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STUDENT HANDBOOK

and

School Catalogue Addendum

Summer 2017 Cleveland

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I. Spring 2017 Changes for incoming students

The following changes were implemented for the spring 2017 semester. These changes are in addition to the Fall 2016 Student Handbook and School Catalogue:

1. Cleveland Practical Nursing Program

The following pre-req and co-req classes were updated within the policy:

• NUR1118 Pharmacology

Prerequisites: MAT1002, NUR1113, BIO1005, ENG1005

Co-requisite: NUR1125

NUR1124 Geriatric/Mental Health Nursing

Prerequisite: NUR1113, INT1102, ENG1005, BIO1005, NUR1125, NUR1118, PSY1012

Co-requisite: NUR1128

• NUR1128 Nursing of the Family

Prerequisites: NUR1113, INT1102, ENG1005, BIO1005, NUR1125, NUR1118, PSY1012

Co-requisite: NUR1124

NUR1125 Nursing Care of the Adult

Prerequisite: NUR1113, BIO1005, ENG1005

Co-requisite: NUR1118
 NUR1132 Role Development
 Prerequisite: Graduating Student

II. Spring 2017 Changes for incoming students and current students

The following changes were implemented for the spring 2017 semester. These changes are in addition to the Fall 2016 Student Handbook and School Catalogue":

1. General Information

The following was updated within the policy:

The primary role of MDT College of Health Sciences as an academic institution is to deliver exceptional education and service to its students. A consistent focus on delivery of quality education supports the mission and requires the College to plan ahead but also respond to current market demands. Current student demographics represent diverse ethnic and racial backgrounds. The majority of students have a non-traditional focus i.e. entering school at an older age, changing their careers, and having family obligations. The educational experience at the College values and reflects the diverse student population. The College has strived to gain a reputable name in the local communities and to continue its excellence.

Experienced nurse educators as well as recent clinical professionals represent the faculty at the College, which has a student faculty ratio of between 15 and 29 students per instructor.

MDT College of Health Sciences operates the main campus in Highland Heights, OH. In addition, the College operates an additional location, ATS Institute of Technology, in Chicago, Illinois, and a learning center in Parma, Ohio.

2. Course Grading and Quality Points in Nursing Programs

The following was re-worded for clarification:

Grades are assigned in accordance with the following scale:

<u>Grades</u>	Numerical Equivalent	Quality Points
A	95-100%	4.0
A-	92-94%	3.7

B+	89-91%	3.3
В	86-88%	3
B-	84-85%	2.7
C+	81-83%	2.3
C	76-80%	2
D	68-75%	1
F	Below 68%	0.0 Failure
I	Incomplete	0.0
N^*	No Grade Given	0.0
W	Withdraw	0.0
WF	Withdraw Fail	0.0 Failure

In addition, the student must achieve the following:

Students must receive a 76% or higher in both testing and non-testing scores to successfully pass the course. Failure of any component associated with the course such as lab or clinical experience will result in the student repeating the whole course. Spelling of medical terms and medication names can be critical in patient care. Therefore, nursing courses may deduct points for misspelling. See individual syllabi for course policy.

3. Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

The following was updated within the policy:

How repeated courses affect SAP Policy: Repeated courses will be added to total hours attempted or hours completed, however, the initial grade once a repeated class has been passed will not be included in the GPA calculation. The new grade will be included in the GPA calculation, which will be considered when progress is again reviewed.

4. Tuition and Fees

The following was updated/added within the policy:

- Cost per credit hour: \$397
- Any books or software included in tuition can be purchased separately by students. If the student does not
 intend to purchase through the school, the student must notify the school in writing 5 business days before
 classes begin.

III. Summer 2017 Changes for incoming students

The following changes were implemented for the summer 2017 semester. These changes are in addition to the spring 2017 and fall 2016 addendum above for the "Fall 2016 Student Handbook and School Catalogue":

1. Tuition and Fees

a) The following was added to the policy: Online Disclosure Course: \$25

b) The following ESL Tuition was updated within the policy:

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
Hours	450	450	300	300
Tuition	\$2,907.50	\$2,907.50	\$1,938.50	\$1,938.50

2. Entrance Exam

The following was updated within the policy:

Benchmarks for Cleveland Student entrance:

English - 51 Math - 31 Science - 15

3. Score Determination on Placement Examination

The following was updated within the policy:

Effective fall 2017 Cleveland students who achieve a score of 80 in English, 57 in Math, and 18 in Science will be invited to immediately start the MDT Practical Nursing Program and bypass the developmental course requirements.

IV. Summer 2017 Changes for incoming students and current students

The following changes were implemented for the summer 2017 semester. These changes are in addition to the spring 2017 and fall 2016 addendum above for the "Fall 2016 Student Handbook and School Catalogue":

1. Cell Phone Policy

The following policy was updated:

Cell phones are not permitted to ring in the classroom or laboratory and must be on vibrate. Should an emergency call come through, the student must be mindful of not disrupting the class when leaving to take the call. Only one emergency phone call is allowed per class. Use of cell phone in the classroom other than that stipulated above shall warrant a Behavioral Violation and will be documented as such. (See Progression and Retention Policy) Emergency calls can be directed to the main school number.

2. The Presidential Grant

The following policy was added:

The Presidential Grant is a merit-based award that pays \$1,050 tuition (\$350 per nursing semester) for those prospective students who enter ATS as a full-time 1st semester nursing student (semester without developmental classes). This grant does not need to be repaid and is renewable each semester based on *Eligibility Criteria for Grant Continuation* below.

Minimum Eligibility Criteria for Grant Continuation

The student must maintain

- a minimum 3.2 grade point average each semester
- satisfactory standards of professional conduct
- full-time academic schedule

If the minimum criteria are not met, the student grant will be terminated.

The Process

Candidates fill out the Presidential Grant form and submit it to the Nursing Program Administrator's Office. Administration will review the application and contact the candidates who have been awarded the grant.

Leave of Absence (grant deferment)

If a student, who had been awarded a grant, takes an approved leave of absence, the grant will be placed in deferment for the following semester. If the leave of absence is greater than one semester, the student grant will be terminated.