
TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Springfield Technical Community College's

Associate in Science in Nursing ASN Degree

to

Bay Path University's

Bachelor in Science in Nursing BSONR (RN to BSN) Degree

August 2021

Statement of Purpose

Bay Path University (BPU) and Springfield Technical Community College (STCC) recognize that, for many students, the path to a bachelor's degree may begin at a community college. Moreover, for STCC's female students, diverse educational opportunities, including the advantages of enrolling in a women's university to earn a bachelor's degree, adds great value to educational experiences. This agreement acknowledges that significance and is formed to enable the smooth transfer of Springfield Technical Community College Associate in Science in Nursing (ASN) graduates to the undergraduate program or American Women's College of Bay Path University.

Further, the purpose of this agreement is to provide smooth transition between the two academic programs by:

- identifying all required and equivalent courses for the relevant programs at each institution, and
- facilitating credit transfer and guarantee of admission for students who meet the agreed upon criteria.

Participants

This agreement has been entered into by Springfield Technical Community College, Springfield, Massachusetts, and Bay Path University for the Bachelor in Science in Nursing BSNR (RN to BSN) program offered through The American Women's College, which offers degrees of study online.

Programs/Courses Included in This Agreement

- A. Springfield Technical Community College's Associate in Science in Nursing courses will be accepted toward Bay Path University's BPU's Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program.
- B. This acceptance will be offered to STCC ASN graduates who enroll at Bay Path University undergraduate program at The American Women's College.
- C. Coursework and credits from STCC's ASN Degree will be accepted and applied towards required coursework and electives for the BPU's BSN program as outlined on the advising guide included in Appendix A.

Terms and Conditions of Transfer

- A. Students who graduate from the STCC's ASN program will be guaranteed admission into the R.N. to B.S.N. program, provided that they meet the following criteria:
 - a. A GPA of 2.7 or as evaluated by the Academic Director of Nursing
 - b. Successfully passed the NCLEX-RN Exam
 - c. Currently licensed and in good standing as a registered nurse in the United States (must provide proof)
 - d. Basic cardiac life support for the health care provider (photocopy of CPR card accepted)
 - e. Two letters of professional recommendation

- f. Admissions essay describing candidate's vision/goals of the personal and professional advantages of earning a Baccalaureate of Science degree in Nursing
- g. Candidates will need to successfully pass national background checks per the state requirements
- h. The BPU Admissions Application fee will be waived.
- i. Student must submit official transcript(s) from STCC, along with all other previously attended institutions, to their admissions counselor at Bay Path University.
- j. Graduates who have taken courses beyond the requirements of their A.S. in Nursing may request an evaluation of additional earned credits for eligibility and acceptance into the R.N. to B.S.N. degree program. However, all students must complete 30 credits at Bay Path University to satisfy residency requirements
- k. All other coursework from the sending program must be completed with grades of "C-" or better in order to be eligible for transfer

Please note that graduates from STCC ASN program may begin working on core requirements and/or electives while waiting to complete the R.N. license requirements. Once a student obtains their R.N. license, they may matriculate into BPU's R.N. to B.S.N. program.

Communications and Advising

Communication and advising is central to effective transfer/articulation. Recognizing this:

- A. The college and university agree to include information about this articulation agreement in relevant publications for the purposes of promotion and advising.
- B. The college and university agree to jointly develop appropriate transfer guides and make these available to students and advisors as appropriate.
- C. As this agreement was developed during the 2021-2022 BPU academic year, there is a possibility of curricular changes. BPU and STCC agree to notify each other promptly, in writing of these changes in curricula that might affect the Agreement.
- D. Students applying to TAWC, may register during any of six entry points throughout the academic year.
- E. Springfield Technical Community College agrees to properly advertise and provide information regarding Bay Path University, its academic programs and requirements, and services extended to transfer graduates under the terms of this agreement.
- F. Springfield Technical Community College agrees to forward information about the program provided by the BPU Health and Nursing Director and or Executive Director of Admissions of The American Women's College to students enrolled at STCC who have indicated an interest in attending BPU's online degree option.
- G. In accordance with BPU policy, students participating in this agreement may be able to apply up to two graduate courses from BPU toward their BPU Degree. In most cases, students must apply and be accepted into a graduate program to be eligible to do so. Students should consult with their Educator Coach/advisor if they have further

questions or concerns. For a comprehensive listing of all graduate programs at Bay Path University, please visit <https://www.baypath.edu/academics/graduate-programs/>.

