Subject: Re: Request for Letter of Support for OSU-Cascades RN to BSN program
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 at 4:05:52 PM Pacific Daylight Time
From: Witzke, Kara on behalf of Witzke, Kara
To: Johnson, Rebecca, Haggerty, Roy
CC: Simonich, Staci Lynn, Yong, Tze-Yiu, Templeton, Lisa L
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Roy,
I just spoke with Tze. I'll try to recap our discussion.

- OSU-Cascades is developing and delivering the 41 credits of NUR classes in collaboration with Ecampus.
- There are a minimum of another 19 credits that students must take to complete (in addition to what they might transfer in from an AAOT) in order to complete their BSN degree. These include: ST 201, two Synthesis courses in Bacc Core (6 credits), two BSN support courses at the 300/400 level that are somehow related to health (I have listed some in the proposal but these may be approved by the director), and one 300/400 level course that is a free elective.
- While OSU-Cascades will not be partnering on the 41 credits of NUR, students will need these 19+ credits (outlined above) that may be taken either through Ecampus or on either of our physical campuses. This is where the COS may think about courses that would be a good fit.
- Another possibility for partnership would be in the development of a clear pre-nursing -> RN -> BSN pathway. It would be great if students who wanted to be a nurse, completed all of their prereqs for nursing (RN) school while also completing the other 19+ credits they will need for the BSN. That way, once they complete their RN degree, then could finish up their 41 credits of nursing through our program and have their BSN. We might even be able to provide some type of "guaranteed admission" to our BSN if they were one of your pre-nursing advisees. Does that make sense?

Let me know if we need to discuss further. I think there are possibilities for both of us to benefit from this program (outside of the NUR designator). We do appreciate your support for the RN to BSN program Cat I proposal. If you would like to supply a letter in this regard, I will include it with the Cat 1 materials.

Best,
Kara

From: "Johnson, Rebecca" <Becky.Johnson@osucascades.edu>
Date: Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 6:00 PM
To: "Haggerty, Roy" <Roy.Haggerty@oregonstate.edu>, "Witzke, Kara" <Kara.Witzke@osucascades.edu>
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Roy - In case it wasn't clear, this degree is an RN to BSN degree, meaning that students either take their RN at COCC (or some other institution), or are already an RN and working, and we only offer the last two years of the

BSN degree. Kara can correct me if I'm wrong, but I don't believe there are any College of Science courses in these last two years. Any new nursing courses will be developed at OSU-Cascades and offered through OSU-Cascades. As you may know, if E-Campus courses are offered from Corvallis departments, OSU-Cascades gets zero revenue, even if they are taken by our students who we enroll, advise, and generally support. There are very few opportunities for us to offer E-Campus classes because most are already offered from Corvallis, so the only opportunity we have is with unique degrees, such as this nursing degree.

Hope this clears it up.

Thanks - Becky

From: Haggerty, Roy
Sent: Sunday, October 08, 2017 1:10 PM
To: Witzke, Kara
Cc: Johnson, Rebecca; Simonich, Staci Lynn; Yong, Tze-Yiu; Templeton, Lisa L
Subject: Re: Request for Letter of Support for OSU-Cascades RN to BSN program

Thanks very much, Kara. I'm glad Cascades is developing programs like this and look forward to partnering.

From: "Witzke, Kara" <Kara.Witzke@osucascades.edu>
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Thank you! I will connect with Tze soon.
Kara

From: "Haggerty, Roy" <Roy.Haggerty@oregonstate.edu>
Date: Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 6:48 AM
To: "Witzke, Kara" <Kara.Witzke@osucascades.edu>
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Kara -

This is exciting! Thanks for your liaison request. The College of Science is beginning a significant expansion in our ecampus offerings, and we would be interested in partnering with you to allow our courses to work in to the RN to BSN program. We may be willing to add additional courses if that were useful to your program and if the courses are strategically important.

My program manager for expansion of ecampus is Tze Yong, and he is cc'd. Before writing a support letter, I would like to have a conversation about how to involve COS more deeply in the program. Might you and Tze have an initial conversation about this? Tze and you can pull in others in Corvallis and at Cascades as needed to move it forward.

Thanks,
Roy Haggerty

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10/4/17

Roy Haggerty, Dean
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Dear Dr. Haggerty,

Nationally, there is a growing need for bachelor's trained nurses in our healthcare workforce. The attached Executive Summary and New Program Proposal provides justification for Oregon's first public RN to BSN nursing program, offered by OSU-Cascades in collaboration with Oregon State University's Ecampus.

OSU-Cascades was approached several years ago by St. Charles Healthcare System, our local hospital in Central Oregon and our local community college, Central Oregon Community College, to develop a program that would provide a pipeline for newly minted RNs as well as working nurses to obtain their bachelor's degree in nursing (BSN). This proposal is in direct response to our local need for highly trained nurses, but the fully online nature of the program will also provide access to all licensed nurses in Oregon with an affordable pathway to advance their careers.

As an OSU College that may have an interest in this program, we are seeking your support for this program. I have included the Executive Summary and the program proposal in it's entirely for your review and response. Your comments can be brief and may be sent to me directly. If you wish to discuss this program further or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at: 541-322-2063 or at kara.witzke@osucascades.edu.

Your response before Wednesday, October 18, if possible, is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kara A. Witzke
Assistant Dean
Oregon State University-Cascades