PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Agreement with Respect to Applying the
Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Program
Towards the
RN Upward Mobility (RN-BS) Option
Bachelor of Science, major in Nursing

Between
Northwest Iowa Community College
and
South Dakota State University

I. Parties
Parties to this agreement are Northwest Iowa Community College (NCC) and South Dakota State University (SDSU).

II. Purpose
The purpose of this agreement is to:

A. have a signed articulation agreement that addresses the varying needs of students and complimentary nature of the institution’s programs;
B. provide increased educational opportunities for students from South Dakota and the region;
C. extend and clarify educational opportunities for students; and
D. provide NCC graduates of the A.A.S. degree in Nursing an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Nursing.

III. Academic Program
A. Upon successful completion of the major requirements specified in III.B, SDSU will accept 20 technical course credits from the A.A.S. nursing degree. These technical credits will be placed on the student’s transcript as ATIP 292 AAS PROG IN REGISTERED NURSE. Transferable general education and nursing prerequisite credits may be earned at NCC and are in addition to the 20 technical nursing credits. No more than a total of 70 credits may be transferred from NCC to SDSU. Students must meet all South Dakota Board of Regents policies and South Dakota State University graduation requirements to earn a degree.

B. Pre-requisite requirements completed in the NCC A.A.S. nursing curriculum 11 credits
1. BIOL 221/221L Human Anatomy & Lab (4 cr) BIO 165-A/BIO 167-A Human Anatomy and Physiology and Lab (4cr)
2. BIOL 325/325L Physiology & Lab (4 cr) BIO 170-A/BIO 172-A Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab (4 cr)
3. NUTR 315 Human Nutrition (3 cr) BIO 151 Human Nutrition (3 cr)
C. **General Education Requirements (SGRs) 32 credits** (Transferrable general education requirements (16 credits) completed in the NCC A.A.S nursing curriculum are *italicized* and listed next to the SDSU requirement) Transferable general education requirements may be completed at NCC.

1. **SGR Goal #1 Written Communication** 6 credits
   a. ENGL 101 Composition I (3cr) *ENG 105 Composition I (3cr)*
   b. ENGL 201 Composition II (3cr)

2. **SGR Goal #2 Oral Communication** 3 credits
   a. SPCM 101 Fundamentals of Speech (3cr)

3. **SGR Goal #3 Social Sciences** 6 credits
   a. HDFS 210 Lifespan Development (3cr) *PSY 121 Developmental Psychology (3cr)*
   b. SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology (3cr) *SOC 110 Introduction to Sociology (3cr)*

4. **SGR Goal #4 Humanities and Arts/Diversity** 6 credits
   a. 6 credits in 2 disciplines or a sequence of foreign language courses from SDSU approved list. SGR #4 course list available: [https://www.sdstate.edu/academic-catalog](https://www.sdstate.edu/academic-catalog)

5. **SGR Goal #5 Mathematics** 3 credits
   a. MATH 102 College Algebra (3cr) or MATH 103 Quantitative Literacy (3cr) *MATH 121 College Algebra (3cr) or MATH 110 Math for Liberal Arts (3cr)*

6. **SGR Goal #6 Natural Sciences** 8 credits
   a. CHEM 106/106L Chemistry Survey and Lab (4 cr)
   b. MICR 231/231L Microbiology and Lab (4 cr) *BIO 183-A/BIO 184-A Microbiology Lab (4cr)*

D. **Elective Requirements 7 credits**
   SDSU, NCC or other college credits fulfill elective requirement

E. **Additional Requirements to be completed at SDSU 11 credits**
   1. HSC 443 Public Health Science (3 cr)
   2. NURS 119 First Year Seminar (2 cr)
   3. NURS 321 Pharmacology (3 cr)
   4. One three (3) credit general education requirement not included in NCC A.A.S. curriculum

F. **Major Requirements 39 credits**
The *earned courses* are listed below the RN-BS course.

1. NURS 222 Transition to BS (1 cr)
2. NURS 381 Family and Communication (3 cr)  
   i. **NURS 234** earned by validation (2 cr)
   ii. **NURS 334** earned by validation (5 cr)
3. NURS 385 Health Assessment, Clinical Decision-Making and Nursing Interventions (5 cr)  
   i. **NURS 258** earned by validation (3 cr)
   ii. **NURS 358** earned by validation (3 cr)
4. NURS 454 Leadership and Management (3 cr)  
   i. **HSC 452** earned by validation (2 cr)
5. NURS 416 Community Health (5 cr)
   i. NURS 434* earned by validation (4 cr)
6. NURS 474 Nursing Research and Nursing Theory (3 cr)

TOTAL NCC CREDITS 70
TOTAL SDSU CREDITS 50

(The student completes 11 general education or prerequisite credits, completes 20 SDSU nursing credits and earns 19 required SDSU nursing credits by successful completion of validation modules with the RN-BS curriculum)

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 120

Additional Requirements:

1. Students transferring from Northwest Iowa Community College must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5.
2. No course grade below a “C” meets the College of Nursing requirements.
3. Credit for technical course transfer requires that the student has completed A.A.S. Nursing degree.
4. Student must pass national nursing licensure exam (NCLEX) before RN-BS admission.
5. Student must be admitted to South Dakota State University.
6. Student must complete all pre-requisite requirements.
7. Student must be admitted to professional RN Upward Mobility option.
8. Student must have unencumbered license in state of practice.

IV. Obligations

Both parties agree to confer with each other on an annual basis regarding changes in curricula involved in this Articulation Agreement.

V. Modifications

This agreement may be modified from time to time by the South Dakota Board of Regents and Northwest Iowa Community College. Modifications may not diminish the entitlements enjoyed by students who have already attended classes delivered under the terms of earlier versions of this agreement, except in rare instances in which retroactive implementations of modifications may be required to comply with accreditation standards or to conform to professional licensure requirements.

IV. Effective Date of Agreement

Start Date of fall 2018 Terms at Northwest Iowa Community College and South Dakota State University.
VII. Acceptance of Agreement

For South Dakota State University

Roberta K. Olson
Dean of Nursing

Date: 10/18/18

For Northwest Iowa Community College

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Date: 3-2-18