

FAIR TRANSFER PROMISE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

CAROLINAS COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

AND

RICHMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The **Fair Transfer Promise Agreement** with the North Carolina Community College System Associate Degree Nursing Programs creates a seamless academic progression opportunity for registered nurses moving between North Carolinas community colleges and Carolinas College of Health Sciences in order to complete a Bachelor of Science in nursing (BSN) degree. Students who follow the progression degree plan outlined below will meet the entrance requirements to the Carolinas College RN to BSN program. The agreement enables students to plan with confidence that their block of courses will transfer as intended and satisfy degree requirements.

The agreement establishes the procedures governing the transfer of credits for nursing students who graduate from a North Carolina community college Associate of Applied Science (AAS) program and apply to the Carolinas College RN to BSN program. **This agreement is effective beginning Fall 2021.**

Eligibility

The **Fair Transfer Promise Agreement** applies to all community college nursing students who successfully complete an AAS degree in nursing and meet the additional requirements outlined below.

1. Applicants must complete a program on or after the effective date of this agreement and must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.25.
2. Applicants must have earned a grade of “C” or higher in courses outlined in this agreement.
3. Applicants must hold a current unencumbered license as a Registered Nurse.

Applicants not meeting the eligibility requirements of the Fair Transfer Promise Agreement may apply directly to the Carolinas College RN to BSN program and transfer credits will be determined on a course-by-course basis.

Procedures

The **Fair Transfer Promise Agreement** enables registered nurses who have graduated from a North Carolina community college AAS nursing program to complete a common list of courses that meet the entrance requirements for the Carolinas College RN to BSN program. By completing Blocks 1-3 below, these students will receive at least 89 semester hours of academic credit upon admission to the college. Transfer courses that do not originate in a North Carolina Community College may be used if the courses were completed at a regionally accredited institution of higher education or the courses are known to be equivalent in breadth, depth, and content to those offered at Carolinas College.

A student meeting the eligibility requirements above will have fulfilled the Carolinas College RN to BSN program entry requirements and would receive guaranteed admission to the program with the start date determined by availability.

Advanced Placement (AP) course credits, awarded for a score three or higher, may be acceptable as part of a student’s successfully completed AAS degree under this agreement. Other advanced standing credit may be awarded based on Carolinas College policy.

The **Fair Transfer Promise Agreement** takes precedence over any existing articulation agreements established between Carolinas College and any community college in the North Carolina Community College System but does not necessarily preclude such agreements. Institution-to-institution articulation

agreements that fall within the parameters of this agreement and enhance transferability of students are acceptable. Institutional agreements conflicting with this agreement are negated.

Students who have not completed an AAS degree in Nursing are not covered by this agreement and their transcripts will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis upon application to Carolina College.

This agreement requires students to follow the prescribed five block course list below and complete all required credit hours. These courses are drawn from the NCCCS Transfer Course list. This agreement is consistent with the agreements established between the University of North Carolina institutions and the NCICU institutions. The number of credits awarded in Blocks 1 through 5 must total between 121 and 122 meeting the requirements of the Carolinas College RN to BSN program.

Block 1 (23 course credits)

Consists of certain prerequisite general education courses that are taken as a part of all North Carolina community college AAS nursing programs. The courses are:

Course Category	Transferrable Courses	Credits
English composition	Select two: ENG 111, ENG 112, ENG 114	6 (3,3)
Human Anatomy and Physiology with lab	Select one sequence: BIO 165 & 166 or BIO 168 & 169	8 (4,4)
Humanities/Fine Arts	Select one from the following: ART 111, ART 114, ART 115, MUS 110, MUS 112, HUM 115, PHI 215, PHI 240	3
Psychology	PSY 150, PSY 241	6 (3,3)

Block 2 (12-13 Credits)

Consists of additional general education requirements that are not necessarily a part of an AAS degree but are required to earn a BSN.

Course Category	Transferrable Courses	Credits
English Literature	ENG 231 or ENG 232	3
College Math	Select one: MAT 143 or MAT 171	3 or 4
Sociology	Select one: SOC 210, and of the following: SOC 213, SOC 220, SOC 225, SOC 230, SOC 240	6 (3,3)

Block 3 (14 credits)

Consists of the upper-level general education courses that are taken as a part of the Carolinas College RN to BSN program.

Course Category	Transferrable Courses	Credits
Statistics	MAT 152	4
Microbiology with Lab	BIO 275	4
Social Science	ECO 251, ECO 252, POL 120	3
General Elective	Any 3-credit hour course from the Transfer Course List	3

Block 4 (37 credits)

Consists of credit awarded by Carolinas College for nursing course (NUR) content taken as a part of the AAS degree program.

Block 5 (35 credits)

Consists of upper-level nursing (NUR) and general education courses that are taken as a part of the Carolinas College RN to BSN program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date indicated below.

Carolinas College

By: _____

Name: T. Hampton Hopkins, EdD

Title: President

Date: _____

Community College

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____