

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs
Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 6 – B
DATE: March 29-30, 2022

SUBJECT

Program Start Date Change – USD – DNAP in Nurse Anesthesia Program

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[BOR Policy 2:23](#) – Program and Curriculum Approval

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The University of South Dakota (USD) is requesting to move the start date of the DNAP in Nurse Anesthesia Practice degree program to Spring 2023 after consultation with program accreditors.

The DNAP program was approved by the Board in [August 2021](#) with the intended implementation date originally slated for Summer 2023.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION

Board staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I – Request Letter from USD

DRAFT MOTION 20220329_6-B:

I move to approve USD’s request to move the start date of the DNAP program to Spring 2023, as presented in Attachment I.



UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTH DAKOTA

January 6, 2022

Dr. Janice Minder
System Vice President for Academic Policy and Planning
South Dakota Board of Regents
306 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: Request to move start date of DNAP in Nurse Anesthesia Practice program to Spring 2023

Dear Dr. Minder,

After consultation with the program accreditors, Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational programs (COA), and looking at efficiencies of existing course rotation, it would be in the best interest of the DNAP in Nurse Anesthesia Practice program to begin in Spring 2023. This is one semester prior to the approved program request. Students entering the program will take NURS 773, CRNA 843, and CRNA 844 in the spring 2023 semester. The NURS 773 course is already offered in conjunction with the Doctor of Nursing Practice-Organizational and Systems Leadership program and would allow us to create greater efficiencies in course rotation in the two programs moving forward.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this request. If you have questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kurt Hackemer'.

Kurt Hackemer
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
The University of South Dakota

cc: Haifa AbouSamra, Dean, School of Health Sciences