THE STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES
AND
PANOLA COLLEGE

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

We the undersigned agree to implement the articulation agreement as attached.

Stephen F. Austin State University

Dr. Baker Patillo, President

Date:

Panola College

Dr. Gregory Powell, President

Date:

AGREEMENT TO ARTICULATE PANOLA COLLEGE GRADUATES WITH AN
ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING TO STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE
UNIVERSITY IN THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM

Scope of Services: The RN to BSN track is designed to provide students a way to complete the
requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Stephen F. Austin State
University (SFASU) in one and a half years.

Performing Institution: The degree Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) is provided by
Stephen F. Austin State University (SFASU) and the ADN in Nursing is offered
by Panola College (PC). Approval of this request would allow Panola College
graduates direct admission to the nursing program upon completion of all pre-
requisite requirements.

Courses: Attached is the degree plan for the two programs.

Liaisons: The Dean of Nursing and Health Sciences will serve as the advisor for all students
admitted to the program at Panola College and will advise them concerning
articulation with Stephen F. Austin State University.
The Director of the DeWitt School of Nursing at Stephen F. Austin State University will serve as the liaison with the Nursing Program Dean at Panola College and will communicate requirements for articulating students.

Compliance: Panola College will assume responsibility for notification of appropriate accreditation bodies for their institution and assure compliance with all standards and regulations for the ADN program. Stephen F. Austin State University will ensure that Panola College ADN graduates have direct access to the admission process at DeWitt School of Nursing for the RN to BSN program.

Admission: Students accepted into the RN to BSN program at Stephen F. Austin State University will meet the application standards and progression expectations and the admission requirements for the nursing program at Stephen F. Austin State University. Panola College graduates who have obtained the RN license will automatically have their Panola College courses accepted en bloc in transfer. Following successful completion of these two courses (NUR 434 and NUR 435), the students will be given thirty hours advanced credit for the following nursing courses: 306, 330, 331, 332, 406, 407, and 408.

Meetings: The Director of the DeWitt School of Nursing at Stephen F. Austin State University and the Dean of Nursing and Health Sciences from Panola College will meet as needed.

Contract: The timeframe for implementation of this agreement is the Summer of 2010. This agreement will be reviewed biennially.
Panola College
FIELD OF STUDY: PRE-NURSING (Transfer for baccalaureate degree leading to RN)
Faculty advisor: Dr. Barbara Cordell
• Follow Core Curriculum taking MATH 1342, BIOL 2401, BIOL 2402, PSYC 2301.
• Two courses in physical education activity are required.
• 14 hours which include BIOL 1322, BIOL 2421, CHEM* 1405 or CHEM* 1411, PSYC 2314 or SOCI 1301.
• RN/LVN to BSN transition: Consult with the receiving university for availability of a program and course selection.

*Select the chemistry courses based on requirements of the intended transfer university.
THECB adopted Field of Study Curriculum requires completion of the following hours:
Academic Hours (28): BIOL 2401 & 2402; BIOL 2420 or 2421; CHEM 1405 or above; BIOL 1322; PSYC 2301 & 2314; MATH 1342 and
WECM Hours (20): RNSG 1309 & 1205; RNSG 1441 & 1443; RNSG 2208 & 2201; RNSG 2213.

ADN Curriculum
Program Prerequisites Hours
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I 14
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II 4
CHEM 1405 Introduction to Chemistry 4
PSYC 2301 General Psychology 3

Total 15
Semester I
RNSG 1205 Nursing Skills (LVNs may challenge) 2
RNSG 1309 Introduction to Nursing 3
RNSG 1362 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 1309 3
RNSG 1201 Pharmacology (LVNs may challenge) 2
BIOL 2421 * Microbiology 4

Total 14
Semester II
RNSG 2213 Mental Health 2
RNSG 2262 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 2213 2
RNSG 1441 Common Concepts of Adult Health 4
RNSG 1262 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 1441 2
BIOL 1322 * Nutrition & Diet Therapy 13
PSYC 2314 * Lifespan Growth & Development 3

Total 16
Semester III
RNSG 1443 Complex Concepts of Adult Health 4
RNSG 1263 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 1443 2
RNSG 2208 Mat/Newborn/Women’s Health 2
RNSG 2261 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 2208 2
SPNL 1101 * Health Care Spanish 1
ENGL 1301 * Composition I 3

