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1. Nursing Colleges (public & private) are the constitutional colleges under the Faculty of Medicine / Nursing of the concerned University.
2. Principals of these colleges are the members of this faculty as the head of the organization.
3. Program offered by the colleges:
 - i. Bachelor of Nursing Science
 - ii. Any other program that may hereinafter be established and recognized by the University.
4. Each department comprises the following branches of studies:
 - i. Communicative English and Information & Communication Technology.
 - ii. Behavioral Science
 - iii. Anatomy & Physiology
 - iv. Fundamentals of Nursing -1 & 2
 - v. Medical & Surgical Nursing-1 & 2
 - vi. Pediatric Nursing
 - vii. Community Health Nursing
 - viii. Psychiatric Nursing
 - ix. Orthopedic Nursing
 - x. Emergency & Critical Care Nursing
 - xi. Midwifery
 - xii. Nursing Education & Management
 - xiii. Research in Nursing
5. Duration of the Course: Bachelor of Nursing Science course is of 4 years duration and will comprise of subjects of Nursing Curriculum as specified in the syllabus laid down from time to time.
6. Student's registration shall be valid for 8 years.

Qualifications for admission into the Bachelor of Nursing Science Course

7. The Applicant who meets the following criteria will be eligible to enter into the Bachelor of Nursing Science
- Entry qualification:** The applicants must have passed both SSC & HSC Examinations in Science with Biology from any Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education in Bangladesh. Students will be selected on merit basis. Merit score will be determined from cumulative result of GPA in SSC, HSC & admission test which will be decided by admission committee.
 - Marks conversion from GCE - 'O' level and 'A' level will be decided by the central admission committee.
 - The candidates will apply within 3 years after passing HSC Examination.
 - Student will be selected on merit basis. Merit score will be determined from cumulative GPA of SSC & HSC result and from the admission test result.
 - Medical (physical & mental) fitness will be essential before admission.
 - Student will be a single.
8. **Admission procedure:** Admission procedures will be formulated and conducted by the concerned authority as laid down in the curriculum.
9. **Degree awarded:** Bachelor of Nursing Science.
10. On the successful completion of the degree, the student is required to take the BNMC Comprehensive Examination for licensing as a registered nurse.
11. Student must involve in the clinical practice round the clock and as mentioned in the curriculum.

Total Subjects and Marks

12. There are total 15 subjects in the Bachelor of Nursing Science program as specified in the curriculum and syllabus.
13. Total marks will be 3800 in four year course. Subject wise marks are specified in the curriculum.

Evaluation system

14. The University examinations (year final examinations) will be held twice in each year in December and in June under the concerned university; each examination shall be considered as regular.
15. There will be year (1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year and 4th year) final examinations at the end of each year.
16. A candidate will not be allowed to any university examination unless she/he has:
 - a. Fulfill to the conditions as laid down in the ordinance of the Bachelor of Nursing Science Program.
 - b. Furnished a certificate from a principal of Nursing College:
 - i. of good conduct
 - ii. of having fulfilled the conditions for attendance.
 - iii. Satisfactorily completion of all appropriate college examinations, and clinical practices.
 - c. Paid the examination fees to the Controller of Examinations.
17. A student must appear in each year final examination. In order to pass each year of the course overall, a student must achieve a pass grade in all subjects in that year. Student must pass in each individual assessment area (written, oral and practical and/or clinical examination) of every subject.
18. If a student fails in any year final examination, she/he will get maximum 3 (three) successive chances for passing the examination of that year. Regular examination will be considered as 1st chance, 2nd chance will be given in June and 3rd chance will be given with the final regular examination of the next batch.
19. If a student fails in any subject she / he may appear the next examination i.e. they may continue the course but she/he must fulfill the course requirements.
20. If a student fails in the first year examination in any subject, She/he may attend 2nd year classes but will not be allowed to appear in the 2nd year final examination until she/he passes all subjects of 1st year. The same rule is applicable for 2nd year, 3rd year and 4th year.
21. If a student fails in any paper in a subject, she / he will appear only in that paper in the next examination. For example; if a student fails paper I or II of the Anatomy & Physiology subject, the student has to appear only that failed paper.
22. If a student cannot secure pass mark in any assessment compartment of a subject there shall be scope to makeup the pass mark (2 marks for each failed subject) from other assessment compartments of that specified subject.

Clinical Placement

Student must involve in the clinical practice round the clock as curriculum requirement.

In the first year, students will not be placed for clinical learning in night shift. From 2nd year to 3rd year & 4th year students will be placed in night shift and they must be under supervision of the senior staff nurses or clinical instructor if available. The ratio of the day, evening and night will be 3:2:1 per week.

Timing of evaluation

23. Formative assessment will be done throughout the year. Written examination (summative assessment) will be conducted at the end of the each year. The oral and practical examination will be held after the written examination.
24. There will be study leave for students, 1 week before the term examination & 1 week before year final examination. The course will be completed at least 4 weeks before examination. The examination form will be filled up as prescribed rule of the concerned university.

