

# **The Connecticut Community College Nursing Program & St. Vincent's College**

## **Articulation Agreement**

### **I. Introduction**

This agreement is for students enrolled in a Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP) who identify interest in enrolling in the RN-BSN Completion Program at St. Vincent's College. Students participating in this agreement will be guaranteed enrollment in the St. Vincent's College RN-BSN Completion Program upon graduation from the CT-CCNP and licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut, provided that they satisfy conditions specified in this agreement.

Admissions and advising staffs at the sending and receiving institutions will work closely together and with participating students to ensure that appropriate coursework is completed and accepted upon transfer to St. Vincent's College. Students participating in this agreement will enjoy benefits that include:

- A. Early identification of interest in and preparation for advancement into the St. Vincent's College RN-BSN Completion Program;
- B. Consistent, integrated academic advisement and support;
- C. Access to St. Vincent's College student programs and services;
- D. Guaranteed enrollment in the RN-BSN Completion Program at St. Vincent's College pending completion of the A.S. degree, unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut, and having met specified conditions of St. Vincent's College at the time of enrollment; and
- E. Smooth transition from the CT-CCNP to St. Vincent's College.

### **II. Articulation Agreement Guidelines**

- A. Students may apply to the St. Vincent's College RN-BSN Completion Program during any spring semester of their enrollment in the CT-CCNP. Applicants will complete a fee-waived St. Vincent's College application.
- B. Students participating in this agreement will be guaranteed enrollment in the RN-BSN Completion Program at St. Vincent's College upon completion of the Associate Degree, licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut, and satisfaction of the following conditions:
  - a. Proof of current licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut;
  - b. Graduation from the CT-CCNP within three calendar years of beginning the program; and
  - c. Enrollment at St. Vincent's College within two years of completing the CT-CCNP A. S. degree.

- C. Students participating in this agreement will receive **38** Nursing credits in transfer with an earned A.S. degree and a minimum of **33** general education credits that will transfer and apply toward the general education requirements of St. Vincent's College.
- D. Students participating in this agreement will matriculate under degree and residency requirements of the St. Vincent's College catalog that are in effect when they are accepted into the RN-BSN Completion Program at St. Vincent's College. Students participating in this agreement must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours at St. Vincent's College to meet the College's residency requirement.
- E. Upon enrollment at St. Vincent's College, students will be eligible to receive St. Vincent's College student identification cards and associated privileges, including participation in student programs and services, and access to the St. Vincent's College library, network systems, and campus facilities.
- F. Students must submit proof of current unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut prior to enrollment at St. Vincent's College.
- G. Students will no longer be eligible for the benefits described in this agreement if they withdraw or are dismissed from the CT-CCNP, or if they transfer from the CT-CCNP to a college or university other than St. Vincent's College.

### **III. Institutional Commitments**

#### **A. The Responsibilities of the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program are to:**

- 1. Publicize the availability of the agreement;
- 2. Make St. Vincent's College application materials available to students interested in participating in this agreement;
- 3. Counsel and/or advise CT-CCNP students interested in enrolling in the RN-BSN Completion Program at St. Vincent's College.
- 4. Identify prospective students interested in enrolling in the RN-BSN Completion Program and share the information with St. Vincent's College;
- 5. Designate personnel to work with staff at St. Vincent's College to implement an effective communication plan to interested students; and
- 6. Work with St. Vincent's College staff/faculty to coordinate information sessions for prospective students.

#### **B. The Responsibilities of St. Vincent's College are to:**

- 1. Designate the individual to serve as the point of contact for students interested in, and admitted to, the RN-BSN Completion Program at St. Vincent's College;
- 2. Develop a fee-waived application for CT-CCNP students interested in the RN-BSN Completion Program;
- 3. Designate the faculty advisor and other personnel to be the points of contact for the agreement;
- 4. Ensure that the St. Vincent's College RN-BSN Completion program chair provide planned advisement sessions for each of the six participating community colleges; and
- 5. Work with CT-CCNP personnel to coordinate information sessions for prospective students.

**C. The Joint Responsibilities of the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program and St. Vincent's College are to:**

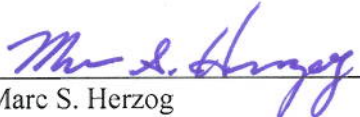
1. Conduct forums/workshops for counselors, admissions representatives, department chairs and other identified staff from both institutions to discuss expectations, review program requirements, develop promotional materials, and discuss curriculum and course equivalencies; and
2. Make available system to system informational/marketing materials for the agreement.


