



## REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

### YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY Associate of Science in Nursing

#### **Request:**

Youngstown State University requests approval to offer an Associate of Science in Nursing at Mercy Health, St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital, 1044 Belmont Ave, Youngstown, OH 44504.

#### **Background:**

Youngstown State University is a public institution located in Youngstown, Ohio. The university has an enrollment of over 10,000 students in programs at the associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctorate levels. Youngstown State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission until its next review in 2027-28. The university also holds specialized accreditation with the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

#### **Curriculum and Enrollment:**

The Associate of Science in Nursing is a 65 semester hour program that will complement the institution's currently approved Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), Registered Nursing (RN) to BSN program, and Master of Science programs. The program includes coursework in general education, microbiology for the health professions, lifespan development, mental health nursing, maternal-newborn nursing, medical-surgical nursing, pathophysiology, and a comprehensive nursing summary course.

Youngstown State University anticipates an enrollment of 40 students in the initial year of the program, growing to 170 students in the fourth year.

#### **Faculty and Resources:**

Youngstown State University has faculty and resources to support the needs of the program. Additional faculty will be added to the program in future years based upon enrollment.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Associate of Science in Nursing meets the Chancellor's standards for baccalaureate degrees and approval is recommended. Approval may be withdrawn if, in the Chancellor's judgement, Youngstown State University fails to continue to meet the Chancellor's standards for undergraduate degree programs or receives a sanction from the Higher Learning Commission or does not receive approval for the program from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

End of Comment Period: 08/26/2021 at 12:29pm

No comments received, recommend approval

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	
The Associate Vice Chancellor has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.	
/s/ Stephanie McCann	8/31/2021
<b>Stephanie McCann, Associate Vice Chancellor of Program Development &amp; Approval</b>	<b>Date</b>

<b>APPROVAL</b>	
	
Randy Gardner, Chancellor	9/14/2021
	<b>Date</b>

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