Result

25. **Pass mark:** 60% marks must be obtained as pass mark in formative (written & practical) and summative assessment (written and aggregate marks of oral and practical / clinical examination) for each subjects where there is applicable.
26. **Honours mark:** Honours mark should be awarded when 80% and above mark is obtained in all subjects.
27. **Distinction:** When 80% or more mark is achieved in any (one or more) subject, this is called distinction.
28. **Position:** Ten positions will be declared according to merit. Position will be calculated on the basis of total aggregated marks obtained by the student who has passed in first attempt/regular course in all subjects in the final (4th) year of Bachelor of Nursing Science examinations.
29. Re-examinee student will not get the position but may get distinction mark in individual subject(s).

Students' eligibility to appear in the year final examination

30. A student will be eligible to appear in the year final examination if she/he has fulfilled the following conditions:
 - i. Has undergone one-year academic course in each individual subject.
 - ii. Class attendance must be at least 75% of theory classes & 85% in clinical / field practice and demonstration sessions separately in each subject.
 - iii. Must be completed term examinations.
 - iv. Has paid the requisite amount of examination fee.
 - v. For appearing in the 2nd year, 3rd year and 4th year final examination, the student must pass the previous year final examination.

Time limits for completion of B. Sc. in Nursing Education Program

31. There are several points at which a student's progress may be detained.
 - i. Ideally four years will be required to complete the degree of Bachelor of Nursing Science course.
 - ii. Students' registration will be valid for 8 years to complete the four years course. A student will not be graduated if she/he does not successfully complete the course within this time limit.
 - iii. If a student fails to attend the classes within one month (without any information) at the beginning of the course, her/his studentship will be cancelled. Ideally four years will be required for the completion of Bachelor of Nursing Science programme. If students fail in any year, after 3rd chances she/he needs special permission for 4th time appearing from the Dean, Faculty of Medicine/ Nursing provided the candidate would have to drop one year final examination. In case of failure in the 4th time, she/he might take permission from the Vice Chancellor for appearing the next examination. However, it should be happened once in the 4 year academic course.

Procedures for re-examination

32. After fulfilling the eligibility criteria:

- i. The student who fails (whether appeared or not) in any subject of the course in any year final examination will be eligible to sit for next coming examination (January /July) on payment of the due examination fees.
- ii. The student who failed in the first year final examination, she/he will get maximum three successive chances for passing the examination of that year. She/he may attend 2nd year classes but will not be allowed to appear in the 2nd year final examination, until she/he passes all subjects of 1st year. The same rule is applicable for 2nd year, 3rd year and 4th year.
- iii. However, if a student fails in the 2nd chance in any year, she/he will not be allowed to continue the classes for the next year until she/he passes all subjects of that year.
- iv. If any student fails in term examinations, there will be a provision for re-examinations.

Re-admission

33. Re-admission will be permitted in the following conditions:

- i. If a student discontinues the classes from the first year for any reason, her/his studentship will be valid up to 2 years with prior permission from the concerned authority. In such case re-admission in 1st year will be acceptable within two years with fresh batch without admission test.
- ii. If a student discontinues the classes from either 2nd year or 3rd year or 4th year, re-admission for 2nd year or 3rd year or 4th year will be acceptable within 2 (two) years with prior permission from the concerned authority.

Examination Committee

34. Examination committee will be formed before final examination of each year. Members will be selected by the Dean, Faculty of Medicine/ Nursing.

- i. By virtue of the post the Dean Faculty of Medicine/Nursing will be the chairperson of the examination committee.
- ii. By virtue of the post head of the concerned Nursing College will be the center In-charge.
- iii. Head of the department or coordinator of the respective subjects will be the convener of the examination.

35. Questions will be comprised as laid down in the curriculum and examination system.

Question Setters, Moderators & Examiners will be selected according to rules of the respective University

36. There will be 2 (two) paper setters for preparing a full set of questions (MCQ, BAQ, SAQ & EAQ) in each individual subject.
37. There will be two moderators from respective subject teachers to finalize a question paper for each individual subject.
38. There will be two internal and external examiners from respective subject teachers selected for each subject.
39. 50% examiners will be external in each individual subject.
40. Both internal and external examiners will conduct the oral or/and practical examination.
41. Formative marks will be given by the convener (subject teacher) and signed by the both internal and external examiners.

Criteria for Assessors/Examiners

42. Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor will conduct the year final examination of Bachelor of Nursing Science.
43. Lecturer and Instructor having Master's Degree in Nursing or Master of Public Health in health related subject or equivalent with minimum two (2) years of teaching experience in Nursing will also conduct the year final examination as examiners/assessors.
44. Marks distribution will be distributed according to patterns of questions which have been laid down in the Examination System Module.

Internship: After completion of the program every student has to perform 06 (six) months internship.

Certification and Licensure:

Bangladesh Nursing and Midwifery Council will issue license/registration as a registered nurse after passed comprehensive or licencing examination.

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