

**Transfer Articulation Agreement
Between**

**County College of Morris
And**

**Montclair State University
to permit the**

CCM AAS Degree in Nursing Program

to transfer as credit toward the

MSU BSN Degree Program

The parties are entering into this agreement to facilitate the transfer of course credit and individuals who are graduates from the Department of Nursing at County College of Morris (CCM) with the Associate in Applied Science Degree (AAS) for acceptance into the Bachelor of Science, Nursing (BSN) Degree program offered by the School of Nursing at Montclair State University (MSU). The obligations of each party are identified in this Agreement and Exhibit A which is incorporated by reference.

The Agreement identifies in Exhibit B, all courses which may be transferred from CCM to MSU to attain a BSN. Changes to the courses identified in this Agreement by either institution will require this Agreement to be amended in writing signed by both parties.

The Agreement is in full compliance with laws governing higher education in the State of New Jersey.

The terms of the Agreement apply to those individuals graduating from CCM with an AAS in May 2017 and admitted to MSU's BSN after August 2017.

The parties agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued there under.

The parties shall comply with all provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L. 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq. 1.4

Any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be resolved under New Jersey law, without regard to choice of law principles, and by the Superior Court of New Jersey venued in the State of New Jersey.

MSU and CCM are agencies of the State of New Jersey. Any agreement or arrangement signed or entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey by a State official or employee shall be subject to all of the provisions of the New Jersey Torts Claims Act, NJSA 59:1-1 et seq., the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, NJSA 59:13-1, et seq., and the availability of appropriations. The State of New Jersey does not carry public liability insurance, but the liability of the State and the obligations of the State to be responsible for tort claims against its agencies and employees is covered under the terms and provisions of the New

Jersey Tort Claims Act. The Act also creates a special self-insurance fund and provides for payment and claims against the State of New Jersey against its employees for which the State of New Jersey is obligated to indemnify against tort claims which arise out of the performance of their duties. Claims against the University or its employees should be referred for handling to the Attorney General, Division of Law, Claims Service Section, Richard Hughes Complex, Trenton, New Jersey 08625. Furthermore, the State of New Jersey self-funds for Workers Compensation and Disability.

The parties agree to abide by the limitations on re-disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records set forth in The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

This Agreement may not be amended or modified in any manner except by an instrument in writing signed by the Parties.

The Agreement contains the entire Agreement between the Parties relating to the Program identified herein. In the event the parties have entered into written agreements signed by authorized representatives of the Parties that govern other programs not identified herein, such agreements are not amended or superseded and shall remain in full force and effect. Unless otherwise modified in writing and signed by an authorized representative of the Parties, all terms of this Agreement and other agreements shall remain in full force and effect.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and by facsimile or electronic transmission, each of which, when executed, shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which, together, shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument, valid and binding on all parties.

No payment of monies will be required or exchanged between the Parties in connection with the Agreement. Any individual students enrolled in at MSU under this Agreement shall be personally responsible for tuition and fees due to the MSU in accordance with MSU's applicable policies.

If one party believes the decision of the other was not consistent with this Agreement, the parties shall consult with each other and seek to achieve resolution of the matter. If the parties cannot achieve resolution of the matter, the dispute may be submitted to arbitration for dispute resolution. An arbitration panel comprised of three persons and three alternates. One member and alternate of the Panel shall be former academic officers nominated by MSU; one member and alternate of the Panel shall be former academic officers nominated by CCM; and one member and alternate of the Panel shall be nominated by the Commission on Higher Education. The alternate member shall serve whenever the regular member is unavailable or has a current or prior affiliation with one of the institutions involved in the dispute. The costs of the dispute resolution process shall be borne equally by the parties involved in the appeal.

If MSU rejects a CCM AAS Nursing Degree graduate from admission to MSU's BSN Degree program under this Agreement, the student shall be provided the right to appeal MSU's decision. The student must submit the appeal in writing with an explanation in support of his/her request to be reconsidered for admission, including but not limited to, information in support of their candidacy that was not available or presented previously. The appeal must be submitted by the student to the MSU program director within 30 days of receiving the decision. MSU will provide a decision to the student within 60


days of receipt of the appeal. The decision of MSU will be final. CCM will be informed of the nature of the appeal and the decision by MSU.

The term of this Agreement shall be five (5) years and shall automatically renew annually unless terminated by either party. Either party may terminate this agreement at any time upon 30 days written notice. Students enrolled in the program at the time of termination will have the option to complete their BSN degree at Montclair State University.

