

The Connecticut Community College Nursing Program & Western Connecticut State University

Dual Admission Agreement

I. Introduction

The Dual Admission Agreement is for students enrolled in a Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP) who identify interest in earning the B. S. degree in Nursing at Western Connecticut State University. Students in the Dual Admission Program will be guaranteed enrollment in the Western Connecticut State University B. S. degree in Nursing 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 Western Connecticut State University. Dual Admission students will enjoy benefits that include:

- A. Early identification of interest in and preparation for advancement into the Western Connecticut State University B.S. degree in Nursing;
- B. Consistent, integrated academic advisement and support;
- C. Access to Western Connecticut State University student activities and campus facilities;
- D. Guaranteed enrollment in the B. S. in Nursing program at Western Connecticut State University pending completion of the A.S. degree, licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut, and specified conditions; and
- E. Smooth transition from the CT-CCNP to Western Connecticut State University.

II. Dual Admission Guidelines

- A. Students may apply for dual admission during any spring semester of their enrollment in the CT-CCNP. Applicants will complete a Western Connecticut State University application that is submitted directly to the Dual Admissions Coordinator for the CT-CCNP at Western Connecticut State University.
- B. Dual Admission students will be guaranteed enrollment as matriculated students in the B. S. in Nursing Program at Western Connecticut State University 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 in Western Connecticut State University within two years of completing the CT-CCNP A. S. degree.
- C. Dual Admission students will receive **32** Nursing credits in transfer with an earned A.S. degree and a minimum of **30** general education credits that apply in transfer toward Western Connecticut State University general education requirements.

- D. Dual Admission students will matriculate under degree and residency requirements of the Western Connecticut State University catalog that is in effect when they are accepted into the Dual Admission Program.
- E. Upon acceptance into the Dual Admission Program, students will be eligible to receive Western Connecticut State University student identification cards and associated privileges, including participation in student activities and college events and access to the Western Connecticut State University library, network center, and campus facilities.
- F. Dual Admission students must submit proof of current licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut prior to enrolling in Western Connecticut State University.
- G. Students will lose Dual Admission status 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 Western Connecticut State University.

III. Institutional Commitments

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

- 1. Publicize the availability of the Dual Admission Program;
- 2. Make Western Connecticut State University application materials available to students interested in the Dual Admission Program;
- 3. Counsel and/or advise CT-CCNP students interested in attending the B.S. in nursing degree at Western Connecticut State University. Identify prospective students interested in enrolling in the Dual Admission Program and share the information with Western Connecticut State University
- 4. Designate personnel to work with staff at Western Connecticut State University to implement an effective communication plan to Dual Admission students; and
- 5. Work with WCSU faculty to coordinate information sessions for prospective Dual Admissions Students.

B. The Responsibilities of Western Connecticut State University are to:

- 1. Designate the Admissions Officer or Transfer and Articulation Officer that will serve as the point of contact for students interested in, and admitted to, the Dual Admission Program;
- 2. Develop a fee-waived application for the Dual Admission Program;
- 3. Designate the faculty advisor and other personnel to be the points of contact for the Dual Admission Program;
- 4. Ensure that the Western Connecticut State University faculty advisor and staff provide planned advisement sessions at each of the five participating community colleges;
- 5. Work with CT-CCNP personnel to coordinate information sessions for prospective Dual Admission students; and
- 6. Provide the opportunity for students registered for eleven or more credits at the Community Colleges to take one free three credit course at Western Connecticut State University.

C. The Joint Responsibilities of the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program and Western Connecticut State University are to:

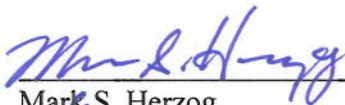
1. Conduct forums/workshops for counselors, admissions representatives, department chairs and other identified staff from both institutions to discuss expectations, review program requirements, develop promotional materials, and discuss curriculum and course equivalencies; and
2. Make available system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

The Connecticut Community College Nursing Program and Western Connecticut State University agree that in the performance of this Dual Admission Program 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, criminal record, 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.

