

# Articulation Agreement

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Completion Program at Regis College

Between

Regis College  
235 Wellesley Street  
Weston, MA 02493

And

Northern Essex Community College  
45 Franklin Street  
Lawrence, MA 01840

### Associate in Science in Nursing

Fall 2016

This Articulation Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between Regis College ("Regis") and Northern Essex Community College ("NECC"). Regis and NECC hereby agree as follows:

#### I. Transfer Admissions to Regis

- A. This Agreement establishes standards for admissions for NECC students who are seeking to transfer into the Regis Bachelor of Science in Nursing's degree completion program to be provided in the city of Lawrence, MA ("Regis North").
- B. Regis will admit NECC students who have:
  - 1. Earned a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.7 (on a 4.0 scale) at NECC, and;
  - 11. Successfully completed all requirements for an Associate's Degree in Nursing from NECC.
  - 111. Students must have passed or must be planning to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for nurses (NCLEX-RN).

#### II. Transfer Credit

- A. Regis will award transfer credit to students for college-level courses successfully completed at NECC towards an Associate's Degree.
- B. Regis will not award transfer credit for non-credit or remedial courses. Regis has sole discretion in determining which courses/credits will not transfer in this manner.
- C. Exhibits A, attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference, provides a listing of courses students are expected to have taken at NECC to earn their Associate's Degree and the courses students must take at Regis to earn their Bachelor's Degrees in Nursing.

### III. Academic Quality

It is agreed and understood that each party has the right and responsibility to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards in order to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes, if any, will be communicated in writing between the parties as they occur. NECC and Regis will work together in good faith to resolve any doubts or concerns regarding academic quality pursuant to this Agreement.

### IV. Term and Termination

- A. This Agreement becomes effective as of the date of the signatures of both parties and is valid for ten (10) years from that date. This Agreement may be amended by written mutual agreement and may be terminated by either party with six (6) months' written notice to the other party.
- B. Either party, with a minimum of six (6) months written notice, may terminate this Agreement. At the time of termination, where an NECC student has been admitted to Regis or where NECC has notified Regis of a student's intent to transfer, the parties will continue to honor their commitments to such student pursuant to this Agreement.

### V. Non-Discrimination

Both NECC and Regis subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity and will not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, religion, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation or physical disability. Regis and NECC shall abide by these principles in the administration of this Agreement, and neither party shall impose criteria for participation in this arrangement which would violate the principles of non-discrimination.

### VI. Notices

All notices sent pursuant to this Agreement shall be sent via regular and/or electronic mail to the following, unless the parties specify otherwise in writing:

For Regis College

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## VII. Marketing and Intellectual Property

Any marketing materials or publications whether print or electronic, or other efforts used by either party pursuant to this Agreement to promote the system of guaranteed admissions must have the prior written approval from the other party before distribution or use. Neither party may use the other party's name, trademarks, or logos without prior written consent. The parties acknowledge that the respective intellectual property rights and interests of each party shall remain the exclusive property of each party.

## VIII. Indemnification

To the extent allowed by law, each party hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party from and against any and all losses, damages, liabilities and other expenses of every kind and nature, including reasonable attorney's fees, sustained by or incurred by the indemnified party as a result of any debts, actions, causes of action, claims, suits, liabilities, obligations or damages whatsoever arising out of the indemnifying party's actions pursuant to this Agreement.


## IX. Miscellaneous


- A. No Agency Relationship: Nothing in this Agreement is intended to or shall be construed to constitute or establish an agency, employer/employee, franchise, joint venture or fiduciary relationship between the parties. Neither party shall have the right or authority or shall hold itself out to have the right or authority to bind the other party, nor shall either party be responsible for the acts or omissions of the other except as provided specifically to the contrary herein.
- B. Entire Agreement and Amendment: This Agreement supersedes all previous contracts or agreements between the parties and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be amended only in writing and executed by both parties.
- C. This is a stand-alone agreement.
- D. Severability: The invalidity of any provision of this Agreement will not affect the validity of any other provision or any other agreement, including the Memorandum of Understanding between Regis and NECC.
- E. Assignment: This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other party.
- F. Captions: Captions in this Agreement are for convenience only.
- G. Governing Law: This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts without regard to its conflict of laws principles.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties has caused its duly appointed representatives to execute this Agreement on its behalf.

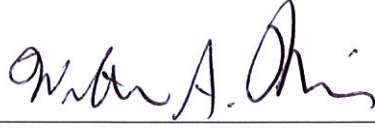
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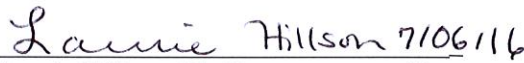
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## Exhibit A: Curriculum Guide Bachelor of Science in Nursing

In order to graduate from Regis College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing, students must have a minimum of 120 credits. The specific requirements for general education and the major are:

Year 1 at NECC			Completed
	Course Name	Credits	
ENG 101	English Composition I	3	
ENG102	English Composition II	3	
BIO 121	A & P I	4	
BI 122	A & P II	4	
PSY 101	Intro to Psychology	3	
PSY 110	Lifespan Psychology	3	
Year 2 at NECC			
		Credits	
SOC 101	Intro to Sociology	3	
BIO 220	Microbiology	4	
Nursing Transfer Block	Nursing Transfer Block	40	NECC
CHW 101	Intro to Public Health	3	
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>70</b>	
Courses to be taken at NECC, Regis Online, or elsewhere			
	Statistics	3 or 4	
	Philosophy	3	
	Ethics	3	
	History or Literature	3	
	Expressive Arts	3	
	Elective	2-3	
	Elective	3	
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>20-22</b>	
Regis @ NECC Years 3 and 4			
Nursing Requirements	Course Name	Credits	Completed
NU 304	Health Assessment	3	
NU 321	Nursing Care of the Aging Adult	3	
NU or 300 level	Health Informatics	3	
NU 403	Evidence for Clinical Practice	3	
NU 404	Concepts/Issues in Professional Practice	3	
NU 510	Community Based Nursing	6	
Public Health Requirements			
Choose two			
PBH 203	Intro to Epidemiology	3	
PBH 206	Intro to Global Health	3	
PBH 303	Public Health Policy and Advocacy	3	
PBH 307	Health and Society	3	
Regis Core Requirement			
RS 309 (offered online)	Religious Hope and the Future	3	

NECC Required Credits	70
Regis Required Credits	30
Additional Required – from any accredited institution	20-22
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>120-122</b>

Non-Regis credits left: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Regis credits left: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total: \_\_\_\_\_