

**Articulation Agreement
Between**



**AND
CONCORDIA
COLLEGE**

**Associate in Science in Nursing, Registered Nursing
TO
Bachelor of Arts Degree with a major in Nursing**

INTRODUCTION

This Articulation Agreement formally recognizes that North Dakota State College of Science and Concordia College in Moorhead, MN, are active educational partners, committed to providing greater educational opportunities and services for students transferring between institutions. This commitment strongly supports the concept of seamless transfer that embraces the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already achieved.

Concordia College and NDSCS enter into this agreement in the spirit of cooperation and mutually recognize each other as quality institutions of higher learning. Each institution, furthermore, is dedicated to serving students from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, national origin or other non-merit factors.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is to provide a smooth transition for transferring from one related degree program to another. It is further recognized that the attached agreement describes how courses will transfer from NDSCS to Concordia College. This agreement identifies equivalent courses for: NDSCS Associate in Science in Nursing to a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Nursing.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CREDIT TRANSFER

NDSCS transfer students will be held to the same standards and criteria for admission as are other Concordia College transfer students. All students will meet specific requirements as listed in their entry catalog. Program specific requirements and /or required courses are listed for the catalog year entered under and defined in Appendix A of this agreement.

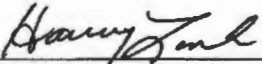
ARTICULATION IMPLEMENTATION AND AGREEMENT REVIEW

The Chief Academic Officer or designee of each collaborating institution shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

Both NDSCS and Concordia College are responsible for notifying the other institution of substantial curriculum changes to ensure the continuation of this agreement. This agreement is based on the 2015-2016 academic catalog and becomes effective Fall 2015. Applications will be considered beginning Fall 2014. This agreement will remain in effect for 5 years or until re-evaluated, terminated or amended by either party with prior written notice.

NDSCS

Concordia College




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Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs

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Dean of the College
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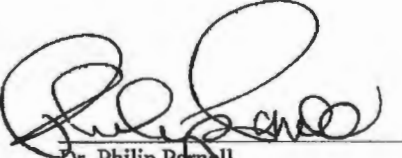
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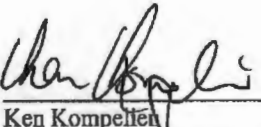
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APPENDIX A

Transfer Articulation Agreement between
NDSCS Associate of Science in Nursing, Registered Nursing
to
Concordia College Bachelor of Arts with a major in Nursing

The nursing program at Concordia College is nationally accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and maintains approval through the North Dakota and Minnesota Boards of Nursing.

This agreement includes specific program and admission requirements and indicates which courses can be used to meet core, major, and other graduation requirements. Concordia transfer policies state: grades of C- or above will transfer; all courses equivalent to courses offered at Concordia will transfer; courses that Concordia does not offer will transfer as elective credit.

Concordia College Nursing program admission requirements:

(See 2013-2014 catalog for complete listing) Policies specific to students accepted into the nursing major are published in the Baccalaureate Nursing Program Student Handbook. The handbook is provided to students in the first semester of the major. Because state regulations require a specific student-faculty ratio in the clinical practicum, enrollment in the professional nursing program is limited and based on available resources and clinical placement availability. Admission is competitive and based on all of the following:

1. GPA (minimum cumulative GPA of >2.5 through the semester of application on all post high school coursework)
2. Completion of the prerequisite courses with a passing letter grade of C- or higher
3. Eligibility for junior standing
4. Submission of the completed application materials by set deadline
5. Submission of official transcripts
6. Proof of RN licensure submitted by July 15th of program start year

Institutional and graduation requirements:

(See 2013-2014 catalog for complete listing)

General

1. Minimum of 126 semester credits (excluding music ensembles)
2. Minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.0 in Concordia courses and in all courses combined
3. Senior year in residence requirement met. Students must earn at least 28 semester credits on campus and must spend the last two semesters preceding graduation as a full-time student at Concordia
4. 40 semester credits with senior college credit (courses numbered 300 and above)

Major

1. Completion of all requirements for the Nursing major, as outlined in the academic catalog
2. Progression in the major also requires that all nursing courses are completed with a passing letter grade of C- or higher.

Liberal Arts Core curriculum

1. Completion of the requirements for the Liberal Arts Core Curriculum.

Concordia College Core Curriculum:

Students complete 47 credits of nursing coursework in accordance with NDSCS guidelines, and may have met Concordia CORE requirements and Nursing Prerequisites, as listed below.

| Concordia College CORE Pre-requisite curriculum | What may have been taken at NDSCS | To be taken at Concordia |
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| 1. Critical Inquiry Seminar: (One Course) In-depth courses that emphasize the process of critical inquiry and student academic success. | Exempt | Exempt |
| 2. Written Communication: (One Course) | ENGL 110 AND 120 (both needed) | |
| 3. Oral Communication: (One Course) | | One IOC course to be taken at Concordia |
| 4. Religion I & II (Two Courses) | | Both Religion courses to be taken at Concordia. |
| 5. Holistic Health (One semester hour) | | One Wellness course to be taken at Concordia. |
| 6. Health Activity: (One semester hour) | | One Physical Activity to be taken at Concordia. |
| EXPLORATION COURSES - 1 of the Exploration courses must be taken at or above the 300-level | | NURS 305 to be taken at Concordia. |
| I: Natural Science (One course) | | CHEM 142 to be taken at Concordia. |
| II. Mathematics (One course) | MATH 104 Finite Math MATH 107 Pre-calculus MATH 165 Calculus I MATH 166 Calculus II | |
| II: Social Sciences (Two courses) Must be from 2 different departments. | SOC 110 Intro to Sociology PSYC 250 Developmental Psych | |
| IV: Arts (One course) | | One ARTS course to be taken at Concordia. |
| V. Humanities (One course) | PHIL 210 Ethics | |
| IV: World Languages - Must pass at second semester level. | | Language course(s) to be taken at Concordia. |
| PERSPECTIVE COURSES | | |
| U.S. Culture Diversity | N246 Maternal-Child Nursing AND N261 Maternal/Newborn Nursing (both needed to fulfill NURS 352) | |
| International & Global Perspectives (One course) | | NURS 401 to be taken at Concordia. |

| Concordia College Nursing Pre-requisite curriculum | NDSGS courses |
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| BIOL 207 Fundamental Microbiology | MICRO 202 AND 202L Intro to Microbiology w/Lab |
| BIOL 306 Human Anatomy & Physiology | BIOL 221 AND 221L Anat/Phys II w/Lab |
| CHEM 304 Pharmacology | PHARM 205 Pharm for Nursing |
| FND elective | NUTR 240 Principles of Nutrition |

| Remaining Concordia College Nursing curriculum: All courses to be taken at Concordia |
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| NURS 305 Essentials of Professional Nursing Practice |
| NURS 401 Community Health |
| NURS 404 Adult Health III |
| NURS 405 Emerging Concepts |
| NURS 420 Nursing Research |
| NURS 423 Roles and Issues |
| NURS 430 Nursing Management |