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ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

University of St. Francis
AND
Illinois Central College

INTRODUCTION
This articulation agreement formally recognizes that University of St. Francis and Illinois Central College are active educational collaborators, committed to providing greater educational opportunities and services for students transferring between institutions. This commitment strongly supports the concept of seamless transfer that embraces the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already achieved. University of St. Francis and Illinois Central College enter into this articulation agreement in the spirit of cooperation and to mutually recognize each other as quality institutions of higher learning. Each institution is dedicated to serving students from diverse populations.

PURPOSE
The purpose of this articulation agreement is to enable Illinois Central College students who transfer to University of St. Francis, after completing their associate degree and RN license, to carry with them the credit they have already earned for as much relevant study as possible. This articulation agreement provides a structure through which transfer articulation on all levels can be supported. The transfer guidelines outlined in this articulation agreement are applicable to students transferring to USF from Illinois Central only. Additionally, this agreement provides students at Illinois Central with the following features:

- Introductory course (NURS 250 Concepts of Professional Nursing) to be taught by USF faculty at the Illinois Central College campus if sufficient enrollment exists or in a blended format (onsite and online) to familiarize students with online learning.
- Opportunity to complete (2) graduate nursing courses as part of BSN degree.
- Convenience of online course delivery allowing for a flexible work schedule while pursuing the degree.
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TRANSFER ELEMENTS

**Illinois Central College Associate’s Degree in Nursing**

This articulation agreement establishes that students who transfer from Illinois Central College with an associate’s degree in nursing and an RN license can gain early admission to University of St. Francis to pursue a bachelor of science degree in nursing (BSN) as well as receive reduced tuition rates for general education courses.

Parkland students shall proceed through University of St. Francis admissions process and shall meet all requirements and deadlines applicable at the time of application.

**J O I N T O B L I G A T I O N S**

University of St. Francis and Illinois Central College agree to provide direct links on each institution’s website indicating the existence of this articulation agreement. Illinois Central agrees that no publicity regarding this articulation agreement will be released without obtaining prior written consent from University of St. Francis.

As a commitment to easing the access to transfer materials and advising services University of St. Francis and Illinois Central College agree to promote seamless transfer by developing mutually supporting links between institutional web pages. Articulation materials may not be developed or distributed without the consent and review of University of St. Francis.

University of St. Francis and Illinois Central College agree, subject to applicable federal and state laws and regulations, to exchange data and documents as mutually agreed upon in writing, which will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this articulation agreement as well as promote effective cooperation between the two institutions.
EVALUATION & REVIEW

University of St. Francis will conduct an annual evaluation process of the arrangement supported by this articulation agreement. The information obtained from this evaluation will be used to improve the transfer process for the benefit of students.

TERM
The term of this articulation agreement exists indefinitely from the date of the last signature to this Agreement unless it is discontinued by either educational partner by submitting written notification to the other partner one year prior to the identified cancellation date in order to protect all students transferring between these institutions, such that students who transfer pursuant to this articulation agreement are not adversely affected by cancellation of this articulation agreement.

SIGNATURES
The signatories to this articulation agreement represent and warrant that each has the right and authority to execute this Agreement in their individual or representative capacity, as applicable.

University of St. Francis:
Dr. Arvid Johnson, PhD
President

Signature
Date

Illinois Central College:
Dr. Emmanuel, Awuah, PhD
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Signature
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Illinois Central College Associate in Applied Science Curriculum for Nursing (2017 - 2018 Academic Catalog):

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING)**

**27 SEMESTER HOURS**
- ENG 110-Composition I
- COMM 110- Intro to Communication and Theory
- BIO 205- Human Anatomy and Physiology I
- BIO 206 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II
- BIO 210-Microbiology
- PSY 110 – Introduction to Psychology
- SOC 110- An Introduction to Sociology
- Humanities/Fine Arts-3 semester hours

**MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS:**

**52 SEMESTER HOURS**
- RNRS 150- Principals of Safe Medication Administration
- FCS 110- Basic Nutrition
- RNRS 222- Nursing Management & Leadership
- RNRS 221 – Nursing IV
- RNRS 220– Nursing III
- RNRS 210 –Health Assessment of the Adult Patient
- RNRS 120 – Nursing II
- RNRS 111- Pharmacology for Nurses
- FCS 120- Principals of Nutrition
- HLTH 121- Medical Terminology
- RNRS 110- Nursing I

**TOTAL REQUIRED HOURS ILLINOIS CENTRAL COLLEGE: 71 SEMESTER HOURS**
University of St. Francis Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Curriculum

NURS 250 Concepts of Professional Nursing (Class held at ICC or online) 3
HIST 210 Founders of the Modern World (online) # 3
GENS 220 Understanding Literature and the Arts (USF online) # 3
MATH 105 Intro to Statistics # 3
NURS 246 Nursing Informatics (online) 3
NURS 365 Physical Assessment for RNs (online) 3
NURS 412 Nursing Research (online) 3
NURS 420 Ministry of Nursing (online) 3
NURS 462 Professional Nursing Seminar (online) 3
NURS 471 Community Health (online) 4
NURS 474 Leadership and Management (online) 4
NURS XXX Nursing upper division electives (or Challenge exams or MSN grad class)
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Minimum required hours completed at USF: 38 Semester Hours

Additional elective hours may be needed to meet the total hours required for the BSN Degree: 120 Semester Hours
+Online class
# transfer credit accepted in lieu of USF course