

The Connecticut Community College Nursing Program & Southern Connecticut State University

Dual Admission Agreement

I. Introduction

The Dual Admission Agreement is for students enrolled in a Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP) who identify interest in earning the B. S. degree in Nursing at Southern Connecticut State University. Students **MUST** identify their intention to pursue dual admission at their initial admission to the Community College *in order to receive guaranteed enrollment in the RN to BSN program* following completion of the Associate Degree in Nursing and licensure as a Registered Nurse. Admissions and advising staffs at the sending and receiving institutions will work closely together and with participating students to ensure that appropriate coursework is completed and accepted upon transfer to Southern Connecticut State University. Dual Admission students will enjoy benefits that include:

- A. Early identification of interest in and preparation for advancement into the Southern Connecticut State University B.S. degree in Nursing during the first semester enrolled in the CT-CCNP.
- B. Consistent, integrated academic advisement and support;
- C. Access to Southern Connecticut State University student activities and campus facilities;
- D. Guaranteed enrollment in the B. S. in Nursing program at Southern Connecticut State University pending completion of the A.S. degree, licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut, and admission requirements at SCSU; and
- E. Smooth transition from the CT-CCNP to Southern Connecticut State University.

II. Dual Admission Guidelines

- A. Students **MUST** indicate their intention to pursue the RN to BSN program upon admission to the community college nursing program in the CT-CCNP. Applicants will complete a fee-waived Southern Connecticut State University application that is submitted to the Undergraduate Admissions Office at SCSU.
- B. When indicated at the time of initiating the AS nursing degree program at the community college, dual admission students will be guaranteed enrollment as matriculated students in the B. S. in Nursing Program at Southern Connecticut State University upon completion of the Associate Degree, licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut, and satisfaction of the following conditions:
 - a. Minimum 2.7 cumulative GPA;
 - b. Achieve a minimum grade of “C+” or a 2.3 QPA in designated coursework
 - c. Proof of current licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut;

- d. Graduation from the CT-CCNP; and
 - e. Enrollment at Southern Connecticut State University immediately following Associate Degree in Nursing program completion (specifically, enrollment at SCSU in Fall semester after graduating from the CT-CCNP in May that same year).
- C. Dual Admission students will receive **33** Nursing credits in transfer with an earned A.S. degree and a minimum of **27** general education credits that apply, with a minimum grade of “C+” or 2.3 QPA in designated coursework, in transfer toward Southern Connecticut State University degree requirements.
 - D. Students who have earned a previous Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university are exempt from Southern Connecticut State University’s Liberal Education Program (LEP) requirements with the exception of the three credit Tier 3: Connections requirement associated with the nursing major.
 - E. Dual Admission students will matriculate under degree and residency requirements of the Southern Connecticut State University catalog that is in effect when they begin their studies at SCSU.
 - F. Upon acceptance into the Dual Admission Program, students will be eligible to receive Southern Connecticut State University student identification cards and associated privileges, including participation in student activities and college events and access to the Southern Connecticut State University library, network center, and campus facilities.
 - G. Students will lose Dual Admission status if they withdraw or are dismissed from the CT-CCNP, if they do not enroll during the semester immediately following their graduation from the Community College, or if they transfer from the CT-CCNP to a college or university other than Southern Connecticut State University.

III. Institutional Commitments

A. The Responsibilities of the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program are to:

1. Publicize the availability of the Dual Admission Program by distributing program literature;
2. Provide students with information about the Dual Admission requirements upon acceptance to the community college nursing program; Seek permission from students admitted into the community college nursing program to share dual admission application data with SCSU;
3. Counsel and/or advise CT-CCNP students interested in attending the B.S. in Nursing degree at Southern Connecticut State University. Identify prospective students interested in enrolling in the Dual Admission Program and share the information with Southern Connecticut State University;
4. Designate personnel to work with staff at Southern Connecticut State University to implement an effective communication plan to Dual Admission students; and
5. Work with Southern Connecticut State University faculty to coordinate information sessions for prospective Dual Admissions Students.

B. The Responsibilities of Southern Connecticut State University are to:

1. Designate the Admissions Officer or Transfer and Articulation Officer that will serve as the point of contact for students interested in, and admitted to, the Dual Admission Program;
2. Develop a fee-waived application for the Dual Admission Program;
3. Designate the faculty advisor and other personnel to be the points of contact for the Dual Admission Program;
4. Provide at least (or at a minimum) one group advising session once per semester at each CT-CCNP that has identified dual admission students.
5. Provide the opportunity for students registered for twelve or more credits at the Community Colleges to take one free three credit course at Southern Connecticut State University.
6. Share enrollment and graduation information of enrolled Southern Connecticut State University RN-BSN students that are CT-CCNP graduates on a semester basis with the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program.

C. The Joint Responsibilities of the Connecticut Community College Nursing Program and Southern Connecticut State University are to:

1. Conduct forums/workshops for counselors, admissions representatives, department chairs and other identified staff from both institutions to discuss expectations, review program requirements, develop promotional materials, and discuss curriculum and course equivalencies; and
2. Make available system to system informational/marketing materials for the Dual Admission Program.

