## **Explanation Exhibit C.3.f**

## C.3.f. Ongoing development and annual evaluation of the midwifery program's resources, facilities, and services.

Students are surveyed about the GC SON resources, facilities, and services during Survey September every three years. This is a snapshot of not only the student's perspective about the program; but also faculty and stake holders. Survey September will be completed during September 2019 and the results will be analyzed and presented to the NFO and specific committees for incorporation into our Educational Effectiveness Plan. Each cohort of MSN students elects a student representative who is invited to attend or submit a report to the Graduate Nursing Committee at their regular meetings. This provides an opportunity for students to participate in this process on an ongoing basis while they are in the program.

The GC SON Advisory Board meets twice a year and is actively involved with the ongoing development and evaluation of our GC SON programs. GC SON Advisory Board is made up of 26 members. They worked directly with SON faculty to help transform and plan the baccalaureate program by providing a unique perspective on opportunities to infused liberal arts foundation into the curriculum and helping to guide the establishment of the Simulation and Translational Research Center.

Within the organizational structure, the Director of the SON has overall responsibility and accountability for the financial stability of the school. With input from faculty and staff, she prepares and defends annual budget requests to the Dean of the CoHS and Academic Vice President & Provost. The University budget process continues to highly prioritize academic planning and allocation of essential resources. The annual budget is prepared to support stated goals and objectives for the academic year, available for discussion and review by the faculty, and approved by the Board of Regents. All schools and colleges in the University follow the same process for budget preparation and review.

Each year, the GC SON Director solicits input from the Assistant Directors, and Program Coordinators to determine budget needs for the following fiscal year. In turn, these academic leaders meet with respective faculty to determine whether current resources are adequate and what further resources will be needed. These requests are communicated to the Dean of CoHS who prepares the budget and submits it to the Academic Vice President & Provost. This same process will be followed to ensure adequate MSN-NM program resources. The Director has received full support for budget requests, which has included one additional faculty position each year for the past two years and two faculty positions for the current academic year, commensurate with increasing enrollment. The operating and personnel budgets of the GC SON are evidence of the University's support through allocation of adequate fiscal resources.

## **Exhibits are:**

- 1. Survey September Examples
- 2. Analysis of Past September Survey Results
- 3. Examples of SON Advisory Board Information

3. Examples of Budget Request Sheets from SON