticipate this to be by the end of June 2023.

**b. Graduate Programming:**

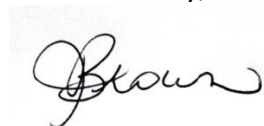
We have shared a Filr link with Dr. Önder with the documents required by the CRNS. We are awaiting the CRNS response back to the Faculty of Nursing. We anticipate this to be by the end of June 2023.

**Research report requested by CCAM:**

We submitted the AUR Self Study Template Section 3.1.1, Section 3.1.2, and Section 3.1.3 to CCAM in February 2023.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide an update. We would be pleased to meet with our CCAM colleagues if you have any questions.

Most sincerely,



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