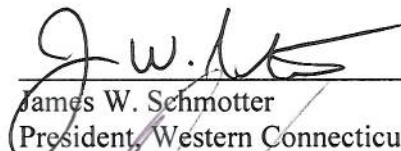
IV. Implementation and Terms of Agreement

- A. When in conflict, this Dual Admission Agreement takes precedence over previous articulation agreements between the Connecticut Community College System and Western Connecticut State University.
- B. This agreement will take effect for students graduating from the CT-CCNP beginning in spring 2010.
- C. This agreement may be amended as needed by mutual agreement between the Community College System and Western Connecticut State University.

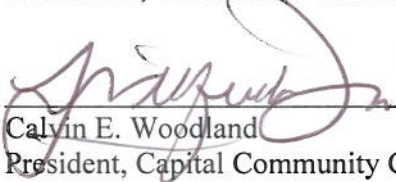
Signed this 29 day of June, 2010.



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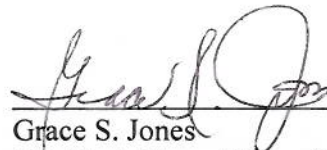
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Addendum

The Dual Admission Agreement is for students enrolled in a Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP) who identify interest in earning the B. S. degree in Nursing at Western Connecticut State University.

As of June 2, 2010, Northwestern Connecticut Community College (NCCC) became the sixth college in the system to offer the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP). This agreement will now include graduates from the nursing program at NCCC, which will graduate its first class in May 2012.

Signed this 1st day of July, 2010.



Barbara Douglass
President, Northwestern Connecticut Community College

Comparison Chart:

**Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP)
& Western Connecticut State University RN-BSN Program**

Western Connecticut State University			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
COM 160, 161 or 162	Communications Course	3		COM*100, 172 or 178			3	
	Humanities Course	3	ENG*102	English Comp. & Lit	3			
	Humanities Course	3		Humanities Elective	3			
	Humanities Course	3		COM*101, DAN*101, HIS*101, MUS*101, PHL*101, THR*101, etc.			3	
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PSY 100	Intro. to Psychology	3	PSY*111	General Psychology	3			
SOC 100	Intro. to Sociology	3	SOC*101	Principles of Sociology	3			
	Social Science Elective	3	PSY*201	Life Span Development	3			
	Social Science Elective	3		ANT*101, ENG*241 or any course from the following: ECN, GEO, POL, PSY or SOC.			3	
MAT 115 or 120	Intro. to Bio Statistics <u>OR</u> Elementary Statistics	3		MAT*167			3	
Lab Science		4	CHE*111	Concepts of Chemistry	4			
	Natural Science or Math Elective	4	BIO*105, BIO*115, BIO*121	General Biology	4			
BIO 105	Anatomy & Physiology I	4	BIO*211	Anatomy & Physiology I	4			
BIO 106	Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIO*212	Anatomy & Physiology II	4			
BIO 215	Microbiology	4	BIO*235	Microbiology	4			
HPX 177	Fitness for Life	2					2	
HPX 205	Nutrition & Health	2		May submit NLN Nutrition Exam Score			2	
	Elective	3	ENG*101	English Composition	3			
	Elective	3	CSA*105	Intro. to Software Applications	3			
	Elective	3	MAT*137	Intermediate Algebra	3			
	CLN Articulation Credits	28	NUR*	Nursing Credits Accepted per CLN		28		
Elective		4	NUR*	Additional NUR* Credits		4		
NUR 220	Transitional to Professional Nursing Practice	2					2	
NUR 221	Physical Assessment Across the Life Span	3					3	
NUR 230	Prin. of Community Health	3					3	
NUR 330	Nursing in the Community	4					4	
NUR 332	Pharmacotherapies Across the Lifespan	3					3	
NUR 336	Human Health Experience	4					4	
NUR 361	Research Process in Nursing	2					2	
NUR 374	Leadership & Management	2					2	
NUR 375	Nursing Practicum	5					5	
Total Cr.		126	Total Cr.		44	32	50	126

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 WestConn. There may be other CT Community College courses that meet the general education requirements at Fairfield. Please consult your advisor at WestConn for additional information.

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Summary of Credits:

WestConn Nursing Credits	28
CLN Transfer Nursing Credits (includes 4 elective credits)	32
Gen. Education Credits Accepted in Transfer	44
<u>Additional Gen. Education Credits to Earn</u>	<u>22</u>
Total Credits	126

WestConn Residency Requirement **30**

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