

Articulation Agreement

For the RN to BSN Nursing Program

Between

Middlesex Community College

and

Southern New Hampshire University – College of Online and Continuing Education

I. PURPOSE OF THE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

1. Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) and the Middlesex Community College (MCC), in the spirit of academic cooperation, and in order to facilitate the seamless transfer of ADN nursing graduates Middlesex Community College to SNHU College of Online and Continuing Education (SNHU-COCE), hereby do enter into an academic articulation agreement. Successful implementation of the Agreement is dependent upon communication of its content to all involved participants and the assumption of responsibility by both institutions for such communications.

The purpose of the agreement is to provide an accessible and affordable nursing educational continuum that will enable Middlesex Community College Associate Degree in Nursing program graduates and recent alumni to move seamlessly into a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program with SNHU. Graduates and alumni may transfer a minimum of 60 credits and a maximum of 90 credits from Middlesex Community College to a SNHU Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), provided the criteria outlined in Section II are met.

II. TRANSFER PATHWAY(S)

1. SNHU College of Online and Continuing Education welcomes students who wish to transfer from Middlesex Community College. Students will be considered conditionally admitted to the BSN program until the time they have **both** successfully completed the AAS in Nursing program with a minimum GPA of 2.5 (as shown on the Middlesex Community College transcript) and have passed the national NCLEX-RN licensing exam. Upon successful completion of both of these requirements, students will be offered unconditional admission to the SNHU BSN program. Students who do not achieve a GPA of 2.5 in their AAS in Nursing program and/or do not pass the national NCLEX-RN licensing exam may be conditionally admitted to the SNHU BSN program with Dean approval and will be considered provisional.
2. As SNHU is regionally accredited, all academic course work in which a student has earned a grade of "C" or higher is fully transferable based on the attached course equivalents. Academic course work in which a student has earned a "C-" or better will transfer provided the GPA of transferring coursework is a 2.5 or higher.

3. This Agreement is effective as of the date of the fully executed document, shall be reviewed annually and shall continue until terminated. Both parties must approve amendments to the Agreement in writing. Either party may terminate the Agreement without cause upon 90 days written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may terminate the Agreement immediately in the event that participation under the Agreement may give rise to a violation of any requirement of federal or state law or regulation or the requirements of any accrediting agency having jurisdiction. Both parties agree to teach out the then current Consortium program for students enrolled prior to the date of termination of the Agreement.
4. The official, signed document, stamped "ORIGINAL" is to be filed in the Southern New Hampshire University VPAA office, and signed copies will be distributed to appropriate parties.
5. Admission criteria, academic requirements, and other admission requirements will be subject to the applicable Catalog at the time of the students' admission. Students who have begun their Middlesex Community College program of study or students in the process of enrolling prior to the effective date of any without cause termination will be grandfathered in to continue receiving the discount offered in this Agreement until such time such students complete or discontinue enrollment in their program.
6. This Articulation Agreement is based on the current curriculum of both educational institutions. Each institution is responsible for notifying the other of any substantive changes to the curriculum. This agreement shall be reviewed by both institutions every four years.
7. The parties grant to each other a non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use each other's trademarks and servicemarks in furtherance of the articulation coordination detailed herein or in a manner solely for the purpose of identifying and communicating the existence of the relationship to Middlesex Community College students and alumni. Use of trademarks, servicemarks and logos will comply with use policies of the originating institution. The parties shall discontinue the use of the licensed marks and return any and all files and materials containing the licensed marks supplied by the owner at termination or expiration of the Agreement. Neither party grants to the other any interest in the other party's trademarks. Should either originating institution request, in writing, that a particular use of the originating institution's trademarks and/or servicemarks be discontinued, the non-originating institution shall cease and desist such use of the trademarks and/or servicemarks.
8. Middlesex Community College agrees to regularly communicate information regarding this agreement to students and to host SNHU representatives on campus for recruitment activities during the academic school year. SNHU agrees to collaborate with Middlesex Community College to promote this agreement and provide support services including information for advising and transition services.

9. The parties hereto will have the relationship of independent contractors for all purposes. Each will have complete control over its own performance and the details for accomplishing its own obligations under this Agreement. In no event will the agents, representatives or employees of one party be deemed to be agents, representatives or employees of the other.

10. This Agreement may be executed by a duly authorized representative of each party, either by electronic or facsimile transmission, each of which will be considered an original.

