BRANDON UNIVERSITY

FACULTY OF HEALTH STUDIES

Subject:	Math Competency for BN Students	**Date:**	December 2, 2013
Department:	Nursing	**Revised:**	October 29, 2014
Program:	Bachelor of Nursing	**Reviewed:**	November 27, 2017

POLICY:

Math proficiency testing will occur strategically throughout the Bachelor of Nursing program to ensure that students are achieving high levels of basic math competence.

1) Year 2 Math Screening will occur within the first term of Year 2 of the Bachelor of Nursing program. The Course Leader for Nursing Applications I will be responsible for Math Screening in Year 2. Students will have three (3) attempts to achieve a passing score of 90%. Use of calculators is not permitted for Math Screening. If a student fails to achieve 90% on third attempt, he/she will be referred to the Math Centre. Student must submit written evidence from the Math Centre indicating attendance and assistance received for math skills. A copy of this letter will be placed in the Student Progress File.

2) Math Screening for the LPN cohort will occur in Nursing Foundations IV. The Faculty member for Nursing Foundations IV will be responsible for Math Screening. Students will have three (3) attempts to achieve a passing score of 90%. Use of calculators is not permitted for Math Screening. If a student fails to achieve 90% on third attempt, he/she will be referred to the Math Centre. Student must submit written evidence from the Math Centre indicating attendance and assistance received for math skills. A copy of this letter will be placed in the Student Progress File.

3) Year 3 Math Testing will occur in Term 1 and Term 2. In Term 1, the Course Leader for Nursing Practice IV will be responsible for Math Testing and in Term 2 the Course Leader for Nursing Practice V will be responsible for Math Testing. Year 4 Math Testing will occur in Term 1 and the Course Leader for Nursing Practice VIII will be responsible for Math Testing. Students will be allowed three (3) attempts to attain 100% on the Math Test. Calculators will be permitted. If he/she does not achieve 100%, independence in clinical courses may be revoked. As a result, the student may not be successful in the clinical course.

4) The *Math Proficiency Tracking Form* will include grades obtained on all Math Screening/Testing and will be placed in a binder in the General Office until the student graduates. Upon graduation, the Math Proficiency Tracking Form will be placed in the student file.