The Connecticut Community College Nursing Program and St. Vincent's College agree that in the performance of this agreement they will not discriminate nor permit discrimination against any person or groups of persons on the basis of race, color, marital status, religion, political beliefs, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, sex, ancestry or age in any manner prohibited by federal or state law and regulations, and further, that they will make their programs available to qualified disabled persons consistent with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto.

**IV. Implementation and Terms of Agreement**

- A. When in conflict, this agreement takes precedence over previous agreements between the Connecticut Community College System and St. Vincent's College.
- B. St. Vincent's College reserves the right to cap enrollment and will provide the CT-CCNP with one year's notice if a cap is needed.
- C. This agreement will take effect for students graduating from the CT-CCNP beginning in spring 2010.
- D. This agreement will be reviewed every three years, and may be amended as needed by mutual agreement between the Community College System and St. Vincent's College.

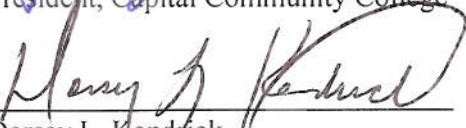
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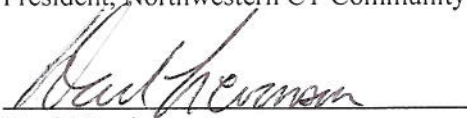
  
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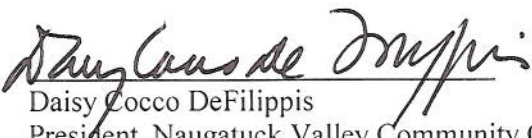
  
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Comparison Chart:

Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP)  
& St. Vincent's College RN-BSN Program

St. Vincent's College			Connecticut Community College Nursing Program					
Course Number	Course Title	CR	Course Number	Course Title	Transfer Credits	Nursing Credits Accepted in Articulation	Credits to Earn	Total Credits
BIO 211	Anatomy & Physiology I	4	BIO*211	Anatomy & Physiology I	4			
BIO 212	Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIO*212	Anatomy & Physiology II	4			
BIO 235	Microbiology	4	BIO*235	Microbiology	4			
BIO 334	Pathophysiology	3					3	
ENG 101	Composition	3	ENG*101	Composition	3			
ENG 212	World Literature	3		ENG*240, 241 or 242			3	
ENG 213	Communication	3		COM*100, 112, 171, 172, 173 or 174			3	
Elective	Humanities	3	ENG*102	Composition & Lit.	3			
Elective	Humanities	3		Humanities Elective	3			
Elective	Non-humanities	3					3	
INF 101	Intro. to Info. Systems	3	CSA*105	Intro. to Software Appl.	3			
MAT 140	College Algebra	3		MAT*172, 173, 175, 186 or 187			3	
MAT 212	Statistics	3	MAT*167	Statistics			3	
PHI 201	Ethics	3	PHL*111	Ethics			3	
PSY 101	General Psychology	3	PSY*111	General Psychology	3			
PSY 212	Lifespan Dev. Psychology	3	PSY*201	Life Span Development	3			
REL 101	World Religions	3	PHL*151	World Religions			3	
SOC 101	Intro. to Sociology	3	SOC*101	Principles of Sociology	3			
SOC 213	Cultural Diversity	3	SOC*220	Social & Ethnic Diversity			3	
SPA 101	Conversational Spanish	3	SPA*101	Elementary Spanish I			3	
NUR	CLN Articulation Agreement	38	NUR*	Nursing Credits Accepted per CLN		38		
NUR 303	Alt. Therapies in Healthcare	2					2	
NUR 310	Nursing Informatics	2					2	
NUR 311	Physical Assessment	3					3	
NUR 312	Foundations in Theory	3					3	
NUR 322	Research	3					3	
NUR 333	Transcultural Nursing	2					2	
NUR 345	Community Nursing	4					4	
NUR 467	Leadership/Management	4					4	
NUR ELEC		3					3	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>127</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>127</b>

Course equivalencies listed on this chart are subject to change without notice.

Courses noted in red can be taken at the CT Community Colleges and can be used to meet a general education requirement at St. Vincent's College. There may be other CT Community College courses that meet the general education requirements at St. Vincent's. Please consult your advisor at St. Vincent's for additional information.

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**Summary of Credits:**

SVC Nursing Credits	26
CLN Transfer Nursing Credits	38
Gen. Education Credits Accepted in Transfer	33
<u>Additional Gen. Education Credits to Earn</u>	<u>30</u>
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>127</b>

**St. Vincent's College Residency Requirement\*** 30

*\*credits for CLEP exams do not count towards the residency requirement.*

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