#### **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

College of Southern Maryland

Associate of Science in Nursing

#### 8730 Mitchell Road PO Box 910 LaPlata, MD 20646-0910

and

Trinity Washington University

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

125 Michigan Ave. NE, Washington, D.C. 20017

College of Southern Maryland (hereafter referred to as CSM), a community college in LaPlata, Maryland and Trinity Washington University (hereafter referred to as Trinity), a four-year institution in Washington, D.C., agree to offer an articulated program leading to the award of an Associate of Science in Nursing and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. CSM students who transfer with an Associate of Science in Nursing to Trinity will not have their coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis to determine which of Trinity's general education requirements and discipline requirements have been met. CSM course agreements outlined below ensure that the transfer student will matriculate at junior standing.

# I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Articulation Agreement (the "Agreement") is to establish collaboration between Trinity and CSM to facilitate the transfer and degree completion of students earning the Bachelor of Science in Nursing. This Agreement provides a systematic plan for students to continue their higher education beyond the A.S. degree from CSM. The following general principles guide the operation of this Agreement:

# II. ADMISSIONS

Applicants successfully completing the articulated program with a **2.5** or better grade point average with no grade below a C to transfer, who have not matriculated at any other institution of higher education and who hold current, active RN licensure in the District of Columbia, Maryland, or Virginia or are eligible to sit for the NCLEX within one semester will be guaranteed transfer admission to Trinity.

# III. ACCEPTANCE OF CREDITS

A maximum of 88 credit hours from CSM will be allowed toward fulfillment of the 120 credit hours required for baccalaureate completion.

# A. General Education Credits:

All courses meeting general education requirements at CSM will transfer to Trinity as shown in Appendix A. Courses not specified will be reviewed on a course by course basis for equivalency.

### **B.** Credits Accepted from Other Institutions:

If courses are evaluated by CSM and applied toward the Associate of Science degree, the student must submit the score report to be evaluated by Trinity. Credit will be applied as determined by a Trinity evaluation.

#### C. Non-Direct Classroom Credits:

The maximum number of credits that will be accepted by Trinity toward degree requirements from non-direct classroom instruction (including CLEP, Co-op Education, AP, and other nationally recognized standardized examination scores) is 30. Non-Direct Classroom credits earned through any combination of approved examinations or college-level experiential learning may be applied toward the completion of a Trinity degree. Any applied credits of this type must be in addition to the minimum 32 credits taken at Trinity (see <u>Undergraduate</u> <u>Student Transfer and Matriculation</u>). Credit satisfying major field requirements will be determined by the appropriate Program Chair(s).

**Undergraduate Student Transfer and Matriculation:** Students transferring to Trinity in or after Fall 2002 from another appropriately accredited institution of higher learning for a bachelor's degree must earn a minimum of 32 credits through course work at Trinity, excluding credits for experiential learning. Associations recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHEA) confer appropriate accreditation; these associations include but are not limited to regional accreditors.

# IV. SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

CSM students who have completed an Associate of Science in Nursing will be given every consideration for financial assistance and will be eligible to compete for need and non-need based academic scholarships at Trinity.

# V. BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

Trinity offers the following benefits for CSM students who transfer under this Agreement.

Trinity offers students an application fee waiver for those students who apply online. Upon acceptance to Trinity, CSM nursing graduates will meet one-on-one with the Trinity nursing academic and faculty advisor to review

her/his curriculum plan and register for courses. Nine of the nursing program BSN credits can count toward a students Master of Science in Nursing should the student pursue the MSN degree.

### VI. PROMOTION/OUTREACH

CSM and Trinity agree to publicize this Agreement via, but not limited to marketing materials and information sessions. Trinity's logo and transfer pathway will be featured on CSM's transfer agreements website. CSM and Trinity agree to collaborate to ensure successful transfer day visits and advising sessions.

## VII. TERM/MONITOR/REVIEW

- **A.** The initial term of this agreement shall be two years from the date of the last signature, with three (3) automatic renewals of two years each.
- **B.** CSM and Trinity further agree to monitor the performance of this Agreement annually for the first year and biennially thereafter.
- **C.** Trinity will establish a mechanism to provide information in aggregate on the academic progress of the CSM students enrolled as a result of this Agreement, including but not limited to statistical data compiled from non-specific student information.
- **D.** CSM and Trinity agree to communicate program changes in a timely manner to avoid disruption of student progress toward degree completion.

