

CHESAPEAKE COLLEGE

NOTRE DAME OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY

**RN to BSN Articulation Agreement
between
Chesapeake College
and
Notre Dame of Maryland University
2017 through 2022**

I. PURPOSE

Notre Dame of Maryland University, Inc. (Notre Dame) and Chesapeake College (Chesapeake) enter into this Articulation Agreement (Agreement) so that students enrolled in the Registered Nurse Associate Science Degree program will have a clear understanding of how their credits will transfer to Notre Dame into the RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN) program.

This Agreement facilitates the transfer of prospective graduates and graduates of Chesapeake College to Notre Dame and provides valuable advising tools for the student's first two years of study at the community college. Students need to be in the process of completing their Associate degree prior to being eligible for consideration under this agreement.

Students may start the RN to BSN Program of Study at Notre Dame without a RN license. However, students must have an active unencumbered Maryland or compact RN license before enrolling in Notre Dame coursework that incorporates experiential learning components with Notre Dame's practice partners, *and/or* a designated capstone course.

Students without an active unencumbered Maryland or compact RN license will not be awarded thirty (30) upper division nursing credits in the program they are entering.

As per the Maryland Nursing Education articulation agreement, Registered Nurses with an active unencumbered Maryland or compact RN license articulating to the baccalaureate level are awarded thirty (30) upper division nursing credits in the program they are entering.

II. ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Notre Dame will:

1. Accept the program requirements that Chesapeake College students complete for the RN program as outlined in the articulation documents included with this agreement and as stated in the Notre Dame Transfer Policy.
2. Accept transfer-appropriate courses with a grade of "C" or better, up to a maximum of 68 credits in transfer.
3. Provide opportunities for Chesapeake College students to *participate in activities on the Notre Dame campus prior to enrollment.*

4. Provide *concurrent* information sessions and advisement opportunities for Chesapeake enrolled students.
5. Provide assistance throughout the financial aid process and distribute information on external scholarships targeted to transfer students.

B. Chesapeake College will:

1. Provide opportunities for Notre Dame Admission 's personnel to meet with qualified students.
2. Publicize activities and programs held on the Notre Dame campus or local sites.
3. Publicize this articulation agreement and notify prospective qualified students of this opportunity.

C. Jointly Chesapeake College and Notre Dame will:

1. Designate appropriate officials to review this Agreement to make any changes that are mutually agreed to by the parties as needed. This would include the continuing development of program to program articulation guidelines *or possible ATB (associate to baccalaureate) partnerships*.
2. Chesapeake and Notre Dame agree to comply with all provisions of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

III. ADMISSIONS

- A. Students desiring to enter the bachelor's degree program(s) must apply to Notre Dame and meet the requirements for admission to these programs as indicated on the University's website and/or the current University catalog.
- B. Students must be admitted to Notre Dame as a degree seeking student to be eligible for participation under this articulation agreement.
- C. Notre Dame will be responsible for processing the admission of Chesapeake College students and/or graduates, and the decision of the Notre Dame Admission's staff will be final.

IV. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. LIABILITY

1. Subject to the limitations of the Local Government Tort Claims Act, Chesapeake College shall save, defend, indemnify, and hold Notre Dame, its officers, trustees, employees, and agents harmless for claims, actions and suits for bodily injury, death or property damage arising under this Agreement or any extension thereof by reasons of the actions of Notre Dame or its employees or agents.
2. Notre Dame shall save, defend, indemnify, and hold Chesapeake College, its officers, trustees, employees, and agents harmless for claims, actions and suits for bodily injury, death or property damage arising under this Agreement or any extension thereof by reasons of the actions of Chesapeake College or its employees or agents.

B. TERM AND RENEWAL

This Agreement shall have an initial term of five (5) years beginning on the date signed below by both college/university officials. Unless terminated pursuant to the terms outlined below, this Agreement is self-renewing and the program will continue for consecutive one-year periods.

