

**A Transfer Articulation Agreement
by and between the
Louisiana Community and Technical College System
and
Southern University and A&M College**

This Agreement shall be effective as of the date of the last signature hereto (the "Effective Date") by and between SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY and A&M COLLEGE (SUBR) whose address is 801 Harding Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA. 70807 and the LOUISIANA COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (LCTCS), whose address is 265 S Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

Background

The Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS) is composed of 12 public technical and community colleges across Louisiana. LCTCS colleges collectively serve over 130,000 students in traditional credit instruction, workforce training, and adult education. Eighty percent of its over 25,000 annual graduates earned credentials in high-demand, high-income fields as defined by the Louisiana Workforce Commission. Each year, over 15,000 students transfer from an LCTCS institution to a 4-year university.

Southern University and A&M College (SUBR) is a comprehensive institution offering four-year, graduate, professional, and doctorate degree programs, fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). The University is part of the only historically black Land Grant university system in the United States. Educational opportunities are provided for traditional and non-traditional students offering scholarly interaction among diverse people. The University is committed to a broad program of research, both basic and applied, and creative work to stimulate the faculty and students in a quest for knowledge and to aid society in resolving its scientific, technological, socioeconomic, and cultural problems.

General Requirements

LCTCS and SUBR enter into this Agreement for the express purpose of ensuring acceptance of college coursework between institutions and further facilitate the transfer of LCTCS students who satisfy either of the following criteria:

Southern University A&M College (SUBR) and LCTCS have agreed to enter into an Agreement for an Online Registered Nurse (RN) to Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (BSN) (2+2) program between the two institutions. The 2+2 program will allow LCTCS students who complete the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree to complete the first two years of study at LCTCS colleges and transfer credit hours as designated to SUBR for completion of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program. Students transferring to SUBR may complete the last two years of their course work at SUBR.

When determined by SUBR, to its reasonable satisfaction, that a student has satisfied either of the conditions set for above, LCTCS transfer students will be afforded the following opportunities:

Guaranteed Admission

- LCTCS students who have earned the Associate of Science in Nursing degree and have an unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) license, have the opportunity to enroll in the accredited BSN program at SUBR.
- SUBR will accept credits from LCTCS colleges in designated courses required for completion of the BSN degree.
- LCTCS transfer students awarded an Associate Degree and who have an unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) license as identified above, will be guaranteed admission. Students will be made aware that additional prerequisites, and graduation requirements may be required in accordance with academic requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. Only students who are in good standing at their last transfer institution will be considered.

Transferability of Credit

Completed coursework includes transferable courses outlined on SUBR RN to BSN Curriculum Plan (see Appendix A).

Student Advising

In accordance with this Affiliation Agreement, **LCTCS** agrees to:

- Provide pre-transfer advising to LCTCS students through online, onsite, and/or telephone advising. Informational materials, provided by SUBR, for potential transfer students will be available at the community colleges to facilitate the transfer process.
- Post information regarding the 2+2 agreement on the LCTCS website
- Jointly market the 2+2 RN to BSN program with SUBR

In accordance with this Affiliation Agreement, **SUBR** agrees to:

- Accept designated LCTCS credit hours as listed in Appendix A SUBR RN to BSN Curriculum Plan.
- Provide RN to BSN Programmatic advising to LCTCS students
- Jointly market the 2+2 RN to BSN program agreement with LCTCS.

Activities may include the following:

- a. Participation in transfer conferences, transfer fairs, professional conferences and visits to community colleges to educate administrators, counselors, faculty, staff, and students about University admissions requirements, costs, etc.;
- b. Provision of onsite admissions to eligible LCTCS students at transfer conferences, transfer fairs, and during college visits.

If an institution modifies the degree requirements or prerequisites after admission, transfer students will be accommodated with equivalent coursework credit and not penalized in total units required for their degree. Admitted transfer students will be required to follow the degree requirements as outlined in the catalog that was in effect at the time of application.

Program Evaluation

Once every two academic years, LCTCS faculty and staff will meet with SUBR faculty and staff to review current curriculum and course offerings and present any changes to the curriculum as outlined in the exhibits included herein prior to implementing the proposed changes.

Data Sharing

For the purposes of this Agreement, parties agree to share student information that assists with the furtherance of the activities outlined herein. Both parties agree to keep student information confidential and to use such information only for the activities outlined in this agreement. All information about students obtained from any of the Parties shall be held confidential pursuant to the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C.A. 1232g) ("FERPA") and of La. R.S. 17:3914.

Marketing & Communication

The LCTCS will work with SUBR to develop an internal and external marketing plan to communicate and publicize the President's support of this Agreement to all LCTCS campuses. Dissemination may include print media, news releases, email, webinars, and social media distribution channels. The system office will assist in promoting this opportunity to each LCTCS College and ensure that Transfer Center Directors understand the benefits of the program for students. Professional organizations and initiatives will be encouraged to disseminate information about the agreement.

Terms of Agreement and Severability

The term of this Agreement shall be ongoing commencing on the date first set forth above, provided that either party may terminate this Agreement at any time and for any reason upon written notice, with the termination effective at the start of the following academic year. If the Agreement is terminated, all students identified on or before the date of termination will retain their transfer guarantee and all other terms stated in the Agreement.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties pertaining to the subject matter hereof and may not be amended, unless in writing and signed by both parties.

This Agreement shall not be construed to create any rights in favor of any non-party hereto, including as third-party beneficiaries.

