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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. The 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 students who transfer to the University of St. Francis, after completing their associate degree in Respiratory Therapy, 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 the University of St. Francis from Illinois Central College only. Additionally, this agreement provides students at Illinois Central with a number of educational, financial and accessibility features including:

- Introductory course to (HCLD 310 Management in Healthcare Organizations) taught by USF faculty on the Illinois Central campus if sufficient enrollment exists or in a blended format (onsite and online) to familiarize students with online learning.
- Opportunity to complete (2) graduate courses for undergrad tuition rate as part of HCLD degree.
- Convenience of online course delivery allowing for a flexible work schedule while pursuing the degree.
TRANSFER ELEMENTS

Illinois Central College AAS in Respiratory Therapy

This articulation agreement establishes that students who transfer from Illinois Central College with an associate’s degree in Respiratory Therapy can gain early admission to University of St. Francis to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Healthcare Leadership as well as receive reduced tuition rates for general education courses. Illinois Central College’s students shall proceed through University of St. Francis admissions process and shall meet all requirements and deadlines applicable at the time of application.

JOINT OBLIGATIONS

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 College 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:
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Illinois Central College AAS Respiratory Therapy to University of St. Francis BS Healthcare Leadership

Illinois Central College Associate in Applied Science

Respiratory Therapy (14 courses) Credit hours: 51
All courses must be completed with a grade of C or better.

- BIOL 210 - Microbiology
- EOC 114 - Introduction to interdisciplanary Health Care
- HLTH 108 - Electrocardiogram Interpretation
- HLTH 121 - Medical Terminology
- RESP 125 - Respiratory Care Practicum II
- RESP 123 - Pharmacology For Respiratory Care
- RESP 122 - Cardiopulmonary Anatomy & Physiology
- RESP 121 - Fundamentals of Respiratory Care II
- RESP 115 - Respiratory Care Practicum I
- RESP 112 - Fundamentals of Respiratory Care I
- RESP 110 - Introduction to Respiratory Care
- RESP 127 - Cardiopulmonary Diseases
- RESP 201 - Introduction to Mechanical Ventilation
- RESP 210 - Fundamentals of Respiratory Care III
- RESP 220 - Respiratory Care Practicum III
- RESP 231-Fundamentals of Respiratory Care IV
- RESP 235-Respiratory Care Practicum IV
- RESP 240-Respiratory Therapy Capstone

General Education (6 courses) Credit hours: 19 Complete all three sub-requirements:

Communications - 6 credit hours
ENGL 110- Composition I
COMM 110- Introduction to Communications: Presentation and Theory

Laboratory Science - 4 credit hours
BIOL 140- Human Anatomy & Physiology I

Social and Behavioral Science - 6 credit hours
PSY 110-Introduction to Psychology
SOC 110-An Introduction to Sociology

Humanities-3 credit hours

*Denotes prerequisite

Minimum credit hours required for completion - 71
University of St. Francis

Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Leadership (HCL) Curriculum

HCLD 310 (3) Management in Healthcare Organizations (Class may be held at ICC)
ENGL 210 (3) Writing for Professionals (USF online)
GENS 201 (3) Research and Decision Making (USF online)
THEO 206 (3) Christianity in Modern World (USF online)
BSAD 214 (3) Economics & Stewardship (online)#
ENVS 210 (3) Environmental Science & Social Implications (online)#
GENS 220 (3) Understanding Literature and the Arts (online) #
HIST 210 (3) Founders of the Modern World (online) #
HCLD 336 (3) Ethics in Healthcare (online)
HCLD 342 (3) Healthcare Delivery (online)
HCLD 345 (3) Health Information Management (online)
HCLD 346 (3) Healthcare Accounting & Budgeting (online)
HCLD 347 (3) Healthcare Law, Regulation & Policy (online)
PUBH 314 (3) Epidemiology (online)
HCLD 403 or HSAD 603 (3 or 4) Organization & Human Resource Management (online)
HCLD 407 or HSAD 607 (3 or 4) Medical Sociology (online)

Minimum required hours completed at USF: 40 Semester Hours

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