

FACULTY MEETING
October 2, 2009

MOTION

CEPP moves that the faculty approve the articulation agreement with New York University College of Nursing, which would permit qualified students to complete the requirements for the baccalaureate degree from Skidmore College and the 15 month accelerated baccalaureate nursing degree from NYUCN or a two year non-accelerated baccalaureate nursing degree from NYUCN.

RATIONALE:

The proposed articulation agreement with NYU College of Nursing will provide qualified Skidmore students with an excellent educational opportunity.

After completing either the 15 month accelerated program or a two year non-accelerated baccalaureate nursing program, qualified students will be eligible for the Dual Degree program, a B.S/M.S program, which enables students to obtain a bachelor's degree in Nursing and a master's degree in Nursing that prepares them to be nurse practitioners, midwives, educators, or nurse managers. The health care field is growing rapidly and in need of qualified professionals.

Skidmore was at one time associated with nursing education. When the college's program was phased out in the 1980s, Skidmore lost that connection. This articulation agreement with NYU College of Nursing will once again link Skidmore to nursing education.

The proposed agreement is consistent with Skidmore's Strategic Plan in terms of enhancing the natural sciences.

Faculty in the departments of Exercise Science, Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, the Health Professions Advisory Committee, and the Associate Dean of Academic Advising, were instrumental in the development of the curriculum.

Other Liberal Arts Colleges that have articulation agreements with nursing programs include Gettysburg College and Mount Holyoke, both of which have agreements with Johns Hopkins College of Nursing. Hartwick College and Russell Sage Colleges have articulation agreements with the Ellis Hospital School of Nursing.