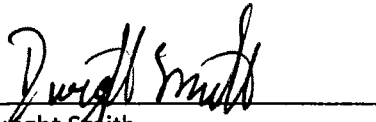
The foregoing terms and conditions are agreed to and accepted by the parties by affixing their signature below. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts and shall be enforceable by facsimile or original signature.

For: County College of Morris

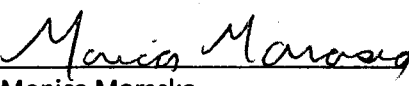
For: Montclair State University


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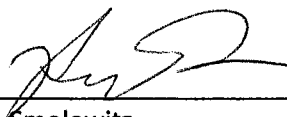
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Willard Gingerich
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs,

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Janice Smolowitz
Dean, School of Nursing

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Exhibit A

The objectives of this articulation agreement:

- To facilitate a CCM nursing students' ability to obtain a BSN degree from MSU while enrolled in the CCM AAS Nursing Degree program.
- To define the admission process for students enrolled in the AAS in nursing degree at CCM who wish to apply to the BSN program at MSU.
- To delineate the transfer of course credit for students enrolled in the AAS in nursing degree at CCM to MSU toward its BSN program.

The parties agree to the following conditions to this agreement:

- The Application Fee is waived by MSU;
- Students enrolled in the CCM AAS Nursing Degree program may apply for entry into the MSU BSN program during their last semester of study prior to graduating from CCM. Students must graduate from CCM with an AAS Nursing Degree before the BSN program at MSU. If accepted for admission by MSU, CCM graduates must successfully pass the NCLEX-RN exam within 6 months of matriculation at MSU to continue in the BSN program;
- A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required. Upon acceptance by MSU, students must maintain the minimum GPA required by MSU's Academic Policies for all other students in the BSN degree program;
- Montclair State University will accept all nursing, general education, and nursing science course credits required to complete the AAS degree, as outlined in Exhibit B and which total 67 credits.
- Transfer credit will not be awarded for courses identified in the attached Exhibit B unless a grade of "C" or higher is earned by the student at CCM.
- Unless otherwise identified in Exhibit B, a course equivalency list will be developed and maintained by CCM and MSU during the Term of the Agreement that reflect each institution's academic policies.
- CCM students transferring to MSU will be eligible for financial aid and the distribution of financial aid funds in accordance with MSU policies and all applicable laws.
- A staff member will be assigned by CCM and MSU to manage this Agreement and facilitate communications to students.
- CCM will provide its students information concerning the program created by this Agreement and courses that are eligible for transfer to MSU in accordance with the Agreement.
- Students accepted for admission to MSU shall be required to complete a sequential set of courses in World Languages as a graduation requirement for the BSN Degree.
- All students accepted for admission by MSU must complete 32 credits at MSU in courses identified by MSU appropriate for the BSN Degree.

Exhibit B: Course Equivalencies

General Education Courses Required by CCM and MSU

County College of Morris		Montclair State University	
<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>
English Composition 1 (ENG111)	3	College Writing I (WRIT 105)	3
English Composition II (ENG112)	3	College Writing II (WRIT 106)	3
*Health & Wellness HED 115	2		2
Credits			8

General Education Course Equivalencies Required by MSU that may be taken at CCM or MSU

County College of Morris		Montclair State University	
<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>
Statistics (MAT 124)	3	Statistics (MATH 109)	3
Speech Fundamentals (COM109)	3	Fundamentals of Speech (CMST101)	3
**Philosophy or Religion course (PHL 111, PHL 115, or PHL 211)	3	**Philosophy or Religion	3
***Cultural Anthropology (SOC 216)	3	***Non-western cultural perspective	3
Total credits			12

World Culture Requirements for MSU that may be taken at CCM or MSU

County College of Morris		Montclair State University	
<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>
Any language 1	3	World language 1	3
Any language 2	3	World language 2	3
***World Cultures (Cultural Anthropology SOC 216)	0	***World Cultures (may be filled by Gen-Ed non-western cultural perspective)	0
Credits			6