The Connecticut Community College Nursing Program and Southern Connecticut State University agree that in the performance of this Dual Admission Program they will not discriminate nor permit discrimination against any person or groups of persons on the basis of race, color, religious creed, sex, gender identity or expression, age, national origin, ancestry, present or past history of mental disability, genetic information, marital status, mental retardation, sexual orientation, learning disability, or physical disability or in any manner prohibited by federal or state law and regulations, and further, that they will make their programs available to qualified disabled persons consistent with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto.

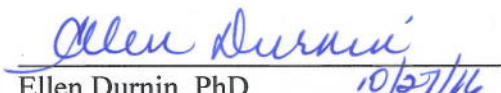
IV. Implementation and Terms of Agreement

1. When in conflict, this Dual Admission Agreement takes precedence over previous articulation agreements between the Connecticut Community College System and Southern Connecticut State University.
2. This agreement will take effect for students admitted into the CT-CCNP beginning Fall 2017.
3. This agreement may be amended as needed by mutual agreement between the Community College System and Southern Connecticut State University.

Signed this 27 day of October, 2016.



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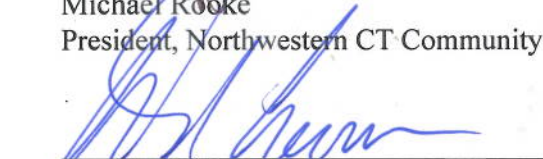
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Comparison Chart:

**Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP)
& Southern Connecticut State University RN-BSN Program**

| SCSU: RN to BSN PROGRAM | | | Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP) | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------|----------------------|
| Course Number | Course Title | Credits | Course Number | Course Title | Credits accepted in Transfer | Nursing Credits taken in Articulation | Credits to Earn | Total Credits |
| | General Education Requirements | | | | | | | |
| ENG 112 | Writing Arguments (Written Communication LEP) | 3 | ENG*101 | English Composition^ | 3 | | | |
| CHE 101 | General Chemistry (Nat World II LEP) | 4 | CHE*111 | Concepts of Chemistry^ | | | 4 | |
| MATH | 100, 102, 108 or higher | 3 | | MAT*136-139, 142^ | 3 | | | |
| PSY 100 | Introduction to Psychology (Mind & Body LEP) | 3 | PSY*111 | General Psychology^ | 3 | | | |
| MAT 107 | Elementary Statistics (Quantitative Reasoning LEP) | 3 | | MAT*165, 167 or 168^ | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Critical Thinking | 3 | SOC*101 | Principles of Sociology | 3 | | | |
| LEP | Multilingual Communication | 3 | | Language at a 201 Level | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Technological Fluency | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | American Experience | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Creative Drive | 3 | | Humanities or Fine Arts elective, See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Cultural Expression | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Global Awareness | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Natural World I | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Conflict & Consensus | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Time & Place | 3 | | See Attached List | | | 3 | |
| LEP | Tier 3: Connections | 3 | | | | | 3 | |
| | Related Requirements | | | | | | | |
| PSY 219 | Life Span Development | 3 | PSY*201 | Life Span Development^ | 3 | | | |
| BIO 110 | Human Biology I | 4 | BIO*211 | Anatomy & Physiology I^ | 4 | | | |
| BIO 111 | Human Biology II | 4 | BIO*212 | Anatomy & Physiology II^ | 4 | | | |
| BIO 120 | Basic Microbiology | 4 | BIO*235 | Microbiology^ | 4 | | | |
| | Major Requirements | | | | | | | |
| | CLN Articulation Credits | 33 | NUR* | Transfer Nursing Credits | | 33 | | |
| NUR 351 | Nursing Research | 2 | | | | | 2 | |
| NUR 457 | Advanced Clinical Concepts: Selected Health Issues for Practice | 3 | | | | | 3 | |
| NUR 459 | Leadership & Management in Contemporary Nursing Practice | 4 | | | | | 4 | |
| NUR 460 | Advanced Concepts in Nursing 1 | 3 | | | | | 3 | |
| NUR 462 | Health Assessment of RN/BSN Students | 4 | | | | | 4 | |
| NUR 463 | Concepts of Community Health Nursing for RN/BSN Students | 4 | | | | | 4 | |
| NUR 467 | Care Across the Continuum for Special Populations | 3 | | | | | 3 | |
| | Total Credits | 120 | | Total Credits | 27 | 33 | 60 | 120 |

Course equivalencies listed on this chart are subject to change without notice.

Courses noted in red can be taken at the CT Community Colleges and can be used to meet a general education requirement at SCSU.

There may be other CT Community College courses that meet the general education requirements at SCSU. Please consult your advisor at SCSU for additional information.

Comparison Chart:

Connecticut Community College Nursing Program (CT-CCNP) & Southern Connecticut State University RN-BSN Program*

Summary of Credits:

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| SCSU Nursing Credits | 23 |
| CLN Transfer Nursing Credits | 33 |
| Gen. Education Credits Accepted in Transfer | 27 |
| <u>Additional LEP/Gen. Education Credits to Earn</u> | <u>37</u> |
| Total Credits | 120 |

SCSU Residency Requirement **30**

^Each of these courses will only be transferable to the SCSU RN-BSN Program if a grade of "C+" or 2.3 QPA is earned in that particular class.

**Students who complete the CT-CCNP and already have obtained a BA or BS in another field can take the 23 NUR credits at SCSU and an additional 7 elective credits to obtain their BSN.*