IV. CONTACTS FOR COORDINATION:

All notices and other communications required hereunder by either party to the other shall be in writing, delivered personally, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, or by overnight courier, and shall be deemed to have been duly given when delivered personally or received when using overnight courier or three business days after being deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

General Articulation Communication to Southern New Hampshire University:

Meg Harris, Director, Academic Alliances
Southern New Hampshire University
College of Online and Continuing Education
33 S. Commercial Street
Manchester, NH 01301

Contact:

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Nursing Specific Concerns to Southern New Hampshire University:

Sherrie Palmieri, Executive Director, Nursing & Health Professions
Southern New Hampshire University
College of Online and Continuing Education
33 S. Commercial Street
Manchester, NH 01301

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If to Middlesex Community College:

Sandra Shapiro, MSN, RN, CNE
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or to such other persons or places as either party may from time to time designate by written notice to the other.

APPENDIX 1

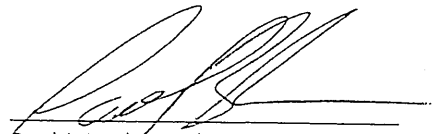
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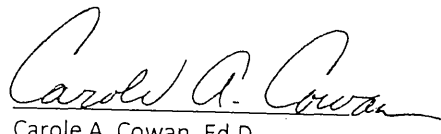
RN-BSN Articulation Degree Plan Table

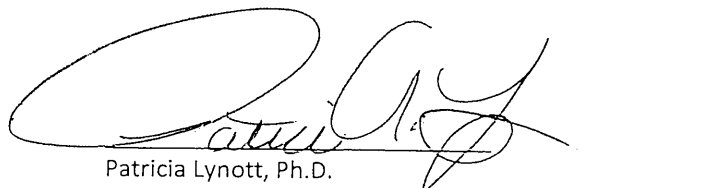
<i>Middlesex Community College Nurse Education Degree</i>	
<i>Courses</i>	<i>Credits</i>
Nursing Courses	39
ENG 101 English Composition I	3
ENG 102 Introduction to Literature (English Composition II)	3
BIO 231 Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 232 Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO 235 Introduction to Microbiology	4
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3
ANT 101 Cultural Anthropology	3
Humanities or Social Science Elective	3
Total MCC Nursing Program Credits Transferred	66
<i>General Elective Requirements at MCC or SNHU</i>	
IHP-340 Statistics for HealthCare Professionals (? or MAT 177 at MCC)	3
PSY-211 Lifespan Development (? or PSY 122 at MCC)	3
IHP-220 Applied Nutrition (? Or BIO 108 at MCC)	3
(1) Math Elective	3
(1) Fine Arts/Humanities Elective	3
(3) Free Electives	9
Total Additional Transfer Credits	24
<i>Required Southern New Hampshire University Courses for RN-BSN</i>	
NUR-310 Nursing Leadership and Management	6
NUR-320 Patient-Centered Assessments	6
NUR-330 Research and Evidence Based Practice	6
NUR-410 Community and Global Health	6
NUR-480 Policy, Law, Ethics and Regulation	6
Total SNHU Credits	30
BSN Total Credits	120

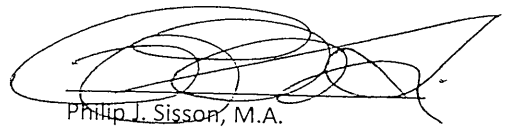
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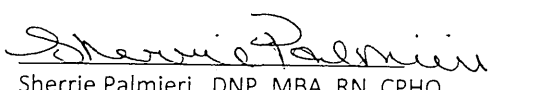
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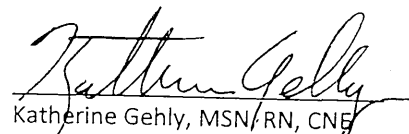

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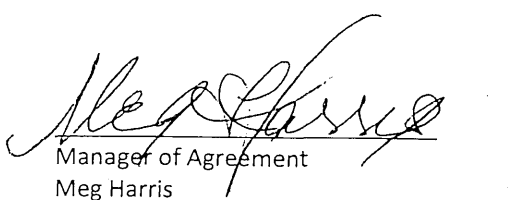

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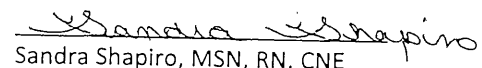

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