Course Equivalencies Required for CCM Nursing Major Evaluated for Transfer

County College of Morris		Montclair State University	
<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>Course (Title)</u>	<u>CR</u>
Introduction to Chemistry (CHM117)	3	Basic Chemistry (CHEM105)	3
Technology	0/1	Computer Science (CSIT 100)	0/1
Introduction to Psychology (PSY113)	3	Introduction to Psychology (PSY101)	3
Anatomy & Physiology 1 (BIO 101)	4	Anatomy & Physiology 1 (BIOL 244)	4
Anatomy & Physiology 2 (BIO 102)	4	Anatomy & Physiology 2 (BIOL 245)	4
Microbiology (BIO 215)	4	Applied Microbiology (BIOL254)	4

Credits		18-19
<u>RN Nursing Courses</u>	<u>CR</u>	All courses accepted from CCM to MSU for RN Theory and Clinical Foundation
Foundations of Nursing (NURS 105)	1	
Fundamentals of Nursing (121)	6	
Basic Med/Surg Nursing (NURS 123)	10	
Maternal Child Nursing (NURS 213)	10	
Advanced Med/Surg (NURS 214)	10	
Nursing Colloquium (NURS 224)	1	
Credits		38
Upper Division Courses in Nursing at MSU		
<u>Upper Division at MSU</u>		<u>CR</u>
Genetics & Genomics for Clinical Nursing (NURS305)		3
Health Assessment Throughout the Lifespan (NURS 310)		4
Scholarly Writing for the Nursing Professional (NURS 320)		3
Nursing Care in the Adult and Aging (NURS330)		3
Information Technology and Project Management (NURS 340)		3
Evidence Based Practice in Nursing (NURS 350)		3
Leadership in Nursing: Theory and Application (NURS 410)		3
Interdisciplinary Communication and Education (NURS 420)		3
Population and Global Health (NURS 430/431)		4
Integration Practicum (NURS 440)		3
Credits		32
Total Credits		

Credit Assignment: Courses Required for Completion of AAS, Nursing at CCM

Course	CR
<u>RN courses</u>	38
<u>Sciences for Nursing</u>	
Introduction to Chemistry (CHM117)	3
Technology	0/1
General Psychology (PSY113)	3
Anatomy & Physiology 1 (BIO 101)	4
Anatomy & Physiology 2 (BIO 102)	4
Microbiology (BIO 215)	4
Credit for Nursing Science Courses	18-19
<u>General Education</u>	
Health & Wellness	2
Social Science or Humanities elective	3
English Composition 1 (ENG111)	3
English Composition II (ENG112)	3
Credits for General Education	11
Total Credits are accepted from the AAS program in Nursing at CCM.	67

Credit Assignment: Courses Required by MSU that may be taken at CCM or MSU (CCM equivalency listed)

County College of Morris		Montclair State University	
<i>Course (Title)</i>	<i>CR</i>	<i>Course (Title)</i>	<i>CR</i>
Statistics (MAT 124)	3	Statistics (MATH 109)	3
Speech Fundamentals (COM 109)	3	Fundamentals of Speech (CMST101)	3
**Philosophy or Religion course (PHL 111, PHL 115, or PHL 211)	3	**Philosophy or Religion	3
***Cultural Anthropology (SOC 216)	3	***Meets non-western cultural perspective and world culture requirement	3
Pathophysiology (BIO 274)	3	Pathophysiology (NURS 220)	3
Developmental Psychology (PSY219)	3	Lifespan (NURS210)	3
Personal and Family Nutrition (HED 115)	3	Nutrition (NUFD182)	3
Total credits			21

Credit Assignment: World Culture Requirements for MSU that may be taken at CCM or MSU

County College of Morris		Montclair State University	
Any language 1	3	World language 1	3
Any language 2	3	World language 2	3
***World Cultures	0	***World Cultures (*Gen Ed Non Western)	0
Credits			6

Montclair State University may accept a total of 67 credits (as identified in Exhibit B) from the AAS program in Nursing at CCM. An additional 27 credits may be transferred, from CCM to MSU upon MSU's review and discretion. A total of no more than 94 credits may be transferred to MSU from CCM toward the MSU BSN Degree. Students may elect to complete some or all of the additional 27 credits at MSU. Thirty-two credits of nursing courses required by MSU to achieve a BSN Degree must be completed at MSU in order for a BSN degree to be conferred by MSU.

* This course is waived for MSU RN to BSN program but elective credit is given for physical education (General Education requirement (j)).

** Philosophy and religion courses offered at CCM that meet the MSU philosophy and religion requirement include PHL 111, PHL 115, and PHL 211.

***Cultural Anthropology (SOC 216) fulfills the MSU non-western cultural perspective general education requirement and the world culture requirement.