

After 32 years experience as a nurse, and 26 years experience as a nurse academic, I am extremely concerned at the number of university graduates from BN programs who gain registration as a nurse, but who should never have done so - often despite the best efforts of the nurse academics who tried unsuccessfully to remove them from their programs. Some of these graduates have subsequently been struck off the register. This issue is getting worse as universities are forced to take in larger numbers of students, a growing proportion of whom are academically incompetent, mentally ill or of poor character.

Consequently, I would like to offer my strong support for the following proposals:

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4.4.2b

4.4 - should include BN students, who should be registered as soon as they enroll in their BN course.

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