MISSION STATEMENT FOR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

The mission of the Bastyr University bachelor’s degree completion programs is to help each student build a strong foundation of basic knowledge and skills, as well as foster a greater understanding of health of body, mind and spirit.

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Bastyr University bachelor’s degree completion programs provide students with opportunities to develop competency in basic skills such as written and verbal communication, critical thinking and the ability to work cooperatively with others. The degree completion programs also provide students with opportunities to develop competency in the fundamental theories, models, core knowledge and skills of their major field of study.

The degree completion programs uniquely emphasize the importance of holism and the natural health arts and sciences. The programs provide students with opportunities to develop a deeper understanding of the interconnections between body, mind and spirit and learn to foster wellness in themselves and others through approaches found in the natural health arts and sciences.

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION AT BASTYR UNIVERSITY

As Bastyr University continues to develop undergraduate degree offerings, we strive to maintain consistency across all programs in terms of admissions requirements, shared courses, double majors and undergraduate student support. The undergraduate experience at Bastyr encompasses a range of academic programs, which are coordinated by the Undergraduate Committee. Admissions requirements, the structure of interdisciplinary courses, double majors and general policy issues affecting undergraduates are all considered by this committee. The Undergraduate Committee works closely with the admissions office to ensure that applicants who meet all basic criteria are admitted to the University and to the undergraduate program of their choice.

THE UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS

Exercise Science and Wellness (For curriculum see page 59.)
Health Psychology (For curriculum see page 50.)
Herbal Sciences (For curriculum see page 74.)
Integrated Human Biology (For curriculum see page 47)
Nutrition (For curriculum see page 58.)
Nutrition and Culinary Arts (For curriculum see page 63.)
Nutrition with DPD (For curriculum see page 61.)
Nutrition and Exercise Science (For curriculum see page 62.)

FULL-TIME EXPECTATIONS

The undergraduate curricula are designed for full-time participants. Students may complete a program on a part-time basis but should recognize that there may be scheduling conflicts between required courses. It is the responsibility of a student who wishes to complete a program on a part-time basis to work with an advisor to arrange an appropriate schedule. Special sections will not be offered to accommodate the needs of part-time students.

DOUBLE MAJORS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Bastyr University will allow students to complete two majors, provided students are in good standing at the time they wish to declare their second major. The second major cannot be declared until the second quarter of attendance. However, students may start attending courses required for the second major in their first quarter of attendance. Students must submit a declaration of double major form to the registrar’s office at the time the major is declared. Students are required to have their program of study approved by the appropriate chair(s) and/or dean(s) at the time the double major is declared.

There are no predetermined schedules for the double majors. It is the student’s responsibility to create appropriate schedules for double major combinations. Students must meet quarterly with the undergraduate advisor in the registrar’s office for assistance in tracking the progress of the two majors.

Students are advised that declaring a double major will increase the amount of time it takes to graduate.
The minimum amount of time to complete any double major is three years. If the required courses for any quarter exceed the limit on student credit loads as outlined on page 15 of the *Bastyr University Catalog*, the student must obtain permission from the academic chairs of both majors.

Students earning a double major must usually complete no fewer than 220 credits. The credit requirement total for double majors is determined by the total of the prerequisite basic proficiency, science and general education credits, the major core credits in both programs and any elective credit requirement with defined parameters for one or both majors (for example, two activity credits required for exercise science and wellness majors). Where duplication exists between the two majors, the student is not required to make up the credits represented by the duplication.

**Undergraduate Academic Probation, Suspension and Dismissal**

Summary information on academic probation, suspension and dismissal as well as the appeals process, applicable to all students, is provided on page 14 of this catalog. In addition to the information provided below, more specific standards, guidelines and practices may be developed and published by individual schools and/or programs of the University. Undergraduate students should refer to the complete policies governing probation, suspension, dismissal and appeals published in the *Academic Policy and Procedure Manual*.

**Reasons for Academic Probation**

An undergraduate student may be placed on academic probation under the following circumstances:

- The student’s cumulative GPA falls below 2.0
- The student’s GPA for the quarter is below that required for graduation, even if the student’s cumulative GPA is above that required for graduation
- The student earned a grade lower than the minimum required by the school or program in a required course, internship or clinical rotation
- The student’s record shows that s/he has failed a course more than once, or that the student has a number of incompletes and/or withdrawals that the dean or dean’s designee considers to be of concern

A student placed on academic probation will be required to meet with a faculty advisor to develop an academic improvement plan that the student must complete in order to be removed from academic probation.

A student is generally placed on academic probation for one quarter. If the dean or dean’s designee determines that the student has not satisfied the conditions of the probation, the dean or dean’s designee will determine whether the student will be:

- Continued on probation and the circumstances for continued probation
- Placed on suspension (see below)
- Recommended for dismissal (see below)

The dean or dean’s designee will notify the student each quarter that s/he remains on probation and whenever the student’s academic status has changed.

**Dismissal for Academic Deficiencies**

Each school at Bastyr University has a Student Progress Committee that follows an individual dismissal policy. Recommendations for dismissal are submitted to the provost for consideration. The provost will make the final decision on student dismissals.

A student may be dismissed from Bastyr University:

- If the student fails to fulfill the conditions of academic probation
- After the second consecutive quarter on probation (including summer, if enrolled)
- After the third quarter on probation (including summer, if enrolled); the quarters need not be consecutive

Students who are dismissed will be dropped from all classes for which they are registered at the time of dismissal.

**Summer Massage Intensive**

Bastyr University and the Bellevue Massage School Center for Healing Arts offer a summer massage training program that allows students to apply coursework taken at Bastyr University toward the Washington state requirements for licensure. This course cannot be audited. Students interested in further information may meet with their academic advisor in the registrar’s office or with their department’s program supervisor to discuss the program availability and the course prerequisites.