



Pathways Transfer Program Agreement in Nursing (RN to BSN)

Including Optional Upper-division Courses Offered for
Clinton Community College Students

Empire State College (ESC) and Clinton Community College (CCC), both of the State University of New York, agree to enter into Pathways Transfer Program Agreement in Nursing. The agreement is designed to support transfer students during their transition to ESC, and intends to:

- Ensure a smooth transfer for CCC graduates to ESC;
- Ease the transition process for graduates changing from classroom-based learning to an educational model comprised significantly of online coursework;
- Provide an affordable and convenient baccalaureate degree option for CCC graduates who want to remain close to their homes and/or community;
- Provide clear guidelines for CCC graduates to follow during the transition.

ESC will offer nursing graduates and senior nursing students from CCC an opportunity to participate in the Nursing Pathways Program into the bachelor's of science in nursing (BSN) degree program. Clinton CC graduates will be able to transfer all 63 credits earned as part of their associate degree in nursing to ESC upon enrollment.

Admissions Requirements

- Completed degree in Nursing (A.A.S. or A.S.)
- Possession of an active, unencumbered New York State Nursing license (RN)
- Completed ESC admissions application (including essay)

With advisement, students in the Nursing Pathways Program may elect to register for up to 16 additional credits at CCC. These lower-division credits will be applied toward the baccalaureate degree program. The minimum number of credits to be taken at ESC will be at least 45 upper-level credits, which would include 41 credits in nursing. Up to 79 total lower-division credits could be included from CCC towards the 124 credit bachelor's degree at ESC.

A benefit for CCC is the potential to receive additional tuition revenue for up to 16 credits for each Nursing Pathways Program student.

As part of the agreement, ESC will provide the following: (1) outreach to faculty and transfer office staff at CCC to provide program information, (2) include this agreement in college publications and webpages, and (3) offer information sessions for students on the CCC campus, at ESC locations, and online.

Further, Empire State College will provide the following benefits for participating Clinton CC students:

- \$50 orientation fee waiver
- \$100 transfer scholarship in the first term of matriculated enrollment at Empire State College

A unique code for interested students to use during the admissions application process will be created by ESC and provided to appropriate staff members in the nursing program and the transfer counseling office at CCC.

Clinton CC agrees to provide: (1) access for partnership students to campus facilities and resources (i.e. Library, academic support, computer labs), (2) promotion of the program on campus to current students and faculty advisors, as well as alumni, and licensed RNs in the community and (3) to include this transfer agreement in any college publications where such agreements are listed (i.e. college catalog, website, transfer office brochures).

Nursing students may enroll at Empire State College on a full or part-time basis.

Upper-division Nursing Courses Offered for Clinton CC Students

Empire State College may offer up to two upper-division courses for students at CCC. This option is designed to serve two different groups of students: (1) current CCC students who are in the final term of their pre-licensure program, or recent graduates who have yet to become licensed RNs, and (2) graduates of associate degree nursing programs who are licensed RNs and want to begin working towards a bachelor's of science in nursing degree.

- Pre-licensed Nursing Students -

CCC students who have not yet earned their RN license may take these upper-division courses as non-matriculated (non-degree) students with ESC.

Interested students should go through the non-degree application process found at www.esc.edu/nursing.

- Licensed Registered Nurses (RN)

Licensed associate degree nurses may enroll directly into ESC as a full or part-time student. For more information or to apply, please go to www.esc.edu/nursing.

Please note that non-matriculated students are not eligible for financial aid. Students who are accepted to Empire State College as a degree-seeking, matriculated student will be eligible for financial aid.

Students who wish to apply or have application or registration questions should contact:

Clinton Community College
Chrisa O'Connell
Student Support Services
Transfer Advisement
Stafford Bldg, Room 311
Chrisa.O'Connell@clinton.edu
(518) 562-4199

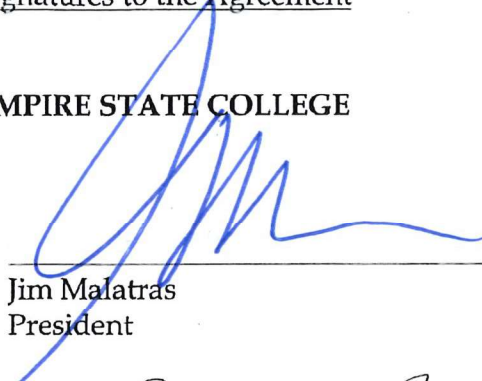
SUNY Empire State College
Nursing.Program@esc.edu

This Agreement becomes effective when all signatures are affixed (date of last signature).

