

DEGREE COMPLETION AGREEMENT

between

COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY

and

CARTHAGE COLLEGE

EFFECTIVE 08/01/2020

The purpose of this degree completion agreement is to provide a seamless transfer process for learners at College of Lake County who desire to further their education at Carthage College by completing the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. Through the collaboration of faculty, student services, and administration, learners will encounter a clear path to reach their educational goals.

Learners who successfully complete the following College of Lake County degree(s):

Associate in Applied Science Degree in Nursing

and who meet the admission requirements of Carthage College and any other conditions specified in this agreement will be admitted to the RN-to-BSN Program at Carthage College, with up to 64 credits accepted towards the BSN degree.

COURSES COVERED BY THIS AGREEMENT

College of Lake County Courses Associate in Applied Science Degree in Nursing (AAS)	Receiving Institution Equivalents	
Courses Fulfilling Degree Requirements		
<p>NUR 133 Foundational Concepts of Nursing Practice 8cr</p> <p>NUR 134 Medical Surgical Nursing 9cr</p> <p>NURS 232 Mental Health Nursing 3cr</p> <p>NUR 233 Family-centered Nursing Care 6cr</p> <p>NUR 234 Complex Medical, Surgical and Leadership Nursing 9cr</p>		<p>All nursing courses from College of Lake County will be accepted in bulk transfer and will be equivalent to the first 4 semesters of the traditional BSN program.</p>
Courses Transferring as General Education Credits		
<p>BIO 245 Anatomy and Physiology II 4cr</p> <p>BIO 246 Microbiology 4cr</p> <p>ENG 121 English Composition I 3cr</p> <p>PSY 121 Introduction to Psychology 3cr</p> <p>PSY 220 Lifespan Development 3cr</p> <p>ANT 221 Cultural Anthropology or ANT 228 Cross-cultural Relationships or CMM 127 Intercultural Communication 3cr</p> <p>CMM 121 Fundamentals of Speech <i>or</i> CMM 213 Dynamics of Small Group Discussion <i>or</i> CMM 128 Interviewing Practices 3cr</p> <p>General Elective 3cr</p> <p>Humanities or Fine Arts Elective 3cr</p>		<p>These courses are received in bulk transfer and serve to fulfill the breadth portion of the general education requirements at Carthage College.</p> <p>In combination with the nursing courses, these courses from the College of Lake County in Nursing allow students to receive junior status once accepted into the Carthage College RN-to-BSN Program.</p>
Total transferable credits: 64 credits		Total credits accepted: 64 credits

ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK TO BE COMPLETED AT CARTHAGE COLLEGE:

NURSING COURSES:

- Contemporary Professional Nursing (4 credits)
- Clinical Science Integration (4 credits)
- Applied Statistics for Health and Human Services (4 credits)
- Clinical Scholarship: Applying Evidence to Improve Health Outcomes (4 credits)
- Assuring Quality and Safety in Health Care Environments (4 credits)
- Improving Health Outcomes of Populations (4 credits)
- Leading Systems of Care to Improve Health Outcomes (4 credits)

Nursing course credits: 28

GENERAL EDUCATION/ELECTIVE COURSES:

- Exploring Intellectual Traditions requirement (4 credits)
- Inquiry requirement (4 credits)
- Religious Diversity requirement (4 credits)
- Interdisciplinary Thinking requirement (4 credits)
- Intercultural Literacy requirement (4 credits)
- Exploring Health and Wellness requirement (4 credits)
- Electives (4 credits)

General education/elective course credits: 28

Total credits at Carthage College: 56 credits

College of Lake County Associate in Applied Science Degree in Nursing: 64 credits transferred

Total credits required for RN-to-BSN Program degree: 120 credits

PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT:

1. **Admission.** It is the learner's responsibility to demonstrate fulfillment of the current admission requirements of Carthage College at the time of entry.
2. **Advising.** Carthage College and College of Lake County will provide academic advising to College of Lake County learners inquiring about Carthage College programs. Learners will be assigned a CARTHAGE COLLEGE advisor prior to transfer. Carthage College and College of Lake County will share materials, catalogs, and other information to facilitate their understanding of requirements and programs. College of Lake County will assist Carthage College in arranging recruitment events on its campuses, virtually, or any other means deemed appropriate for recruitment.
3. **Marketing.** Any marketing of this agreement between the two programs will be subject to the prior approval of both parties and will adhere to each institution's standards for the use of its name and logo. Each institution will assume responsibility for

appropriate marketing to reach its student population. Each institution may provide a link to this agreement and/or the other institution at its website, with notice to the other party.

4. **Accreditation.** Both parties agree that failure to maintain regional accreditation will be grounds for termination of the agreement. Failure to maintain accreditation required by the specific academic program referenced in this agreement will be grounds for exclusion of that program from the agreement.
5. **Periodic Review.** Carthage College reviews its articulation agreements on a three-year cycle or earlier if curricular or institutional policy changes warrant. Each institution agrees to notify the other of significant curricular or policy changes in a timely manner.
6. **Cancellation.** Both parties agree to provide at least one-hundred eighty (180) days' advance written notification of their intent to cancel this agreement. College of Lake County students who apply to Carthage College prior to the cancellation date will be permitted to transfer credits under the agreement terms.

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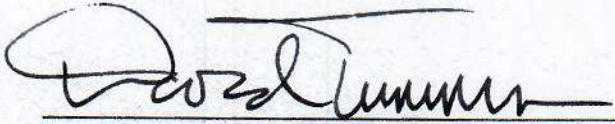
SIGNATURES

This agreement has been reviewed and approved by COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY and
CARTHAGE COLLEGE.



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Vice President of Education, CAO

1-20-2021
Date



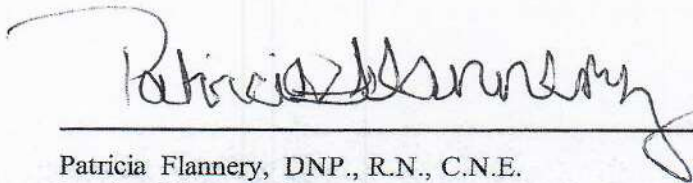
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