

**BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY**  
**STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**  
*THE PREMIER PUBLIC UNIVERSITY IN THE NORTHEAST*

**Transfer Articulation Agreement**  
**Between**

**Binghamton University Decker School of Nursing**  
**And**  
**Broome Community College**

**Introduction**

Based upon mutual respect for the integrity of parallel programs and in an effort to better serve students intending to pursue programs of study in Nursing, Broome Community College and Binghamton University hereby enter into agreement of a transfer articulation program.

Binghamton University recognizes particular responsibility to students from Broome Community College who complete an associate degree at Broome Community College and then wish to earn a baccalaureate degree at Binghamton University.

Prospective students should consult the Binghamton University Bulletin (<http://bulletin.binghamton.edu>) for specific information about courses and admissions requirements.

**Objectives**

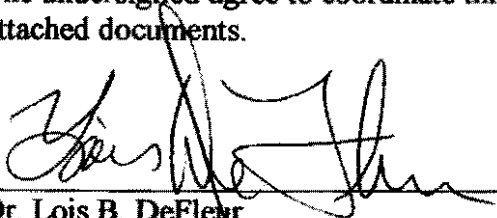
- To facilitate the transition of graduates of an associate degree program at Broome Community College to the baccalaureate degree programs in Nursing in the Decker School at Binghamton University.
- To attract qualified students to Broome Community College and to Binghamton University.
- To provide information to ensure appropriate advisement for students from faculty and staff at both Broome Community College and Binghamton University.
- To encourage academic coordination between faculty and advisors at the two institutions, including curricular reviews.
- To assess and exchange information on the specific outcomes of this articulation program with the goal of continual improvement.

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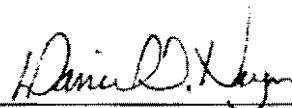
**Binghamton University Decker School of Nursing  
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In September 2008, Binghamton University and Broome Community College agree to enter into an articulation agreement as described on page 1 through page 9 of the attached document and the Transfer Planning Guide. This articulation agreement will remain in effect until it is recertified or until it is terminated.

The undersigned agree to coordinate this program and agree to all the stipulations outlined in the attached documents.



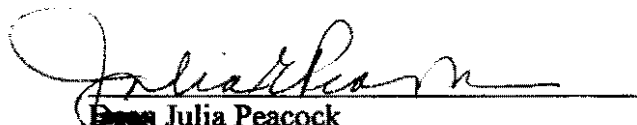
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### **These Items Apply Only to the Traditional Nursing Transfer Program**

1. Under the provisions of this program, all Broome Community College students who have graduated or who will graduate with the Associate of Arts (AA) or the Associate of Science (AS) degree with a cumulative and pre-requisite grade point average of at least 3.00 in courses toward their degree will be welcomed as matriculated students in the Decker School of Nursing Traditional Transfer Program provided that:
  - All relevant and regular transfer admissions criteria are met, including consideration of the qualifications of the pool of other applicants for the semester of admission.
  - Space is available in the entering class.
  - A completed application is received by February 15 for the fall admission and November 15 for the spring admission.
2. Students are encouraged to complete all the General Education (GenEd) requirements and Nursing pre-requisite courses at Broome Community College as part of the AA/AS degree. The pre-requisite courses are required to be completed prior to beginning the upper division nursing course sequence that begins only in the fall semester. Failure to complete these courses prior to the fall semester will make a student ineligible to begin the nursing and clinical sequence. To guarantee the timely completion of these requirements students should follow the attached Curriculum Planning Guide/Transfer Equivalency Table.
3. Broome Community College graduates with an AA or AS degree will be awarded credit and equivalencies for all applicable GenEd and pre-requisite courses required by the Decker School of Nursing. To receive a baccalaureate degree, students must complete 52 credits of required nursing courses at Binghamton and any remaining pre-requisite, GenEd or elective courses as needed to achieve 128 credits. Please see the attached curriculum planning guide and also view the curriculum plan for the Nursing Traditional Transfer Program at [http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/sample\\_curriculumrevised\\_fall05.html](http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/sample_curriculumrevised_fall05.html)
4. There are additional terms to the Traditional Nursing Transfer Articulation Agreement as listed under the following section "Applicable to Both Nursing Transfer Programs."

