



Partnership Agreement in Nursing (RN to BSN)

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

Empire State College (ESC) and Jamestown Community College (JCC), both of the State University of New York, agree to a Partnership Agreement in Nursing. The agreement is designed to support transfer students during their transition to ESC, and intends to:

- Ensure a smooth transfer for Jamestown Community College 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 Jamestown Community College graduates who want to remain close to their homes and/or community;
- Provide clear guidelines for Jamestown Community College graduates to follow during the transition.

ESC will offer nursing graduates and senior nursing students from Jamestown Community College an opportunity to participate in the Nursing Partnership Program into the bachelor's of science in nursing (BSN) degree program. Jamestown Community College graduates will be able to transfer all 64 credits earned as part of their associate degree in nursing to ESC upon enrollment.

Admissions Requirements

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

With advisement, students in the Nursing Partnership Program may elect to register for up to 15 additional credits at Jamestown Community College. 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 Jamestown Community College towards the 124 credit bachelor's degree at ESC.

A benefit for Jamestown Community College is the potential to receive additional tuition revenue for up to 15 credits for each Nursing Partnership Program student.

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

Further, Empire State College will provide the following benefits for participating Jamestown Community College students:

- Waiver of the \$50 orientation and application fee
- Provision of a \$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 Empire State College and provided to appropriate staff members in the nursing program and the transfer counseling office at Jamestown Community College.

Jamestown Community College 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.

<u>Upper-division Nursing Courses Offered at Jamestown Community College</u>

Empire State College may offer up to two upper-division courses for students at JCC. This option is designed to serve two different groups of students: (1) current Jamestown Community College students who are in their senior level 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 -

JCC students who have not yet earned their RN license may take these upperdivision courses as non-matriculated (non-degree) students with ESC. Students who wish to apply or have application or registration questions should contact:

Jamestown Community College Dr. Kathy Taydus Director of Nursing Education (716) 338-1177 Kathy Taydus@mail.sunyjcc.edu Empire State College Nursing.Program@esc.edu

Please note that non-matriculated students are not eligible for financial aid.

• Licensed Registered Nurses (RN)

Licensed associate degree nurses have two options for how they can take ESC courses at Jamestown Community College's campus. One option is to enroll as a non-matriculated (non-degree) ESC student to see if the bachelor's degree program is right for them. Credits completed will be counted as fulfilling core requirements towards the bachelor's of science in nursing program upon enrollment at ESC.

The second option is to 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.

This agreement will be valid through 12/31/2021

Signatures to the Agreement

Mitch Nesler Officer in Charge David Bejou Mag Roche Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Bridget Nettleton Dean, School of Nursing and Allied Health

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Daniel DeMarte President	10/23/45/8 Date
Marilya Zagora Vice President of Academic Affairs	10/3/18 Date
Kathy Tayous Director of Nursing Education	9-21-18 Date

Appendix A: Sample Degree Plan RN to BSN

Jamestown Community College - A.A.S. Nursing

NUR 1510 Foundations of Nursing	7
NUR 1520 Health Restoration	8
NUR 2510 Health Restoration and	8
Maintenance I	.0
NUR 2520 Health Restoration and	8
Maintenance II	.°
NUR 2550 Pathophysiology I	1.5
NUR 2560 Pathophysiology II	1.5
NUR 2350 Pharmacology for Nurses I	1.5
NUR 2360 Pharmacology for Nurses II	1.5
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BIO 2510 Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 2520 Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIO 2531 Microbiology	3
BIO 2532 Microbiology Lab	1
ENG 1530 English Composition	3
English electives (college level)	3
MAT 1540 Elementary Statistics	3
PSY 1510 General Psychology	- 3
PSY 2510 Life Span Development	3

Total Jamestown CC Credit 64

Potential additional lower-division credits at Jamestown CC¹

Total lower-division credits 79

15

Upper-division ESC courses at JCC: Health Assessment (4); Pharmacology (4)

SUNY Empire State College - B.S. in Nursing (BSN)

Educational Planning: Transition to	Δ
Baccalaureate Nursing	1
Nursing Informatics	4
Nursing Research	4
Health Care Delivery Systems and Policy	4
Professional Issues and Leadership in	4
Contemporary Nursing	
Community Health Nursing	4
Advanced Clinical Experience	5
Nursing elective	4

General Education 4
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Total Empire State College Credit
Degree Program Total

45
124

¹ Any of these 15 credits not completed at Jamestown 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 Jamestown Community College 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.