Implementation and Length of Agreement

- A. Bay Path University and Springfield Technical Community College agree that this Agreement becomes effective on August 15th, 2021 and is applicable to eligible students in the next semester of enrollment.
- B. This agreement will remain in effect for three years from the date above unless terminated or amended by a signing representative below, from either institution, with prior written notice.
- C. This agreement does not preclude either college from entering into similar agreements with other institutions of higher education.
- D. This agreement may be amended by addendum as necessary. This means that as requirements and courses change over time this agreement may stay in force as long as the program managers, their academic supervisors, and the transfer counselors agree in writing to the change.

Signatures of Institutional Leaders and Representatives

The relevant program coordinator and/or academic department chair of each institution will be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

For Bay Path University:

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Appendix A

Proposed Equivalency/Advising Guide between Springfield Technical Community College and the traditional undergraduate program at Bay Path University

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Degree Evaluation Draft Only

School	Transfer Course Code	Transfer Credit	BPU Course #	BPU Course Name	BPU Credits
College Core (42 CREDITS)					
STCC	BIOL231/BIOL231L Anatomy & Physiology I	4	SCI_____	Science Elective	4
			COM111	Computer Applications I	3
STCC	ENG101 English Comp I	3	ENG114	Critical Reading and Response	3
			ENG124	Research and Writing in the Disciplines	3
STCC	ENG102 English Comp 2	3	ENG134	Literary Genres	3
			HIS_____	History Elective	3
			HUM_____	Humanities/Art Elective	3
			WEL220	Women as Empowered Learners and Leaders	3
			WEL331	Strategies for Personal and Career Growth for Nursing	3
			WEL441	Leadership in Practice for Nursing	3
			MAT120	Statistics	3
STCC	PSY101 General Psychology	3	PSY101	Introduction to Psychology	3
STCC	PSY210 Lifespan Human Growth & Development	3	_____	PSY/SOC/HUM Elective	3
STCC	NUR124/NUR224 Issues in Nursing 1 & 2	2	HEALTH	Health	2
Core Total		18	/42	NURSING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (39 CREDITS)	
	Requirement will be met upon successful completion of WEL331		BSN200	Professional Nursing	0
			BSN220	Health Assessment	3
			BSN340	Vulnerable Populations	3
			BSN360	Nursing and Global Diversity	3
			BSN380	Healthcare Policy and the Nursing Professional	3
			BSN400	Community Health and the Nursing Professional	6
			BSN410	Research for the Nursing Professional	3
	Requirement will be met upon successful completion of WEL441		BSN420	Leadership in Healthcare Systems for the Nursing Professional	0
			BSN440	Professional Nursing Capstone I	3
			BSN450	Professional Nursing Capstone II	3
STCC	NUR101 Nursing 1	8	SCI/NUR ELECTIVE		3
STCC	NUR204 Pharmacology for Nurses	3	SCI/NUR ELECTIVE		3
STCC	BIO235L Lab Microbiology	1	SCI/NUR ELECTIVE		3
			SCI/NUR ELECTIVE		3
Major Total		12	/39	ELECTIVES (39 CREDITS)	
STCC	NUR121 Nursing 2	9	Elective		3
STCC	NUR201 Nursing 3	9	Elective		3
STCC	BIO235 Microbiology	3	Elective		3
STCC	SOC101 Introduction to Sociology	3	Elective		3
STCC	BIO232/BIOL232L A&P 2 w/Lab	4	Elective		3
STCC	NUR221 Nursing 4	9	Elective		3
STCC	EL General Elective (2/3)	2	Elective		3
			Elective		3
			Elective		3
			Elective		3
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			Elective		3
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			Elective		3
Elective Total		39	/39		

	Estimated Transfer Credits:	69		TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED:	120
Non Transferable Credits			Elective		3
STCC	EL General Elective (1/3)	1		*student could potentially take a Gen Elec that will fulfill Humanities/History/Statistics and no credit would be lost	