

**Articulation Agreement
between
Fitchburg State University
and
Bristol Community College**

The Articulation Agreement between Fitchburg State University and Bristol Community College will enable students graduating from Bristol Community College to transition into Fitchburg State University. All current Bristol Community College nursing courses will be accepted in lieu of Fitchburg State University courses: NURS 2500, 2600, 2900, 3200, 3300, 3400, 3900. The remaining nursing courses will be taken at Fitchburg State University: NURS 3500, 3600, 3650, 4000, 4400, 4500, 4510 or 4520, 4800 and 4850 totaling 31 nursing credits.

This Agreement is based on current Bristol Community College courses and National League for Nursing Accreditation. If courses are changed significantly or NLN accreditation problems arise, the Nursing Department at Fitchburg State University needs to be notified.

The Program Requirement Chart serves as a worksheet to clarify the relationship between Fitchburg State University requirements, Bristol Community College requirements, and remaining FSU requirements. The last column identifies the remaining required Fitchburg State University courses. The courses are aligned in the Liberal Arts and Science course clusters.

The Bristol Community College graduate entering under the Articulation Agreement needs to be aware of the following:

1. To graduate, all Fitchburg State University students need to earn 121 University credits.
2. Fitchburg State University's credit transfer policy requires that transfer credit for a course is granted only for course grades of 2.0 (or higher).

The Bristol Community College graduate entering under the Articulation Agreement must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a licensed Registered Nurse in good standing.
2. Have graduated from Bristol Community College before matriculating in the Fitchburg State University nursing program.

Finally, Bristol Community College graduates are welcome to enter Fitchburg State University, Department of Nursing, under the Articulation Agreement.

Please contact Professor Linda McKay, chair and R.N. Coordinator, who is available by appointment to speak with any Bristol Community College students/graduates (978-665-3221).

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**Articulation Agreement under the new LA&S Curriculum
between
Fitchburg State University Department of Nursing
and
Bristol Community College Department of Nursing**

Classes taken at BCC	Cr.	Which will transfer in as...	Cr.	Remaining classes to take at FSU	Cr.
Arts Cluster (5 courses; a minimum of 15 credits.) One of these courses must have a Global Diversity non-Western designation.*					
ENG101: Composition I: College Writing	3	ENG1100: Writing I	3	Art or Music elective	3
ENG102: Composition II: Writing about Literature	3	ENG1200: Writing II	3	Literature elective	3
				Elective	3
Credits Transferred		Credits Accepted		Credits Remaining	
6		6		9	
Science, Math & Technology Cluster (4 courses; a minimum of 12 credits.)					
BIO233: Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4	BIOL1200: Anatomy & Physiology I	4	MATH1700: Applied Statistics	3
BIO234: Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIOL1300: Anatomy & Physiology II	4		
BIO239: Elements of Microbiology	4	BIOL2700: Survey of Microorganisms	4		
Credits Transferred		Credits Accepted		Credits Remaining	
12		12		3	
Citizenship Cluster (3 courses; a minimum of 9 credits.) Intro to Sociology meets the Global Diversity designation.*					
PSY101: General Psychology	3	PSY1100: General Psychology	3	SOC1100: Introduction to Sociology (GDC)	3
HST111: The West and the World I or		HIST2991 or HIST2992: Transfer Elective	3		
HST112: The West and the World II	3				
Credits Transferred		Credits Accepted		Credits Remaining	
6		6		3	
Option C Cluster (4 courses; a minimum of 12 credits.)					
PSY252: Child Development	3	PSY2990: Transfer Elective	3	Three courses designated by the Department of Nursing.	9
Credits Transferred		Credits Accepted		Credits Remaining	
3		3		9	
LA&S Free Electives (2 or 3 courses; a minimum of 8 credits.)					
Humanities Elective (ART, ASL, ENG, HUM, MUS, PHL, SPA, THE) and	3	Elective	3	One or two LA&S electives selected to complete the LA&S requirement minimum	1
Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning	3-4	Elective	3-4	of 1 or 2 cr.	or 2
Credits Transferred		Credits Accepted		Credits Remaining	
6		6		1	
or		or		or	
7		7		2	
TOTAL LA&S Credits transferred:		TOTAL LA&S Credits Accepted:		TOTAL LA&S Credits Remaining	
33		33		25	
or		or		or	
34		34		26	

Courses in the Nursing Major:

Classes taken at BCC	Cr.	Which will transfer in as...	Cr.	Remaining classes to take at FSU	Cr.
NUR 101: Fundamentals of Nursing	8	NURS2500/2600: Pathopharmacology	6	NURS3500: Concepts of Nursing I	3
NUR 102: Parent-Child Nursing	8	I & II		NURS3600: Concepts of Nursing II	3
NUR 201: Nursing Care of the Adult I	9	NURS2900: Medical-Surgical Nursing I	5	NURS3650: Portfolio Preparation	1
NUR 202: Nursing Care of the Adult II	9	NURS3200: Mental-Health Nursing	5	NURS4000: Nursing Research	
NUR 203: Trends in Nursing	1	NURS3300: Maternal Newborn Nursing	5	NURS4400: Community Health	2
		NURS3400: Medical-Surgical Nursing II	5	Nursing**	5
FSU will accept 31 of these 35 credits for transfer.		NURS3900: Pediatric Nursing	5	NURS4500: Nursing in a Global Community	2
				NURS4510: End of Life Care	
				or	
				NURS4520: Caring for Forensic Populations	3
				NURS4800: Selected Nursing Practicum**	10
				NURS4850: Leadership & Management Concepts for Nursing Practice	2
TOTAL Nursing Credits Transferred	31	TOTAL Nursing Credits Accepted	31	TOTAL Nursing Credits Remaining	31

* Global Diversity: Two of the courses taken within the three clusters must have a Global Diversity designation. These courses provide a context for understanding the political, economic, cultural, and historical events or experiences of other countries, including those that are non-Western. (Western means Europe – including Russia and North America.) At least one of the two courses must address a non-Western region. GDN = Global Diversity, non-Western; GD = Global Diversity

** Courses so noted permit portfolio assessment for a decrease in clinical hours required to achieve the course credit.

Transfer students from the Massachusetts community college system, Massachusetts state colleges and the University of Massachusetts who have taken the ACCUPLACER exams and received scores of 82 or higher in Math and/or Writeplacer scores of 6 or higher or have taken first level accepted transfer courses will not need to take the ACCUPLACER testing. All other transfer students will need to take the ACCUPLACER testing unless they have transferred in first level courses in English or Calculus I.