### VIII. TERMINATION

The Agreement may be terminated by either party for due cause and after adequate notice to the other. Termination of the Agreement will not affect any students currently enrolled at CSM in the name of major at the time of termination, and they shall be able to transfer credits pursuant to this Agreement.

# IX. APPENDIX

As part of this agreement, the following have been included:

**A.** An academic advising sheet showing requirements for a completed associate of Science degree in Nursing at CSM, additional pre-requisites to be completed at CSM, and upper level courses required to obtain a BSN at Trinity.

In witness thereof, the parties hereto have executed or approved this Agreement on the date entered below

Entered into this 1st day of June 2020.

Patricia McGuire, J.D. President Trinity Washington University

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Maureen Murphy, Ph.D. President College of Southern Maryland

#### Appendix A College of Southern Maryland A.S. in Nursing to Trinity Washington University School of Nursing and Health Professions RN-BSN Program CSM Students transferring to under this agreement must possess an active RN license by the end of the first semester of enrollment at Trinity.

#### Courses taken as part of the Associate of Science in Nursing at College of Southern Marvland

College of Southern Maryland Course Number and Title	Trinity Course Name and Number Equivalent	Credits Completed
ENGL 1010 Composition and Rhetoric	ENGL 107 College Composition	3
MAT 1120 College Algebra	MATH 196 College Algebra*	3
SOC 1010 Introduction to Sociology	SOCY 100 Introduction to Sociology	3
PSY 1010 General Psychology	PSYC 101 Introductory Psychology	3
COM 1010 Basic Principles of Speech COM 1250 Introduction to Interpersonal Com COM 1350 Intercultural Communication	COM 195 Basic Principles of Speech Com COM 195 Interpersonal Communication COM 195 Intercultural Communication	3
Arts and Humanities	Arts and Humanities	3
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BIO 2070 + BIO 2070L Integrated Human Anatomy & Physiology I + Lab	BIOL 121 Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 2080 + BIO 2080L Integrated Human Anatomy & Physiology II + Lab	BIOL 122 Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO 2010 + BIO 2010L Microbiology + Lab	BIOL 130 Microbiology	4
NUR 1030 Current Issues of the Older Adult	CSM Program Requirement	1
NUR 1015 Introduction to Nursing	CSM Program Requirement	1
NUR 1115 Fundamentals of Nursing	CSM Program Requirement	3
NUR 1115L Fundamentals of Nursing Lab	CSM Program Requirement	4
NUR 1215 Nursing Care of Adults I	CSM Program Requirement	4
NUR 1215L Nursing Care of Adults Lab I	CSM Program Requirement	5
NUR 2115 Nursing Care of Adults II	CSM Program Requirement	3
NUR 2115L Nursing Care of Adults Lab II	CSM Program Requirement	2
NUR 2315 Nursing Care in Community and Behavioral Health Settings	CSM Program Requirement	2
NUR 2315L Nursing Care in Community and Behavioral Health Settings Lab	CSM Program Requirement	2

College of Southern Maryland Course Number and Title	Trinity Course Name and Number Equivalent	Credits Completed
NUR 2215 Nursing Care of Child Bearing and Child Rearing Family	CSM Program Requirement	4
NUR 2215L Nursing Care of Child Bearing and Child Rearing Family Lab	CSM Program Requirement	2
NUR 2415 Management and Trends in Nursing	CSM Program Requirement	2
NUR 2415L Management and Trends in Nursing Lab	CSM Program Requirement	2
Total College of Southern Maryland General Education/Nursing Prerequisites/Nursing Credits		70

\* Course not required if a student has completed a course in statistics

# Remaining Courses for Trinity Washington University BSN

Trinity Course	Credits
MATH 110 Introduction to Statistics	3
CHEM 113 Chemistry for Health Sciences – with lab	4
PHIL 251 Bioethics	3
NURS 300 RN-BSN Transition	2
NURS 562 Advanced Health Assessment **	3(2/1)
NURS 320 Policy and Politics in Nursing	3
NURS 325 Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Health Care	3
NURS 330 Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice	3
SNHP 342 Health Care Finance	3
NURS 410 Leadership and Management in Health Care	3
NURS 421 Community Health for Registered Nurses	4 (3/1)
SNHP 501 Theoretical Foundations **	3
SNHP 601 Informatics **	3
NURS 490 RNBSN Capstone	3
Total Trinity Credits	43
General Electives	7
Trinity Baccalaureate degree	120 credits

\*\* Course counts toward Master of Science in Nursing