C. TERMINATION CLAUSE

Either party may terminate this Agreement at the end of the initial term or at the end of a renewed term by giving the other party at least six months' prior written notice. Such termination, however, will not apply to students already accepted to Notre Dame.

D. MISCELLANEOUS

1. This Agreement is not assignable but shall bind the corporate successors of Notre Dame and Chesapeake College.
2. This Agreement will not create an employment or partnership relationship between Notre Dame and Chesapeake College.
3. No amendment to this Agreement shall be valid and binding unless in writing signed by both parties.
4. Notice of any action taken by either party and required to be reported to the other party under this Agreement shall be mailed, certified delivery, or electronic mail with confirmation receipt to the other party at the addresses stated below:

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this agreement below.

Kathleen Z. Wisser 11/14/2017
(Signature and Date)

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Clarenda Phillips 11/14/2017
(Signature and Date)

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(Signature and Date)
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Chesapeake College	Credits	Notre Dame of Maryland	Credits
BIO 211 Anatomy and Physiology I	4	BIO 201 Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 212 Anatomy and Physiology	4	BIO 202 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIO 202 Microbiology for Allied Health	4	BIO 213 Microbiology	4
ENG 101 Composition	3	ENG 101 Expository Writing (general education)	3
PSC-150 General Psychology	3	PSY-101 General Psychology (major requirement)	3
PSC 250 Human Growth & Development	3	PSY 233 Human Growth and Development	3
SOC-161 Sociology	3	SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3
COM 101 Fundamentals of Oral and Organizational Communication	3	COM 106 Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
Arts/Humanities General Education Course	3	Elective	3
MAT 113 College Algebra	3	Elective	3

Admission to the University

All Registered Nurses (RNs) or students who plan to take NCLEX-RN for licensure admitted to Notre Dame of Maryland University will enter under the following terms:

- A maximum of 68 credits will be accepted in transfer
- No community college nursing credits will be transferred
- All RNs with an active license in Maryland or a compact state will be granted 30 upper-level nursing credits per the Maryland Articulation Model
- RNs will complete the remaining 31 upper-level nursing credits and any additional program requirements through Notre Dame

Note: Students potentially could start at Notre Dame with 98 credits, i.e. up to 68 accepted as transfer credits + 30 credits per the MD Articulation Agreement.

Credits for Graduation

120 credits for graduation.

Credits Needed from Notre Dame

A minimum of 30 earned credits from Notre Dame is required for graduation. The final 30 credits for the degree must be earned at Notre Dame.

Courses needed to complete BS in Nursing (RN to BSN program) at Notre Dame:

General Education

Mathematics (3-4 credits, MAT 215 Statistics)
(CC's MA 204 Introduction to Statistics)

Philosophy (6 credits; one 200 level* and one 300/400* level PHL course in Ethics/Medical Ethics)
(CC's PHL 200 Introduction to Philosophy)

Religious Studies (6 credits; RST-201 and one 300/400 level* RST)

History (3 credits) *
(CC- any HIS courses fulfils requirement)

Literature (3 credits) *
(CC- any ENG literature course fulfils requirement)

* If taken at the community college, then may be transferred for a total of 68 credits.

Graduation Requirements

Gender/Cross Cultural requirements completed with AA degree

Courses in the Nursing Major

BIO-260 Genetics and Genomics

Nursing core curriculum 31 credits

NUR-300	Foundations of Caring Science
NUR-302	Caring Approaches to Practice
NUR-306	Writing for Professionals
NUR-314	Nursing Situations in Palliative Caring <u>OR</u>
NUR-315	Advocacy, Policy, and Politics <u>OR</u>
NUR-316	Spirituality in Nursing Practice
NUR-319	Holistic Health Assessment and Nutrition Across the Lifespan for Professional Nurses
NUR-400	Information Systems for Caring Practice
NUR-411	Healthy Aging for Professional Nurses
NUR-412	Population Health through a Caring Lens
NUR-420	Nursing Research for Professional Nurses
NUR-440	Caring Nursing Leadership for Professional Nurses
NUR-450	Capstone Experience