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Proposal: Acceptance of credits from three courses taken by students in IUSON's Accelerated Track BSN Program toward Master of Science in Nursing Degree

We are proposing that the following three courses be accepted for credits toward the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Degree for students who have successfully completed the courses and their BSN through the Accelerated Track Program at the Indiana University School of Nursing, Indianapolis. Graduate level courses required for the MSN that would be included in the Accelerated Track curriculum, replacing undergraduate courses in the same topical areas would include:

- NURS R500 Nursing Research Methods (3cr)
- NURS R505 Measurement and Data Analysis (3cr)
- NURS N502 Theory 1 (optional) (3cr)

Background about our Accelerated student body:

- All have prior baccalaureate degrees with a minimum GPA in that degree of 2.7
- All have completed the nursing prerequisites for admission to the Accelerated Track BSN program
- Admission is competitive, with most students having over a B+ average in all prerequisites, including sciences
- Focus groups conducted with our current Accelerated Track students indicated that an overwhelming majority intend to apply to graduate school in nursing

IUSON Accelerated Program graduates applying to the MSN Program would be eligible for credit from the proposed three courses if taken within seven years from graduation to admission to the IUSON MSN Program.