

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
UDC RESOLUTION 2020 –**

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE REGISTERED NURSE TO BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (RN-TO-BSN) ONLINE NURSING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Code §38-1202.06(3), the Board of Trustees is authorized to establish or approve policies and procedures governing admissions, curricula, programs, graduation, the awarding of degrees, and general policy making for the components of the University; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 8B DCMR §308.1, new associate, baccalaureate, and graduate degree programs may be added to the University curricula upon recommendation by the Faculty Senate and the President and after approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the University's *Equity Imperative 2022* Strategic Plan expresses the commitment of the University to offer students flexible degree options preparing them for careers in the nursing profession and skills at the baccalaureate nursing level that are needed more than ever in the health care environment; and

WHEREAS, providing a flexible online RN-to-BSN Nursing degree will increase student options to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree; and

WHEREAS, the University will benefit from the first fully online professional program, which will open new opportunities for the University to attract potential students beyond the Washington, DC, metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the University of the District of Columbia and its College of Agriculture, Urban Sustainability and Environmental Sciences agree that converting this program to an online nursing degree will benefit the University; and

WHEREAS, the proposed RN-to-BSN Nursing Program has been approved by all required levels of the faculty and administration.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia hereby approves the implementation of the Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-to-BSN) Online Nursing Program in accordance with the attached proposal, provided that the funds required to implement the program shall not be obligated until they have been identified and reprogrammed within existing University resources.

Submitted by the Academic & Student Affairs Committee:

May 20, 2020

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

June 16, 2020

Christopher D. Bell
Chairperson of the Board