COLLEGE OF NURSING
BYLAW

This Bylaw is supplementary to the Faculty of Health Sciences Bylaw.

I. Principles

A. The College Council is the academic council of the College of Nursing, created by the Senate under the authority granted to it under *The University of Manitoba Act* (Manitoba). It derives its authority to act and recommend on matters of an academic character, from the Faculty of Health Sciences Bylaw. Its authority derives from, and is subject to, the general charge of the Senate on all matters of an academic character.

B. The College Council may elect to delegate certain functions and powers to its Executive Council, and its Standing Committees, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity, that a matter ought to be handled by the least centralized authority capable of addressing that matter effectively, as long as those decisions do not conflict with institutional norms, standards or priorities.

C. It is the role of all members of the College to act honestly, fairly and in the best interests for the College of Nursing, the Faculty of Health Sciences and the University of Manitoba. Members should deal with matters in such a way that the interests of the College of Nursing take precedence over the interests of any of its constituent parts, should those interests conflict or appear to conflict.

D. Graduate programs, although housed within a College, are administered by the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The powers to act and recommend respecting these programs therefore rests with the Faculty of Graduate Studies, according to its Bylaws and policies.
II. College Council

A. Membership

The College Council of the College of Nursing (the “College”) shall be composed of:

1. The President
2. The Vice-President designated by the President
3. The Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences (the “Faculty”) or designate
4. The Dean of the College
5. The Librarian for the College
6. All academic staff of the College including Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Lecturers, Instructors I and II and Senior Instructors (and excluding sessionals and nil-appointments) holding academic rank in the College
7. One (1) full-time support staff of the College, elected by the support staff of the College, with a term of office of three years
8. Two (2) undergraduate students registered in the College and one (1) graduate student enrolled in a graduate program offered through the College, appointed or elected by the student body, with a term of office of one academic year
   (a) Student representatives shall be excluded from meetings of the College Council and committees while matters concerning the content of exams or examination results, or matters arising therefrom, are being discussed.
   (b) Student representatives shall not participate in the nomination, election or removal of representatives from the Faculty Council to the University of Manitoba Senate.
9. University College of the North Dean or Designate who holds status as a registered nurse
10. Resource (non-voting) Business Manager
12. Resource (non-voting) Policy Administrator

B. Selection of Members and Terms of Office

1. Selection of the Nursing undergraduate student representatives shall be made annually by the Nursing student body through involving all students to nominate candidates and then asking students to vote for student members from the nominated list of students.
2. Selection of the graduate student representative shall be made annually through involving all graduate students registered in a program offered through the College to nominate candidates and then asking graduate students to vote for student members from the nominated list of students.
C. Meetings

1. The Dean of the College or designate shall be the presiding officer and chair at all meetings of the College Council, subject to the right of the President or the Dean of the Faculty to take the chair at such meetings.

2. The College Council shall meet at least four times yearly.

3. Meetings shall be called at the discretion of the Dean of the College or at the written request of any six (6) members of the College Council.

4. At least one month’s written notice of any regular College Council meeting shall be given and at least 48 hours’ notice for any special College Council meeting.

5. College Council meetings shall be open, subject to the College Council moving into closed session by the vote of a simple majority of those in attendance and voting.

6. The quorum necessary for the transaction of business shall be 40% of members, not including the President, Vice-president, and Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences, nor counting any vacancies on the Council.

D. Powers to Act

The Faculty of Health Sciences Council delegates to the College Council its powers to act, subject to the plenary powers of the Board of Governors and the general charge of all matters of an academic character vested in the Senate. To that end, the College Council shall have power:

1. To provide for the regulation and conduct of its meetings and proceedings.

2. To establish standing and ad hoc committees of the College Council and approve their membership and terms of reference.

3. To approve department council bylaws and amendments thereto, following guidelines approved by the Senate.

4. To make and administer regulations with respect to the attendance, conduct and progress of students who are registered in programs in the College.

5. To administer the rules and regulations of the Senate and the Board as they affect the students registered in programs in the College.

6. To prepare and publish College academic timetables of programs offered by the College.

7. To consider and determine academic appeals by students registered in programs in the College, from a decision of a member of the academic staff of the College.
8. To consider and determine the suitability of a student for his/her profession, in accordance with any professional suitability by-law, recommended by the College and approved by the Senate.

9. To determine the functions and powers that may be delegated to subordinate bodies, including but not limited to an Executive Council, its Standing Committees or department councils.

10. To periodically review College Standing Committee terms of reference and following review, approving the terms of reference and/or amendments.

11. To determine other matters within its jurisdiction that have not been specifically delegated to subordinate bodies.

E. Powers to Recommend

The College Council shall have the power to make such recommendations as it deems advisable to the appropriate persons or bodies and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, has the following powers to recommend:

1. To propose to the Faculty of Health Sciences Council, the establishment of College Council Bylaw(s), and to propose amendments to them.

2. To periodically review and recommend amendments to the Faculty for approval, College Council Bylaws(s).

3. To recommend to the Faculty on the establishment of, the abolition of, or any changes in schools, departments, or divisions in the College.

4. To recommend directly to the Senate on the establishment of, the abolition of, or any changes in chairs or lectureships in the College.

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6. To recommend to the Dean of the College athletic, social or other extra-curricular activities of students.

7. To recommend directly to the Senate on the establishment of, the abolition of, or any changes in exhibitions, bursaries, scholarships, or prizes to be awarded to students registered in College.

