



Articulation Agreement

Albany State University's Nursing RN to BSN Completion Program and Albany Technical College's Associate Degree Nursing Program.

Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to set guidelines for establishing a cooperative relationship between Albany State University's Department of Nursing and Albany Technical College and to facilitate mobility of students who have completed their associate degree in Nursing, and desire now to complete a baccalaureate degree in Nursing.

Agreement

Whereas Albany State University and Albany Technical College are committed to expanding educational opportunities for Registered Nurses.

Whereas the two institutions are committed to providing a smooth transition for students wishing to earn an associate degree and a baccalaureate degree, and

Whereas the intent of the two institutions is to avoid duplication of curricula where appropriate within articulated programs of study, and

Whereas the two institutions can better serve the educational growth of students and the economic development of the community through cooperative educational planning and optimal utilization of community resources, and

Be it resolved that this agreement commits the partners to fully support an articulation process between similar academic programs offered by the two institutions.

Mutual Terms and Conditions

- 1. Both educational institutions will cooperate toward developing, disseminating and presenting the articulated program information to students.
- 2. Graduates of the Albany Technical College Associate Degree in Nursing program who have completed the associate degree with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.80 or better, have achieved the RN license from the NCSBN, and have met the admission requirements of Albany State University, will be accepted into the Nursing RN to BSN Completion Program at Albany State University's Department of Nursing. Those with a GPA of less than 2.80 and who also meet the admission requirements of Albany State University, will be considered for admission on a space available basis.
- Students transferring from Albany Technical College may transfer credit hours toward their baccalaureate degree. Students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours at Albany State University at the 3000 and 4000 level to be eligible for a Bachelor of Science with a major in Nursing.
- 4. Students are subject to the policies and procedures of both institutions.
- 5. Students intending to transfer should complete the admissions process for Albany State University by the appropriate deadlines of their final semester of their associate degree program.
- 6. A Curriculum Equivalency Guide will be used by Albany State University and Albany Technical College to identify courses that will effectively transfer and prepare Albany Technical College students for success in the Albany State University program.
- 7. Albany State University and Albany Technical College will enter into a Financial Aid Consortium by complying with the necessary information sharing, to entitle students in these programs to the appropriate federal, state, and institutional assistance. This process includes annual reporting of tuition fees and academic calendar dates.
- 8. Both parties will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and all associated regulations, taking the necessary steps to ensure that confidential personal information is not disclosed or distributed.
- 9. All parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination based on Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in regard to sex, age, race, color, creed and national origin, and other applicable laws as well as the provision of the American Disabilities Act.
- 10. The term of this agreement is for 3 years from the date of execution and shall automatically renew for successive one year periods unless a party gives notice of non-renewal 12 months in advance of the expiration of the applicable term.
- 11. Both institutions, Albany State University and Albany Technical College, may at any time initiate changes to this articulation agreement. Both institutions reserve the right to modify programs as deemed necessary and agree to inform the appropriate individuals of said changes.

Signatures

The signatures below will finalize this Articulation Agreement between Albany State University and Albany Technical College and form the basis of a lasting relationship that will benefit each institution and its students.

Albany State University

Dr. Art Dunning , President

Date

Albany Technical College

Dr. Anthony O. Parker, President

Date