Total 14
Semester IV
RNSG 2201 Care of Children and Families 2
RNSG 2260 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 2201 2
RNSG 2221 Management of Client Care 2
RNSG 2231 Advanced Concepts of Adult Health 2
RNSG 2263 Clinical Nursing for RNSG 2231 2
Elective * Academic Education: Fine Arts/Humanities 3
Total 13
TOTAL HOURS 72
Capstone Learning Experience: A comprehensive achievement examination.
*Non-prerequisite academic courses required for this curriculum may be taken during any level.

SFASU RN-BSN curriculum:

A student requesting admission to the baccalaureate program in Nursing must meet the following criteria:

1. Acceptance to SFA
2. A current licensure to practice as a Registered Nurse (RN)
3. Completed application to the School of Nursing.
4. The following may be completed before or after admission to the School of Nursing:
   A. Eight hours from: *BIO 238 & 239
   B. Four hours from: *CHE 111
   C. Four hours from: *BIO 308 or 309
   D. Three hours from: *NUR 304
   E. Four hours from: *HMS 236/HMS 236L or PSY 210/HMS 336 (3 hours)
   F. Three hours from: *HMS 239 or 339
   G. Three hours from: CSC 101, 102, 121 or 201
   H. Three hours from: SOC 139 or ANT 231
   I. Six hours from: ENG 131 & 132
   J. Three hours from: Prescribed Elective I see model curriculum outline
   K. Three hours from: Prescribed Elective II see model curriculum outline
   L. Six hours from: Prescribed Elective III... see model curriculum outline
   M. Three hours from: PSY 133
   N. Three hours from: MTH 220
Suggested Course of Study:

Summer I
NUR 434, Professional Transition I, six hours (previously NUR 303)

Summer II
NUR 435, RN-BSN Professional Transition II, six hours (previously NUR 425)

Fall
NUR 439, RN-BSN Research and Application, three hours (previously NUR 325)
NUR 440, RN-BSN Care of Community Populations, three hours (previously (NUR 324 and NUR 416)
Six hours of Nursing Electives (see list below)

Spring
NUR 441, RN-BSN Leadership, four hours (previously NUR 415)
HMS 339, Nutrition, three hours, (web based)
Six hours of Nursing Electives (see list below)

RN-BSN Transition students may take the following:

NUR 436. RN-BSN Pharmacology (web based)

NUR 437. RN-BSN Health Assessment web based): Two semester hours, one hour didactic and three hours clinical practicum (NUR 437L).

NUR 438. RN-BSN Pathophysiology (web based):

PRESCRIBED NURSING ELECTIVES:
NUR 340, Communication in Health Care, two hours
NUR 343, Women’s Health Issues, two hours
NUR 350, History of the Nursing Profession, one hour
NUR 351, Current Issues and Trends in Nursing, one hour
NUR 352, Ethics in Nursing, one hour
NUR 353, Complementary and Alternative Therapies, one hour
NUR 354, Healthy Aging, two hours
NUR 451, Violence in Families, two hours
NUR 452, Perioperative Nursing, two hours

Nursing 434 and 435 are the bridging courses for the RN-BSN transition student. The student will receive six hours of credit for NUR 434 and six credit hours for Nursing 435(Advanced Nursing Theory, Process, and Skills). Following successful completion of these two courses (NUR 434 and NUR 435), the students will be given thirty hours advanced credit for the following nursing courses: 306, 330, 331, 332, 406, 407, and 408.
Students in the RN-BSN transition track will complete the following nursing courses: 434, 435, 439, 440, and 441. NUR 304, NUR 307, and NUR 308 are required for the BSN; however, there are options for validating knowledge for these courses. After students are admitted to the SON, they will be asked to submit a portfolio to validate and document their nursing experience. Based upon this documentation, a waiver may be given or the student will be required to take NUR 304, NUR 307, and NUR 308. Degree plans will finalize requirements.

The SFA School of Nursing is accredited by both the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) and the National League of Nursing Accreditation Council (NLNAC).

The baccalaureate program is accredited by the National League for Nursing (NLNAC) and the Texas Board of Nursing (BON).