### **The Following Items Apply Only to RN Transfer Program**

1. Under the provisions of this program, all Broome Community College students who have graduated or who will graduate with the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Nursing and are or will be licensed as a Registered Nurse (RN) prior to the second semester at Binghamton in the RN Transfer Program or prior to enrollment at Binghamton in the Accelerated RN Transfer Program will be welcomed as matriculated students in the Decker School of Nursing provided that:
  - All relevant and regular transfer admissions criteria are met, including consideration of the qualifications of the pool of other applicants for the semester of admission.
  - Space is available in the entering class.
2. RN graduates with an AAS in Nursing from Broome Community College will be awarded credit and equivalencies for all applicable GenEd and pre-requisite courses toward the 128 credits required for the BS in Nursing. These credits will include nursing courses with 20 of those nursing credits applied toward the required upper division nursing courses and all other nursing credits applied to elective courses as applicable to the requirements of the Decker School. To complete the BS degree a minimum of 32 credits of required nursing courses must be completed at Binghamton, any GenEd and/or nursing pre-requisite requirements for the Decker School not previously completed and elective credits as needed to total 128 credits. Please see the attached Curriculum Planning Guide for Broome Community College and to view the curriculum plan for the RN to BS program, please go to <http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/addrn.html>. 32 vs 52
3. There are additional terms to this transfer articulation agreement for the RN Transfer Program as listed under the section "Applicable to Both Nursing Transfer Programs."

### **The Following Are Applicable to Both Nursing Transfer Programs.**

1. To receive the baccalaureate degree in Nursing, students must complete the General Education (GenEd) requirements, Nursing pre-requisite courses and the required Nursing and Clinical courses.
2. A minimum of 128 credits are required for the BS degree in Nursing and include both approved transfer credits and credits completed at Binghamton University.
3. Upon approval of 57 or more total transfer credits, students will be granted 'junior status.'

4. The applicability of transfer credits toward major requirements is determined by the Decker School's Office of Academic Advising. Please see <http://dson.binghamton.edu/cs/index>.
5. The Decker School will accept applicable courses from academic areas outside of nursing, such as engineering or business, provided that a grade of C- or better is earned and provided that the course is not remedial, developmental, skill-oriented or non-academic job-training, such as keyboarding.
6. Courses transferred will receive full credit as awarded by Broome Community College even if the equivalent Binghamton course award is a different number of credits, e.g., a three-credit course can fulfill a four-credit course requirement, but only 3 credit-hours will transfer or a five-credit course may be equivalent to a four-credit course at Binghamton but 5 credits will transfer.
7. Grades do not transfer, do not appear on the Binghamton transcript and do not affect the Binghamton grade-point average.
8. Credits awarded through programs including Advance Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), College Level Examination Program (CLEP), Excelsior College Examination and Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) will also be considered for transfer. A minimum score of '3' or better on an AP examination and a score of '4' or better on the IB higher level examination will receive a credit award at Binghamton.
9. In order to graduate with the BS degree in Nursing, students must meet the GenEd requirements established by the State University of New York and those in effect at Binghamton University. We accept all GenEd credits already awarded at other SUNY colleges. In addition other courses not approved as fulfilling a SUNY GenEd requirement may fulfill a GenEd and/or degree requirement at Binghamton. Please note that the foreign language requirement for the Nursing degree at Binghamton is fulfilled with the successful completion of one college semester of foreign language or American Sign Language or the achievement of an 85 on the NYS regent examination or course grade in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year level at a non-regent high school in one foreign language.
10. Each transferring student will be assigned a program advisor at Binghamton University who will assist the student in charting a comprehensive academic plan allowing for graduation in the shortest time.
11. The Binghamton University Bulletin and Student handbook specify all policies and procedures. All students who participate in this agreement and enroll at Binghamton University are expected to adhere to all general administrative and academic policies and procedures. The Decker School of Nursing may have other more detailed and specific policies.

12. Each institution hereby agrees to notify the other in the event of substantive changes in the courses, programs and policies at its institution that would have an impact on this agreement, including the courses and provisions herein. Broome Community College shall notify the Office of the Dean of the Decker School of Nursing at Binghamton University any time that course syllabi and/or content are significantly altered, or if new courses should be reviewed for equivalency. Substantive changes to the degree program at Binghamton University will be reflected in the Bulletin and in the guide materials on the department's website and due notification shall be made to Broome Community College. All such notifications shall be made as early as reasonable.
13. Evaluation and renegotiation of the agreement will occur every 5 years. Upon substantive changes or written requests of either party, a review of the contents and/or implementation of the agreement will be conducted by the two institutions.
14. Binghamton University and/or Broome Community College will give not less than one calendar year's written notice for a termination of this Articulation Agreement.
15. The attached 'Curriculum Planning Guide' lists the approved GenEd and nursing pre-requisite requirements for the BS degree in Nursing at Binghamton University that should be taken at Broome Community College. For several GenEd requirements, it lists a specific courses to be taken at Broome Community College because that course may also fulfill a pre-requisite nursing requirement at Binghamton. In addition approved Binghamton University course equivalencies for electives and other University requirements are listed. Please note that the Curriculum Planning Guide includes information for the Traditional Transfer Program, RN Transfer Program and the Second Bachelor Degree Accelerated Track Program. (BAT)

