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I. Mission, Vision and Values

This policy reflects our commitment to human dignity, integrity, compassion, stewardship, and service by guiding decisions and actions that uphold respect for all individuals and promote excellence in our work.

This policy aligns with our mission of extending the compassionate ministry of Jesus by improving the health and well-being of our communities and providing good help to those in need, especially the poor, dying, and underserved by ensuring that our practices support ethical, effective, and accountable service across all areas of the organization.

II. Policy

General Education Requirements

III. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for general education requirements at Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI).

IV. Scope

This policy applies to all students of SOMI.

V. Policy Details

General Education Requirements:

These courses are required to provide students with a solid foundation in liberal education. Questions regarding the transferability of general education courses should be addressed with the Office of the

Registrar. Students are required to satisfactorily complete all general education courses with a minimum grade of "C" and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.

Social Consciousness:

The development of social consciousness is crucial to producing well-informed and capable citizens who can participate productively in society, with openness and awareness of others outside one's own work, with an understanding of the past in order to build a fair, opportune, and sustainable future, and with appreciation of interconnections and how local actions affect the global environment.

Required coursework in the social consciousness category:

- Psychology OR Sociology

Analytical Competencies:

The analytical competencies foster the student's capacity for critical thinking, productive and open dialogue, and the ability to proactively solve problems and embrace the challenges of the world. These general education courses are fundamental to the foundation of the health sciences curriculum.

Required coursework in the analytical competencies category:

- Human Anatomy and Physiology I & Lab*
- Human Anatomy and Physiology II & Lab*
- College level Algebra or higher (Pre-Calculus/Statistics/Calculus) *

Connectedness:

The development of connectedness enables students to connect and integrate knowledge among the liberal arts and health sciences, in the belief that together the arts and sciences provide comprehensive insight into our world and human condition.

Required coursework in the connectedness category:

- English/College Composition/Communication
- Medical Terminology
- Information Technology/Computer Applications/Computer Concepts

General Education courses indicated with an (*) must have been completed within 5 years of application cycle deadline.

VI. Definitions

None

VII. Attachments

N/A

VIII. Related Policies and Procedures

ACA 2.01 SOMI Program Admissions
ACA 3.06 SOMI School Grading System

IX. Regulatory Notices

Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI), a department owned and controlled by Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital of Richmond, LLC, and any party. SOMI, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.

X. Version Control

Version	Effective Date	Next Review Date	Description	Supersedes, if applicable	Prepared By
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This policy/procedure/guideline is not intended to establish a standard of clinical or non-clinical care or practice. Rather, this policy/procedure/guideline creates a general tool to help guide decision-making with the understanding that different action(s) may be necessary in response to the totality of the circumstances presented.

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