

COLLEGE OF NURSING



Memorandum

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TO: TAMU Undergraduate Committee

FROM: Debra Wise Matthews, College of Nursing *Debra Wise Matthews*

RE: Determining course levels in BSN program

The College of Nursing Undergraduate Curriculum Committee has adopted the following standard operating procedure for determining course levels in the undergraduate program.

1. In order to ensure consistency with our accrediting bodies, The Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education and the Texas Board of Nursing, the college of nursing will use the following procedure for determining course levels in the BSN program.
 - a. Students in the 300 and 400 level courses have admittance to upper division classes in a degree program. These classes are structured the premise that students have completed the university core curriculum and nursing pre-requisite courses.
 - b. The 300 level courses focus on the basic foundational principles, knowledge, and skills of nursing theory and practice.
 - c. The 400 level courses focus a broad range of topics to include advanced nursing skills and transition practice.
2. The undergraduate curriculum committee reviews all new courses before approval, in order to ensure that these criteria have been met in the syllabi prior to submission in the CARS system.

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