

DELAWARE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
& WIDENER UNIVERSITY

GUARANTEED ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - BACCALAUREATE
PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

Delaware County
Community College
and Widener
University

For

Associate of Science - Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Delaware County Community College and Widener University have entered into this agreement to guarantee admission for students in the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing (A.A.S.) program at Delaware County Community College who wish to complete the Accelerated RN to BSN to MSN program at Widener University.

AGREEMENT

WHEREAS Delaware County Community College, and Widener University are committed to expanding educational opportunities for the citizens of the State of Pennsylvania and beyond, and

WHEREAS the two institutions are committed to providing a smooth transition for students wishing to earn a baccalaureate degree, and

WHEREAS the intent of the two institutions is to avoid duplication of curricula where appropriate within articulated programs of studies, and

WHEREAS the two institutions better serve the educational growth of students and the economic development of the regional community through cooperative educational planning and optimal utilization of community resources,

BE IT HEREWITH RESOLVED that this agreement commits the partners to full support of an articulation process between similar academic programs offered by the two institutions.

PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT

1. This program articulation agreement applies to Delaware County Community College (Associate of Science - Nursing) and Widener University (Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Accelerated RN to BSN to MSN Program).
2. The institutions agree to follow the joint program curriculum and course-by-course articulation delineated in this document.
3. Both educational institutions will cooperate toward developing, disseminating, and presenting the articulated program information to students.
4. Graduates of the Delaware County Community College program who have completed the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher and who hold a Pennsylvania or multistate license to practice as a registered nurse will automatically be accepted into the baccalaureate program (Accelerated RN to BSN to MSN) at Widener University. Students in their last semester at Delaware County Community College may apply and be admitted on a provisional status pending final grades and a nursing license.
5. Students are required to have completed an undergraduate statistics course with a C or better or enroll in undergraduate statistics at Widener University.
6. Students intending to transfer should complete the admissions application for Widener University.
7. Students are subject to all the policies and procedures of both institutions.
8. Students are subject to all specific policies pertaining to students admitted to Widener University (Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Accelerated RN to BSN to MSN Program).
9. This articulation agreement is based on the present curricula at both Schools of Nursing as contained in this document.
10. Both institutions at any time may initiate changes to this articulation agreement. Both institutions reserve the right to modify the programs as deemed necessary and agree to inform the appropriate individuals of said changes. The receiving institution will make a good faith effort to honor the articulation agreement in effect at the time a student is admitted to the Associate of Science – Nursing Program.

The parties agree to the following:

1. To seek and identify opportunities for collaborative academic programming in the area of nursing.
2. To share intellectual and human resources in support of collaborative programming.
3. Each party is responsible for the administration of its respective courses, including content, requirements, faculty and student services (to include, but not limited to, admissions, financial aid, registrations, etc.).
4. When enrolled in a Widener University course, the student is subject to all policies and procedures applicable to Widener University students. When enrolled in a Delaware County Community College course, a student is subject to all policies and procedures applicable to Delaware County Community College students. Additional joint policies and procedures may be adopted and implemented at the discretion of both parties.
5. The disclosure of information about individual students is limited by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The parties agree that release of a student's educational records to each other is conditioned upon the submission of a signed agreement authorizing such release.
6. The parties shall publicize any joint offerings in their respective catalogs, Website, and other materials as appropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither party may use the names or marks of the other party without the prior approval of the other party.
7. The parties shall inform students in their respective programs of the complementary program opportunities available at each other's respective institutions, support each other's marketing efforts toward the same, and encourage such students to apply to programs consistent with any individual student's interests.
8. Both parties retain full authority over their respective courses, programs, and requirements. Both parties reserve the right to make changes to their respective courses, programs, and requirements.
9. Each party shall give the other reasonable notice and details of changes to the articulation agreements and other changes in its courses, programs, and requirements. Further, neither party will terminate the agreement at a time that would deter a "student-in-progress" from completing graduation within the originally designated timeframe.
10. Upon termination or expiration of this agreement, the parties shall develop a process that will reasonably allow students admitted to, and enrolled in, joint programming to continue their studies.

Widener University
Accelerated RN to BSN to MSN option

Fall Semester:

NURS 446 – Research Design for the RN (3 credits)
NURS 447 – Evidence Based Practice for the RN (3 credits)
NURS 636 – Dynamics of Family Health Care (3 credits)

Spring Semester:

NURS 443 – Population Health for the RN (6 credits)
NURS 444 – Genetics and Genomics for the RN (3 credits)
NURS 664 – The Healthcare Environment: Technology and Health Policy (3 credits)

Summer Semester:

NURS 440 – Nursing Leadership and Management for the RN (6 credits)
NURS 611 – Introduction to Nursing Science (3 credits)

Credit Equivalencies:

- General Education block credits (from Associates Degree) – 60 credits
- RN Block credit – 33 credits
- Widener University RN to BSN to MSN program – 30 credits

Total credits = 123 credits

APPROVAL

Approval is granted for a five-year period from 2023 through 2028 according to the terms of this agreement by:

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