All notices (including, without limitation, approvals consents and exercises of rights or options) required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed served, if by personal delivery or by facsimile, on the date the same is actually received by the addressee thereof or, if by mail, two business days after the same is deposited with the United States Postal Service (or its successors) for mailing by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, postage fully prepaid, addressed as hereinafter set forth, or, if by overnight messenger service (e.g., Federal Express) on the date of delivery by such overnight messenger service to the address as hereinafter set forth. All notices shall be addressed as follows or to such other address as the party entitled to receive such notice may, from time to time hereinafter, designate by giving written notice pursuant hereto:

If to SUBR:

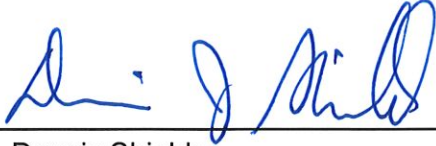
Southern University System
Attn: President-Chancellor
801 Harding Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA. 70807

If to LCTCS:

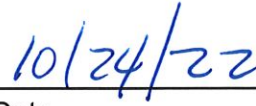
Louisiana Community and Technical College System
Attn: President
265 S Foster Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT

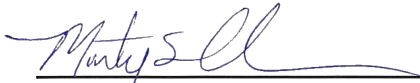
In witness whereof, the undersigned signifies their intent to execute this Agreement and agrees to comply with the stated terms and conditions.



Dr. Dennis Shields
President-Chancellor
Southern University System



Date



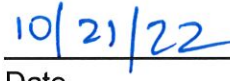
Dr. Monty Sullivan
President
Louisiana Community and Technical College System

11/7/2022


Date



Dr. Bijoy Sahoo
Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost
Southern University and A&M College



Date



Dr. Sandra C Brown
Dean, College of Nursing and Allied Health
Southern University and A&M College

10/19/2022

Date



APPENDIX A

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF NURSING RN TO BSN CURRICULUM PLAN

| Student Name: | | ID#: | | | Date: |
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| COURSE | DESCRIPTION | HOURS | GRADE | TERM | COURSE / INSTITUTION |
| PREREQUISITE COURSES* | | | | | |
| SENL 101B | English Composition | 3 | | | |
| SENL 102B | English Composition | 3 | | | |
| SMAT 121B | Pre-Calculus I | 3 | | | |
| SMAT 130B | Elementary Statistics | 3 | | | |
| SBIO 221B | Anatomy & Physiology I | 4 | | | |
| SBIO 222B | Anatomy & Physiology II | 4 | | | |
| SBIO 211 | Principles of Microbiology Lecture | 3 | | | |
| SBIO 213 | Principles of Microbiology Lab | 1 | | | |
| SPSY 201B | General Psychology | 3 | | | |
| PSYC 445B | Developmental Psychology | 3 | | | |
| HIST 111B HIST 112B HIST 224B HIST 225B | History World Civilization I and World Civilization II or American History I and American History II | 3 | | | |
| SFIA 101B MUSC 200 (MUSC 1013) HUMN 241 HUMN 242 | Fine Arts or Enjoyment of Music or (Music Appreciation) Three Arts: Elements & Prin. or Three Arts in History | 3 | | | |
| Total Prerequisite Credit Hours | | 36 | | | |

Thirty-Six (36) hours of courses noted above by asterisks (*) are required prerequisite courses that must be completed before enrolling in the RN to BSN Nursing courses.

| REQUIRED COURSES** | | | | | |
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| COURSE | DESCRIPTION | HOURS | GRADE | TERM | COURSE / INSTITUTION |
| CHEM 128B | General Chemistry | 4 | | | |
| PHIL 210 | Introduction to Logic | 3 | | | |
| SHIS 111B | History of Civilization II | 3 | | | |
| FCSC 332 | Human Nutrition | 3 | | | |
| SENL 240B | Intro to African American Lit | 3 | | | |
| SSOC 210B | Introduction to Sociology | 3 | | | |
| Free Elective | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| Total Required Credit Hours | | 22 | | | |

Twenty-Two (22) hours of courses noted above by asterisks (**) are required courses that must be completed to earn the Bachelor of Science in Nursing. These courses can be taken at Southern University or transferred from another accredited U.S. institution.

SUBR Policy #1-004 Maximum, Transfer Credit Accepted from Two-Year Schools for the Online Registered Nurse (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Degree. *This policy proposes that up to 80 SCH be accepted towards the B.S. degree in Nursing.*



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RN TO BSN CURRICULUM PLAN**

| ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING COURSES | | |
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| <i><u>This section will be completed by SUBR Admissions Staff.</u></i> | | |
| COURSE | DESCRIPTION | HOURS |
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| Total Associate Nursing Credit Hours | | |

A maximum of thirty-eight (38) credit hours may be awarded for your Associate Degree Nursing courses by Block Credit to be used in the RN to BSN program towards completion of the required 120 hours for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Degree.

| RN to BSN NURSING COURSES | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| FALL | | | | | |
| Fall I (8 Week Session) | | | Fall II (8 Week Session) | | |
| NURS 403 | Health Assessment | 4 | NURS 416 | Transitions to Professional Nursing | 3 |
| SPRING | | | | | |
| Spring I (8 Week Session) | | | Spring II (8 Week Session) | | |
| NURS 404 | Issues in Nursing | 3 | NURS 417 | Community as a Client | 6 |
| NURS 305 | Nursing Research | 3 | | | |
| SUMMER | | | | | |
| Summer (8 Week Session) | | | | | |
| NURS 418 | Nursing Leadership | 5 | | | |
| Total RN to BSN Nursing Credit | | 24 | | | |
| TOTAL BSN CREDIT | | 120 | | | |