Student Outcomes Assessment Memorandum of Understanding
Baccalaureate Nursing Program
For the RN-BS Student

Purpose
The purpose of assessment in the Nursing Programs at Indiana State University is to measure achievement of student learning and program outcomes. Assessment occurs through a variety of methods such as standardized testing, clinical evaluation of student performance, course assignments and presentations, and surveys. Aggregate information is used for program improvement and is required for continued program accreditation. The aggregate data may also be utilized in educational research.

Benefit to Student
Participation in assessment activities, including standardized testing:
- Help the student to identify strengths and weaknesses in understanding critical nursing content.

Graduating from an accredited program creates a gateway for graduates to:
- Participate in federally funded and state entitlement programs.
- Qualify to attend accredited schools to pursue advances studies, including Master’s and doctoral nursing programs.
- Improve marketability: Employers prefer graduates from nationally accredited institutions.

Standardized Testing
The Baccalaureate Nursing Program is currently using Assessment Technology Institute’s (ATI) . Among other materials the program includes standardized testing that is used for assessment continuing throughout the program.

Placement of the various tests in the program of study and cost to the student depend on the student’s program track.

Memorandum of Understanding
I have read and understand the information provided about outcomes assessment in the Baccalaureate Nursing Program. I understand the purposes for which aggregate (group) data will be utilized and that my personal assessments will be kept confidential. I understand that I may request a copy of this form for my records.

Printed Name ______________________________ Date __________________

Signature ________________________________ Student ID 991 - _____

Approved 8/20/10, Baccalaureate Nursing and Baccalaureate Nursing Completion Departments