

Indiana State University School of Nursing Baccalaureate Nursing Program

Student Outcomes Assessment Memorandum of Understanding

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.
- Improve confidence and familiarity with computerized NCLEX-RN style testing.
- Increase probability of student passing the national licensure examination (NCLEX-RN).

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 advanced studies, including Master's and doctoral nursing programs.
- Improve marketability, as employers prefer graduates from nationally accredited institutions.

Standardized Testing

The Baccalaureate Nursing Program uses integrated testing platforms . Integrated testing includes preparation materials and standardized testing that is used for assessment. Students begin by taking an admission test and continue using integrated testing throughout the program, culminating with preparation for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) in the senior year.

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

Students are required to complete a comprehensive examination in the last semester of the nursing program to assess readiness for NCLEX-RN. Students will be ineligible to apply for licensure and to schedule the NCLEX-RN until the comprehensive examination program requirement has been met.

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 an integrated testing platform is required for the Baccalaureate Nursing Program, and I will purchase what is required for my track.

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ University ID : _____

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