8. To recommend directly to the Senate on the conditions of admission for undergraduates to programs of the College and the standing to be allowed to students entering the College.

9. To recommend directly to the Senate on the regulations, methods and limits of instruction in the College.

10. To recommend directly to the Senate on the academic standing of all students in programs in the College.
11. To recommend directly to the Senate on the rules and conduct of examinations and the results of examinations for students in the College.

12. To recommend directly to the Senate the candidates for degrees, diplomas and certificates of proficiency to be granted by the University pertaining to courses of study in the College.

13. To recommend directly to the Senate on curriculum and program requirements and changes for existing programs offered by the College that do not impact other Colleges.

14. To recommend directly to the Senate on the dates from the beginning and end of classes in programs offered by the College.

15. To recommend to the Faculty Council on new, or significant changes to, undergraduate programs within the College.

16. To provide advice to the Dean of the College on the acquisition and use of facilities and on the requirements for lecture rooms and other facilities.

17. To provide advice to the Dean of the College respecting academic implications of strategic directions for the College.

III. College Executive Council

A. Membership

There shall be an executive council of the College Council (the “College Executive Council”) and shall be composed of:

1. The President

2. The Vice-President designated by the President

3. The Dean of the Faculty or designate

4. The Dean of the College

5. Six (6) members elected by and from the members of the College Council who hold academic rank within the College. The term of office for each elected academic member shall be three years. For the first election, two members shall be elected for a one-year term, two members for a two-year term and two members for a three-year term.

6. One (1) Nursing undergraduate student and one (1) graduate student enrolled in a program offered with the College of Nursing elected by and from the student members of the College Council, with a term of office of one academic year

7. One (1) support staff member, as elected by and from the support staff to the College Council, with a term of office of three years
8. Associate Dean, Undergraduate Programs

9. Associate Dean, Graduate Programs

10. Associate Dean, Research

11. Director, Clinical Education

12. University College of the North Dean or Designate who holds status as a registered nurse

13. Two (2) Senators selected by and from the Senators elected to Senate by the Faculty of Health Sciences Council who are members of the College of Nursing

14. Resource (non-voting) Members:
   
   a) Business Manager

   b) Public Relations/Human Resource Coordinator

   c) Policy Administrator

B. Meetings

1. Notwithstanding the President’s right to preside over the College Council, the Dean of the College or designate shall be the presiding officer at all meetings of the College Executive Council.

2. The College Executive Council shall meet at least six (6) times per year.

3. Meetings shall be called at the discretion of the Dean of the College or at the written request of any three (3) members’ of the College Executive Council.

4. At least one month’s written notice of any regular College Executive Council meeting shall be given and at least 48 hours’ notice for any special College Council meeting.

5. College Executive Council meetings shall be open, subject to the Council moving into closed session by the vote of a simple majority of those in attendance and voting.

6. The quorum necessary for the transaction of business shall be 50% plus one of the filled positions on the Council Executive Committee. The President, Vice-president, and Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences shall not be counted in determining quorum.
7. A meeting of the College Executive Council by electronic meeting is appropriate under certain circumstances. The use of e-meetings shall be reserved for those issues needing a decision before an in-person meeting of the College Executive Council is scheduled. Each e-meeting agenda shall consist of a single issue. Members shall then indicate their vote in writing to the secretary of the College Executive Council within three (3) business days. The results of the vote shall be communicated by the secretary as soon as possible after all the votes are received.

C. Powers to Act and Recommend

The College Council hereby delegates to the College Executive Council, when an expedient decision is required (i.e., in circumstances where if a decision is not made in a timely manner, it will disadvantage the College and/or students within the College), all powers to act and recommend granted to the College Council set out in the College and School Council General Bylaw, the Faculty of Health Sciences Bylaw, and this Bylaw, except:

1. The College Council shall retain the power to elect members to its College Executive Council.
2. In addition to the delegated powers noted above, the Council Executive Committee also has the following functions:
   a) Receive and consider reports and recommendations from standing and ad hoc committees of the Council and recommend to the Council on their disposition.
   b) Initiate and formulate policy for recommendation to Council.
   c) Act on behalf of the Council between regular meetings of Council.
   d) Provide advice to the Dean.
   e) Carry out other functions as may be delegated to it by Council.

IV. Standing Committees

There shall be standing committees as required by the Senate or as deemed necessary by the College Council. The Terms of Reference and membership of each Standing Committee shall be approved by the College Council.
V. Standing Rules
The College Council may enact or amend standing rules and procedures for conduct of the affairs of the College Council by a majority vote of those members present and voting at a duly called and constituted meeting, provided that five days’ notice of the proposed standing rule or amendment has been given to all members prior to the meeting at which such enactment or amendment is to be made.

VI. Rules of Order
Except where otherwise provided, the “Rules and Procedures governing meetings of the Senate of the University of Manitoba” shall govern the conduct of the College Council and College Executive Council meetings.

VII. Enactment and Amendments
A. The date of enactment for these Bylaws shall be the date on which they receive approval of the Senate.

B. Any amendments to these Bylaws shall require the approval of the Faculty of Health Sciences Council and the Senate, edited by the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures.

C. Before submission to Senate, such Bylaws or amendments shall be recommended for approval by two-thirds of the members present and voting at a duly called and constituted College Council meeting. At least one month’s notice in writing of any amendment shall be given to the members.