

**TRINITY COLLEGE OF NURSING
& HEALTH SCIENCES
AND
SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Articulation Agreement

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences of Rock Island, IL, and **Sauk Valley Community College** of Dixon, IL believe that a cooperative program benefits students by allowing students an opportunity to earn degrees from both institutions.

This agreement defines the Dual Degree Program Articulation Agreement between Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences and Sauk Valley Community College for qualified students seeking to complete their Associates degree from Sauk Valley Community College and the Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BSHS) curriculum at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences.

Agreement

The Articulation Agreement is designed to provide participating students with a specific pathway to meet degree requirements established by Sauk Valley Community College for an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in ADN or Radiologic Technology and a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences.

It is agreed and understood that each institution has the right and responsibility to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes, if any, will be communicated to the other institution as they occur through the office of each institution responsible for implementing this dual degree program.

At the request of either institution, a meeting or conference will be held to resolve any problems and monitor progress under the terms of this Articulation Agreement.

Under the terms of this agreement, neither institution is obligated to make any payments of any kind to the other institution.

Academic Requirements

1. The student must earn an AAS degree from a professionally accredited health sciences program
2. The student must provide state licensure or certification in health sciences profession
3. Upon acceptance into the BSHS program at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences, 75 semester hours may be transferred toward the completion of the BSHS.
4. Students must complete the required 15 semester hours of General Education courses prior to or during the BSHS curriculum.
For approved General Education courses refer to Appendix A.
5. Upon successful completion of the BSHS program at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences, 30 credit hours will be awarded towards the Bachelor of Science in

Health Sciences.

For approved BSHS credits refer to Appendix A.

6. Students who successfully complete the BSHS program at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences will be eligible to participate in commencement.

Accreditation

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences and Sauk Valley Community College will ensure that they maintain accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission regional accrediting body and ensure all operations will be in keeping with accreditation requirements of the two institutions.

Duration and Termination of Agreement

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences and Sauk Valley Community College agree that this Agreement shall be in force the date of the signing of the Agreement and shall remain in force until modified or terminated in writing, following reasonable and mutual discussion by representatives of the two institutions.

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences and Sauk Valley Community College reserve the right to revise or eliminate programs and courses. Such changes will be communicated to the appropriate parties. This articulation agreement will be reviewed annually to ensure currency with each party's degree requirements and may be modified by attachment.

Notification of Equal Educational Opportunities

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences is committed to providing equal employment and promotion opportunities to all individuals regardless of race, color, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, religion, Veteran Status, or disability. Applicants for admissions and in employment together with sources of referral are hereby notified that this Institution does not discriminate among applicants or employees based upon their status of race, color, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, or disability in any aspect of the employment relationship from hiring through termination. Any person having inquiries concerning Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences' compliance with the regulations implementing Title IV, Title IX, or Section 504 is directed to contact the Director of Student Services and External Relations or Chancellor. Inquiries also may be addressed to the Acting Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Candice Jackson, U.S. Department of Education at 1-800-421-3481.

Sauk Valley Community College is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to an effective policy of non-discrimination and equal opportunity in all employee and student relations. Except to the extent and subject to the exemptions permitted by law, no qualified employee or student shall be excluded from employment or educational opportunity, be denied benefits, or be subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation (as that term is defined in the Illinois Human Rights Act), marital status, handicap, military status, or unfavorable discharge from military service classified as Re-3 or the equivalent thereof. Violations of this policy on the basis of sex is also governed by the Sexual Misconduct Procedures.

Liaisons

To facilitate a student's participation in the program, Sauk Valley Community College and Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences have designated liaisons:

Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences:
Stephanie Tieso, MLS Program Director/BSHS Program
Coordinator

Sauk Valley Community College:
Valerie Kern-Lyons, Coordinator of Counseling & Advising

Academic Dean
Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Date

Dr David Hellmich
President
Sauk Valley Community College

Date

Appendix A

FIRST YEAR		
FALL SEMESTER: 16 Weeks		
Course #:	Description:	Semester Hours
	*English Comp 2	3
	*Ethics	3
BHS 300	Education Principles in Health Care	3
BHS 301	Health Care Delivery Systems	3
Total Semester Hours		12
SPRING SEMESTER: 16 Weeks		
	*Humanities Elective	3
	*Statistics	3
BHS 302	Health Care Leadership	3
BHS 303	Managerial Communication	3
Total Semester Hours		12
SECOND YEAR		
FALL SEMESTER: 16 Weeks		
	*Humanities Elective	3
BHS 410	Health Science Research	3
BHS 411	Ethics for Health Care Professionals	4
BHS 412	Accounting Basics for Health Professionals	3
Total Semester Hours		13
SPRING SEMESTER: 16 Weeks		
BHS 419	Clinical Internship	4-6
BHS 420	Best Practices in Health Sciences	4
Total Semester Hours		8-10