

Operating Standard

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Standard: As stated in the University Calendar, students are required to submit proof of current CPR Certification, which includes a Health Care Provider component, prior to commencement of clinical/ practice courses.

Faculty of Nursing regulations state that CPR certification is valid for a 12-month period from the date of issue regardless of the expiration date printed on the card. The card is valid until the end of the month in which it expired. This is applicable for programs with a practical component.

Purpose: To ensure that the student maintains CPR certification status for the duration of each practice course.

To ensure the safety of students and the clients or patients they serve.

The professional and ethical responsibility for maintaining current CPR certification rests with the student.

Procedure: The undergraduate student will:

- submit proof of current CPR certification to the Instructor on the first day of each practice course.

The Instructor will:

- verify the date of each student's CPR certificate at the beginning of each practice course and note the expiration date on the Midterm and Final Evaluation document. It is not necessary to photocopy the CPR certificate. The CPR certificate is good until the end of the month in which you were certified.
- if the student does not have current CPR certification, the Associate Dean, Undergraduate Practice Education, will be informed and the student will be withheld from entering the practice setting.

**Points of
Emphasis:**

All students will be informed of the CPR regulations and requirements prior to officially entering the program.

Within the Faculty of Nursing, the CPR Certificate is valid for 1 year from the date of issue.

Certification courses must contain a Healthcare Provider component and must be recognized by the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR). All courses must have an in-person practical component.