College Procedures

Change of Campus
General B.S.N. and Second Degree students must start and remain at the campus to which they are admitted into the Nursing program. University Park students are required to spend one full academic year at the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. R.N. to B.S.N. students may request a temporary or permanent change of campus to an alternative campus. Students initiate this request using the Update Campus application found in the Student Center of LionPATH.

Concurrent Majors
A Concurrent Majors Program is one in which students take courses to concurrently meet the requirements of at least two majors, with graduation for all majors in the program occurring during the same semester. Nursing students may be eligible for a concurrent major with careful, proactive consultation with academic advisers in both programs. Nursing is always considered the primary major. Due to the progressive nature of nursing education, students are expected to prioritize their Nursing curriculum over that of their concurrent major. Students should consult with their Nursing academic adviser prior to declaring a concurrent major.

Academic Warning
The Ross and Carol Nese College of Nursing’s Academic Progression Policy supersedes University policy on Academic Warning for General B.S.N. and Second Degree Students. A student who fails to earn a 2.00 cumulative grade-point average will be placed on academic warning. A student placed on academic warning will have a hold placed on registration and will be required to meet with an academic adviser in order for this registration hold to be removed. To remove academic warning, the student must reach a cumulative grade-point average of 2.00 or higher.

Academic Suspension
The College of Nursing’s Academic Progression Policy supersedes University policy on Academic Suspension for General B.S.N. and Second Degree Students. A student in academic warning who fails to maintain a semester grade-point average of 2.00 or higher will be academically suspended. A student who has been academically suspended may not schedule courses at the University for two consecutive semesters. (Note: Summer session is equal to one semester.)