



**Articulation Agreement for Baccalaureate Degree
between
North Shore Community College
and
University of Southern Maine**

Statement of Purpose

North Shore Community College (NSCC) and the University of Southern Maine (USM) have entered into this transfer articulation agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from a two-year community college to a university. It is recognized that this agreement shall describe the required program of study at NSCC for admission eligibility to University of Southern Maine and the Baccalaureate Degree Program indicated.

Terms and Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**
(Name of USM Academic Program/Degree)

From: **Associate in Science in Nursing**
(Name of NSCC Academic Program/Degree)

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in compliance with state and federal education policies and institutional and academic program accreditation standards pertaining to undergraduate academic transfer. Current students and graduates who have earned degrees from North Shore Community College shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as University of Southern Maine students. All applicants accepted to University of Southern Maine's Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in Appendices A, B & C.

- * Appendix A Contains Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution
- * Appendix B Contains Side By Side Course Equivalency Tables for the academic program listed above
- * Appendix C Contains a four semester map of remaining courses to be taken at University of Southern Maine

(Important Note: The information contained in Appendices A, B, & C is accurate for University of Southern Maine Catalog Year 2022-2023 and the current transfer equivalency listing. For up to date information please check MaineStreet for transfer equivalencies and <http://usm.maine.edu/catalogs> for the current course catalog year.



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APPENDIX A

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines requirements, and indicates which degree or diploma can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major or program, and graduation requirements.

Admissions requirements: Successful completion of the NSCC Associate of Science in Nurse Education, submission of a completed admission application, transcripts and other supporting materials. For coursework to transfer to USM, a student must earn a grade of C- or better; however, the lowest acceptable grade in required prerequisite courses (or any course that transfers as such) is C. The lowest acceptable grade in required NUR courses (or any course that transfers as such) is C+.

Requirements for the University of Southern Maine Bachelor of Science in Nursing: Remaining required coursework is listed in Appendix C. Student must transfer with a minimum GPA of 2.5 in all prior college work, and a minimum grade of C in Anatomy & Physiology I and II, Nutrition, Microbiology, Chemistry and Pathophysiology (or any course that transfers as such). Achievement of these thresholds **does not** guarantee admission.

University of Southern Maine Residency Requirement: For all baccalaureate degrees at the University, a minimum of 30 credit hours, including at least 9 credit hours in the major field at the 200-level or above, must be completed at the University of Southern Maine.

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APPENDIX B

*Courses represented in italics are required. If italicized courses in Appendix B are **not** taken at NSCC, the sequence represented in Appendix C cannot be observed. Credit totals reflect italicized entries.*

NSCC Associate in Science in Nurse Education General Education Requirements			University of Southern Maine Bachelor of Science in Nursing Equivalencies		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
CMP 101	Composition 1	3	ENG 100	College Writing (WRI 1 Core Requirement)	3
CMP 102-150	Composition 2 Elective: <i>any course BUT the following – CMP 102, CMP 126, CMP 150</i>	3	ENG 140 OR ENG 1XX	Reading Literature OR English Elective (Cultural Interpretation Core Requirement)	3
SOC 106	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology (Socio-cultural Analysis Core Requirement)	3
PSY 102	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSY 204	Human Growth and Development	3	HRD 200	Multicultural Human Development	3
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology 1	4	BIO 111/112	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab	4
BIO 212	Anatomy and Physiology 2	4	BIO 113/114	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab	4
BIO 214	Microbiology	4	BIO 281	Microbiology for Health Sciences	4
Total credits		27	Total credits accepted		

NSCC DEGREE Major Courses			USM Equivalencies		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
NSG 101	Nursing 1	8	NUR 1XX	Nursing Elective	8
NSG 102	Nursing 2	8	NUR 1XX	Nursing Elective	8
NSG 104	Introduction to Pharmacology	1	NUR 1XX	Nursing Elective	1
NSG 105	Pharmacology and the Role of the Registered Nurse	2	NUR 1XX	Nursing Elective	2
NSG 106	Transition to the Role of the Professional Nurse	2	NUR 1XX	Nursing Elective	2
NSG 201	Nursing 3	10	NUR 2XX	Nursing Elective	10
NSG 202	Nursing 4	9	NUR 2XX	Nursing Elective	9
NSG 203	The Registered Nurse in Contemporary Society	2	NUR 2XX	Nursing Elective	2
	Nurse Education Directed Elective: <i>MAT 143 Introduction to Statistics</i>	3	MAT 120	Introduction to Statistics (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement)	3
Total Major Credits		45			
Total NSCC Credits		72	Total Credits accepted		72

APPENDIX C

Remaining USM Degree Requirements

For students in NSCC Associate in Science in Nurse Education transferring to University of Southern Maine Bachelor of Science in Nursing

[Assumes students complete recommended Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Fine Arts and Humanities electives at NSCC as listed in Appendix B.]

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
Social Responsibility and Citizenship Core Requirement	3	NUR 309/310 Health Assessment for RNs/Lab	4
BIO 345 Pathophysiology	3	WRI 2 Core Requirement	3
NUR 356 Concepts in Community Health	3	NUR 370 Theory for Clinical Practice	3
NUR 321 Health-Related Research	3	Creative Expression Core Requirement	3
Semester Credits	12	Semester Credits	13

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
NUR 419 Community Nursing Partnerships for RNs Clinical (Engaged Learning Core Requirement)	2	NUR 476 Theory Related to Clinical Specialty for RNs	3
NUR 474 Professional Issues: Leadership, Management, and Organizations for RNs	3	International Core Requirement	3
Science Exploration Core Requirement	4	WRI 3 Core Requirement	3
Culture, Power, and Equity Core Requirement	3	NUR 308 Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice	3
Semester Credits	12	Semester Credits	12
Total University of Southern Maine credits: 49			
Total NSCC and USM credits: 121			