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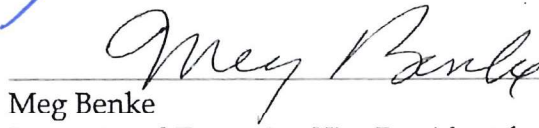
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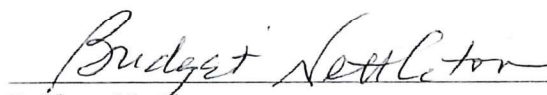
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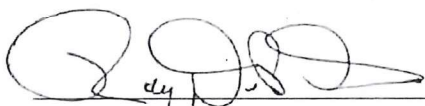
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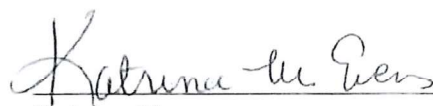
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Director of Nursing and Allied Health

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**Appendix A:
Sample Degree Plan
RN to BSN**

Clinton CC – A.A.S. Nursing

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| NUR 103 Fundamentals of Nursing | 7 |
| NUR 104 Medical surgical Nursing I | 5 |
| NUR 105 Maternal/Child Nursing | 4 |
| NUR 201 Medical Surgical Nursing II | 5 |
| NUR 202 Mental Health Nursing | 4 |
| NUR 203 Medical Surgical Nursing III | 10 |
| NUR 204 Pharmacology for Nurses | 3 |

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| ENG 101 English Composition | 3 |
| PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology | 3 |
| PSY 230 Human Development | 3 |
| SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology | 3 |
| BIO 228 Anatomy & Physiology I | 4 |
| BIO 229 Anatomy & Physiology II | 4 |
| BIO 204 Microbiology | 4 |
| SPA 110 Spanish for Health Care or HPE Activity elective | 1 |

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| Total Credit | 63 |
| Potential additional lower-division credits at Clinton¹ | 16 |
| Total lower-division credits | 79 |

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| Upper-division ESC course for CCC: NURS 3010 Health Assessment | 4 |
| Upper-division ESC course for CCC: NURS 3015 Pharmacology | 4 |

SUNY Empire State College – B.S. Nursing (BSN)

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| NURS 3005 Educational Planning: Transition to Baccalaureate Nursing | 4 |
| NURS 3020 Nursing Informatics | 4 |
| NURS 3025 Nursing Research | 4 |
| NURS 4005 Health Care Delivery Systems and Policy | 4 |
| NURS 4010 Professional Issues and Leadership in Contemporary Nursing | 4 |
| NURS 4015 Community Nursing | 4 |
| NURS 4020 Baccalaureate Nursing Capstone | 5 |
| Nursing elective | 4 |

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| Liberal Arts elective | 4 |
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| Total Empire State College Credit | 45 |
| Degree Program Total | 124 |

¹ Any of these 16 credits not completed at Clinton Community College will be completed at Empire State College. Students should seek advisement from an ESC advisor in advance of selecting which courses to take to ensure they will fit into the baccalaureate degree plan.

Appendix B: Empire State College Policies and Procedures for Transfer

1. Students successfully completing degree requirements for an A.A., A.S., or A.A.S. and transferring in the entire associate degree will be able to transfer to ESC all credit earned for the associate degree, including "D" grades that are part of the completed degree. If the entire associate degree is not used toward the ESC degree program, "D" grades are not transferable.
2. The maximum advanced standing (lower and upper-division credits; prior learning assessment credits) allowed toward a bachelor's degree in nursing is 79 credits, which means that students must complete at least 45 upper-level credits in residence at ESC.
3. Any courses taken at Clinton CC beyond the associate degree will be evaluated for transfer separately from the associate degree based on ESC's advance standing policies.
4. There is no statute of limitations regarding the age of acceptable learning substantiated by transcript except in some areas, technologies and science for instance, where that learning may be outmoded and may not be accepted if it is crucial to the structure of a degree program concentration.
5. Students earning a bachelor's degree from ESC must fulfill all graduation requirements, which include completing 45 advanced-level credits of which at least 24 are in the concentration. SUNY also requires the completion of 30 general education credits across 7 of 10 designated areas, including mathematics and basic communication.
6. All students need to complete the application process and meet all admissions criteria before being accepted to ESC. Degree seeking students must submit the ESC Application for Admission form along with an official transcript(s) of their completed course work to the Office of Admissions, Empire State College, 2 Union Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. These forms can be found at www.esc.edu/admissions.

Active duty, guard and reserve service members, veterans, and their family members should contact the Office of Veteran and Military Education for assistance at military.programs@esc.edu or 518-587-2100 ext. 2779.

7. Both colleges acknowledge the confidential nature of student information that may be exchanged between them. As such, both colleges agree that this information must be kept secure, confidential, and only disclosed for academic reasons. Student information will not be shared with third parties, and all FERPA regulations will be adhered to.