

Articulation Agreement
Between Brookdale Community College Health Sciences Institute-Nursing
And
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences
School of Nursing

Academic progression remains a critical imperative to prepare qualified professionals ready for the demands of a complex health care environment. Strong engagement among academia, employers, and other stakeholders to prepare more nurses in baccalaureate and graduate degree programs is essential. This agreement is designed to strengthen the existing ties between Brookdale Community College and Rutgers University and to act as a formal statement to assert the institutions' commitment to provide students and clients with academic, career and lifelong learning opportunities. Brookdale Community College (here after referred to as BCC), a community college in Monmouth County, New Jersey and Rutgers University, School of Nursing, agree to the following program articulation.

Transferring credits from BCC:

Student completing the A.A.S. in Nursing at BCC may transfer 64 credits towards a B.S. in Nursing allowing them to complete their Rutgers degree in two years of full-time study. Students may also transfer up to 30 additional credits to the School of Nursing if they meet the School of Nursing program requirements thereby reducing the amount of time required to complete the B.S. in Nursing degree. The student's last 30 credits must be taken at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Nursing.

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Nursing Program Requirements:

Rutgers School of Nursing RN to B.S. in Nursing program requires a minimum of 124 credits – 21 credits of basic health science, 33 credits of general education courses and 70 credits of nursing courses. See attached *Program of Study Form*.

BCC students who transfer under this articulation agreement must complete courses that appear on the attached *Program of Study Form*.

By following BCC's A.A.S. in Nursing curriculum, students can transfer 64 credits to Rutgers School of Nursing program: 40 credits towards Nursing courses, 12 credits towards the basic health sciences, and 12 credits towards the general education courses.

- Courses transferring to the School of Nursing must have a grade of "C" or better.
- Courses taken at BCC need not be repeated at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Nursing.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.2 is required for admission into Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Nursing.
- Any change in the curriculum of BCC or Rutgers School of Nursing will require a review of this agreement by both parties.
- Curricular changes should be sent in writing to the other party in advance of a meeting to revise this agreement

This articulation is intended to serve as a guide for students who want to transfer from BCC to Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Nursing. As each student is unique, the School of Nursing will provide students with guidance and information about their individual transfer situation.

Students will be responsible for meeting all requirements of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, including, but not limited to, student health and accident insurance, student health and immunization requirements, completion of Essential Functions/Technical Standards form, criminal background checks, drug-testing as required, and orientation requirements.

Administrative Council:

An Administrative Council will be established and charged with the administrative responsibilities inherent in the operation of this articulated program. The composition, method of appointment, and responsibilities of the Administrative Council are outlined below. In addition, a Curriculum Committee consisting of faculty from both institutions will be appointed for this articulated academic program. The committee will be responsible for the academic curriculum, standards and integrity of the articulated degree program. Committee chairs across both programs are responsible for ensuring the comparability of the articulated programs.

For collaborative institutional functions, The Administrative Council will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating the following collaborative functions:

- 1) Developing and sharing of planning, research, and assessment data.
- 2) Recruiting and counseling students.
- 3) Admitting all students for programs in accordance with established admission requirements of both institutions.
- 4) Planning and instituting an integrated schedule of courses and the appropriate scheduling of facilities.
- 5) Encouraging students to use the library facilities of both institutions.
- 6) Encouraging students to participate in activities available at both institutions.
- 7) Providing for regular program planning and evaluation, marketing/advertising, print materials when needed, flexible space, office and technology supports

Collaborative practices support the joint initiatives by both organizations however, each institution is responsible for the academic program operated under its individual auspices. Although intercollegiate registration procedures may be developed, each institution is responsible for setting its own tuition and fees. Public and private funding sources can be contacted on a collaborative basis to develop and enhance programs.

Membership of the Administrative Council:

Criteria for membership will be established by each institution. The membership of the Council shall include:

- a) Three members appointed by BCC
- b) Three members appointed by Rutgers University

Each institution shall designate, from among its three representatives to the Administrative Council, a person who will co-chair the Council.

The direct responsibilities of the Administrative Council will include activities but not limited to:

- 1) Recommend, plan and coordinate the development of the operation of programs including (a) admission requirements; (b) course scheduling; (c) on-going evaluation of programs; (d) facilities utilization; (e) budget management; and (f) other coordinating activities as become necessary.
- 2) Hold regular meetings according to a mutually agreed upon schedule with a minimum of four meetings per year. Administrative Council meetings must be at least quarterly.

Prepare an annual report describing the operation including an evaluation of all programs and services. The report is to be submitted to the Deans of the respecting nursing programs.

BCC and Rutgers School of Nursing agree to publicize this agreement via, but not limited to marketing materials and information sessions. BCC and Rutgers School of Nursing agree to collaborate to ensure successful transfer and advising sessions, as needed.

Termination: This agreement will be subject to review and renewal every three years unless terminated upon one year's notice in writing by either party to the other. If terminated, those students already accepted into Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey School of Nursing will be allowed to complete the program.

Approval of Agreement: This agreement shall be effective for three years from May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2022. To ensure continuity and maintenance of this agreement, it shall be reviewed and updated every three years or as needed when either party makes curricular changes.

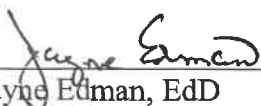
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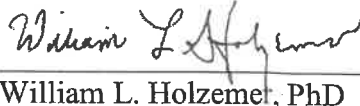
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PROGRAM OF STUDY FORM

These courses may be transferred or taken at any point in the curriculum (33 credits):

Rutgers University School of Nursing	Brookdale Community College Equivalents
English Composition I (355:101)	ENG 121 English Composition I
English Composition II (355:101/355:201)	ENG 122 English Composition II
Anthropology or Cultural Studies	
Introduction to Sociology (21:920:201 or 01:920:101)	SOC 101 Principles of Sociology
History/Political Science or Economics #1	
History/Political Science or Economics #2	
Humanities	HESC 105 Medical Terminology
Literature	
Free Elective #1	PSYC 106 Intro to Psych II
Free Elective #2	HESC 115 Nutrition
Free Elective #3	

Science/Math Requirements (Basic Health Science): The following courses must be transferred or taken at Rutgers before taking any upper division nursing course (21 credits):

Rutgers University School of Nursing	Brookdale Community College Equivalents
Anatomy & Physiology I (21:120:141 or 01:119:127)	BIOL 111 Anatomy and Physiology I
Anatomy & Physiology I (21:120:142 or 01:119:128)	BIOL 112 Anatomy and Physiology II
Microbiology (21:120:235 or 01:119:131 & 132)	BIOL 213 Microbiology
Organic BioChemistry (21:160:108 or 01:160:128) (3 credits no lab)	CHEM 136 Introduction to Inorganic, Organic and Biological Chemistry
Statistics (21:640:211 or 01:960:211)	MATH 131 for Statistics or PSYC 247 Quantitative Methods
Pathophysiology (25:705:245)	HESC 165 Pathophysiology

Registered Nurses can achieve up to 40 credits for the following courses from nursing credits transferred from the basic nursing program at BCC:

Rutgers University School of Nursing	Brookdale Community College Equivalents
NCLEX (34 Credits)	NURS111, NURS112, NURS125, NURS 165 = 5 credits NURS171, NURS172, NURS211, NURS212, NURS271, NURS272= 29 credits
25:520:255 or 11:709:255 Nutrition	HESC 115 – Nutrition and Health: 3 credits
25:705:229 Life Span: A Holistic Approach (Dev Psych)	PYSC 208 Life Span Development