

SYSTEMWIDE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

between

**The Wisconsin Technical College System Associate Degree In Nursing Program and the
University of Wisconsin Collaborative Nursing Program/BSN@HOME**

WTCS ASSOCIATE DEGREE:

Wisconsin Technical Colleges Systemwide Associate Degree In Nursing – ADN
All WTCS institutions participating

UW BACCALAUREATE DEGREE:

University of Wisconsin BSN@HOME, Bachelor Of Science In Nursing – BS/BSN
Participating UW Institutions: UW-Eau Claire, UW-Green Bay, UW-Madison, UW- Milwaukee
and UW-Oshkosh

RATIONALE:

The WTCS non-college parallel associate degree programs in Nursing (ADN) have a direct relationship with the UW-System Collaborative Nursing program/BSN@HOME. The WTCS-ADN program prepares students to meet all of the requirements for licensure as a registered nurse (RN) in Wisconsin, with emphasis on the basic knowledge and skills necessary to pass the standardized examination and to meet the workplace expectations of the various health care situations in which these practitioners may be employed. The Collaborative Nursing Program/BSN@HOME was specifically designed for registered nurses who wish to enhance their professional and educational development by completing the requirements for a baccalaureate degree in nursing. The associate degree program places a heavier emphasis on application and the BSN@HOME builds upon the application by adding theoretical coursework and related fieldwork in the major and adds general education courses. All BS/BSN in Nursing candidates must also meet the admission and General Education Requirements specific to the nursing degree program of the "Home Institution" at which they are enrolled as a degree bound student. In the process of meeting these requirements they will be required to take additional general studies courses, such as requirements in Ethnic Studies and other general education courses as defined by the individual campuses and schools participating in the BSN@HOME.

General Education Credits:

Up to 30 credits in 100 level general education coursework taken within the required nursing curriculum of a WTCS ADN program will be accepted in transfer.

Credits will be accepted from the areas of communications, behavioral sciences and social sciences. Depending on the "home institution" they may meet institution specific general education requirements of the admitting BSN@HOME "home institution", or relate to general education requirements of the baccalaureate degree.

Credits in natural sciences coursework, taken within the required nursing curriculum of a WTCS ADN program, will be accepted from the areas of chemistry, anatomy, physiology, microbiology, and biochemistry. Depending on the "home institution" they may meet institution specific natural sciences course requirements of the admitting BSN@HOME "home institution", or relate to general education requirements of the baccalaureate degree.

Nursing Credits:

Up to thirty credits in nursing will be awarded to fulfill major requirements when students have been admitted to the professional component of the program.

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DESCRIPTION:

This articulation agreement applies to graduates of the WTCS system-wide Associate Degree Nursing program from May 1996 and thereafter. These graduates are eligible to receive 60 college transfer credits to be applied to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at a UW System BSN@HOME under the terms of this agreement. These credits may include no more than 30 credits from the WTCS System-wide Nursing curriculum and 30 credits of 100-level general education courses. In addition to these 60 credits, some 200-level general education courses from WTCS Liberal Arts programs may also be transferable .

System-to-System and Program-to-Program articulated transfer courses/credits are accepted only for the program/degree specified in this agreement. A change of major/degree/program invalidates these courses/credits for transfer unless they are approved within some other Program-to-Program Articulation Agreement for a different major/degree/program.

Graduates prior to 1996 will be evaluated on an individual basis. A student may be admitted under a prior articulation agreement in place at the admitting institution, if the agreement would academically benefit the student.

This agreement is on-going and will be reviewed at least every five years. The five-year review will be initiated by the BSN@HOME Statewide Director in collaboration with WTCS partners. The reviewed articulation agreement will be submitted to the WTCS Vice President of Instruction, and the UW System Associate Vice President for Academic and Faculty Programs.

Attachment: Associate Degree Nurse: Detailed Program Design. Wisconsin Technical College System.

Original agreement 1996

Reviewed June 2001

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