



Notice of Possible Implications of Criminal Convictions
And Required Criminal Background Checks

Many Salisbury University academic programs require that you successfully complete certain clinical courses, internships or practica (“Clinical Program”). These experiences are offered at off-campus sites including hospitals or other institutional settings that are not part of the University (“Agency/Agencies”). These Agencies, in order to protect their clientele, may require that you disclose whether you have a criminal record and/or that you submit to a criminal background check investigation, including fingerprinting, as a condition of your participation or continued participation in a Clinical Program. Agencies have the right to require a criminal background check investigation, including fingerprints, at any time before or during your Clinical Program.

Should you be accepted into the nursing program, you should assume that a criminal background check will be mandatory for you at all Agencies to which you could be assigned. Salisbury University has no obligation to make any special or other arrangements for you or to refund your tuition in the event an Agency refuses your participation due to the results of a criminal background check, or if for any other legal reason the Agency determines you are ineligible to participate in or complete the required Clinical Program, academic coursework or other program requirements. This means that you may not be able to complete the requirements of the nursing major.

Admission into the nursing program is at the sole discretion and decision of Salisbury University. If accepted into the nursing program, you will be participating in an academic program that can lead to being licensed in a profession. The nursing profession requires a state license as a condition for performing the duties and responsibilities of a registered nurse. These laws generally permit a licensing board or agency to deny a license or to revoke or suspend a license, or to reprimand a licensee if they are convicted, or plead guilty, or plead *nolo contendere* to a felony or other specified crime, including crimes involving moral turpitude. In the event you have a criminal record, the University urges you to contact the applicable State licensing authority in a timely fashion to inquire as to the effects, if any, your criminal record may have on your eligibility for licensure **before** you make your decision to apply for or to accept admission to any Salisbury University academic program.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand this Notice relating to the possible consequences of having a criminal record, and that I understand the effects a criminal record may have upon my ability to complete the requirements of my academic major and my eligibility for licensure in my profession. I further understand that my signature on this form does not affect admissions decisions.

Printed Name _____ SU Student ID # _____

Signature _____ Date _____