Binghamton University  
Decker School of Nursing  
Bachelor of Science Degree Program

**Broome Community College  
Transfer Equivalency Table**

<b>Nursing Prerequisites (required prior to BU nursing courses)</b>	<b>Broome Community College Recommended Courses</b>	<b>Binghamton University Courses</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Two Composition Courses	ENG 110, 111, 150, 220, 108	General Education Courses with "C" or "J" indicators	Two courses required.
Statistics	MAT 124	MATH 147 or PSYC 243	Fulfills general education "math".
Introductory Biology	BIO 118	BIOL 118	Waived if both Anatomy & Physiology courses are transferred to Binghamton University.
Anatomy & Physiology I	BIO 131	BIOL 251	
Anatomy & Physiology II	BIO 132	BIOL 252	
Microbiology	BIO 150 or MLT 208/209	BIOL 224	
General Chemistry I	CHM 141	CHEM 101	Fulfills general education "lab".
General Chemistry II	CHM 142	CHEM 102	Fulfills general education "lab".
Introductory Psychology	PSY 110	PSYC 111	
Developmental Psychology	PSY 210 or PSY 211	PSYC 220	Fulfills general education "wellness".

<b>General Education Requirements (not met by prerequisites above)</b>	<b>Broome Community College Recommended Courses</b>	<b>Comments</b>
H – Humanities	LIT or PHI courses (excludes PHI 120 & 202)	One course required.
A – Aesthetics	ART, MUS. or THR (3 credit courses)	One course required.
G – Global Interdependencies	HIS 116, 117; GEO 120; ANT 111	One course required.
N – Social Science	SOC, SOS, ANT, HIS, ECO, GEO, POS	One course required.
P – Pluralism in the United States	HIS 130 or 131	One course required.
Y or B – Physical Education Activity	PED courses	Must be an activity course: at least 1 credit.
Foreign Language	One semester, includes ASL (Amer. Sign Lang.)	Sometimes waived, based on high school transcript.

### **Nursing Major Courses**

#### **Traditional and Baccalaureate Accelerated Track (BAT) Programs**

Students must complete 52 credits of required nursing courses at Binghamton University. To view the curriculum plan for the BAT program, go to [http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/abp\\_2005\\_06.htm](http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/abp_2005_06.htm). For the traditional curriculum plan go to [http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/sample\\_curriculum\\_revised\\_fall05.html](http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/sample_curriculum_revised_fall05.html).

#### **RN to BS Program**

For licensed graduates of the Associate in Nursing degree program the Decker School of Nursing accepts 20 credits in nursing course work to meet upper division nursing course requirements. Additional nursing course credits transfer as general elective credits. Registered nurses holding an associate degree must complete 32 credits of required nursing coursework at Binghamton University. To view the curriculum plan for the RN to BS program, go to <http://dson.binghamton.edu/ps/addrn.html>.



## **Important Information Regarding Transfer Credits**

- 1. Transfer Credit Maximum:** There is no limit on the number of applicable pre-requisite, genEd and elective credits that may transfer. Students with an associate's degree in nursing may transfer 20 credits of nursing courses to meet upper division nursing course requirements and additional nursing course credits transfer as electives.
- 2. General Electives:** All students will need some credits in general electives to attain the 128 credits required for graduation. The number of elective credits required can vary widely. In most cases, students need between 10 – 20 credits of electives.
- 3. Science Courses:** Biology and Chemistry courses need to be taken within 10 years of entering the nursing program at Binghamton University. Exceptions are made for those employed in occupations where they are using these sciences.
- 4. Waiver of General Education Courses:** Students who possess a bachelor's degree in another field upon entering the Decker School of Nursing at Binghamton University will have all general education requirements waived.
- 5. Admission Disclaimer:** This transfer equivalency guide outlines a plan of study that allows for efficient completion of the bachelor's degree. Admission to Binghamton University is competitive and satisfactory completion of equivalent courses or an associate's degree is not a guarantee of admission.

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