

*TRANSFER ARTICULATION
AGREEMENT*

Quinsigamond Community College

and

Fitchburg State University

Healthcare – Practical Nursing (HCPN) and
Practical Nursing Certificate (LP and LPE)

to

LPN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Quinsigamond Community College and Fitchburg State University agree to enter into a transfer agreement for the following academic disciplines/programs:

***Healthcare- Practical Nursing (HCPN) and Practical Nursing Certificate (LP and LPE)
to
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Purpose

This agreement is set forth by Quinsigamond Community College and Fitchburg State University in an effort to delineate a transfer student's best options in course selection. This document signifies the ongoing commitment between these institutions of higher learning to promote coordinated curricula of the highest quality. As such, it bears with it the commitment of our respective faculty, and administrative staff to strengthen these ties and address the needs of our students in a mutually beneficial manner.

Terms and Conditions of Transfer

- A. Students graduating from Quinsigamond Community College's Healthcare-Practical Nursing (HCPN) and Practical Nursing (LP and LPE) Certificate programs, with a qualitative grade point average of 83 (B or 3.0) or greater, and upon completion of Fitchburg State University's admissions requirements are guaranteed admission on a space available basis.
- B. In addition, up to 75 credits from the Healthcare-Practical Nursing and Practical Nursing will be accepted and applied to Fitchburg State University's LPN to BS in Nursing program with the following conditions.

The Fitchburg State University LPN to BS in Nursing major requires individual grades of 77-79 (C+ or 2.3) or higher in the following QCC coursework for acceptance:

- BIO 111 Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIO 112 Anatomy & Physiology II
- BIO 241 Nutrition
- BIO 232 Medical Microbiology
- CHM 101 Introduction to the Chemistry of Living Systems

All other coursework from the sending program at Quinsigamond Community College must be completed with grades of C- or higher in order to transfer.

- C. Graduates of QCC's Practical Nursing (LP and LPE) Certificate programs are exempt from completing the National League for Nursing - Nursing Acceleration Challenge Exams (NACE). These applicants are also not required to submit essays or resumes.
- D. The admissions requirements for Fitchburg State University's LPN to BS in Nursing program will be as follows:

1. Grade point average of 83 (B or 3.0) or higher
 2. Current LPN license in good standing
 3. Two letters of recommendation: one from a current employer and one from LPN program faculty on professional letterhead
 4. Completed online application
 5. Official transcripts from all schools attended
- E. Quinsigamond students will be advised to complete the prescribed coursework, and electives as listed in the attached articulation table. Failure to follow these recommendations will result in additional coursework requirements and longer time to degree completion at Fitchburg State.
- F. Acknowledging that students may, and do transfer from a wide variety of majors, this agreement does not prohibit transfer to or from other programs of study at either institution. This agreement suggests optimal transfer routes from Quinsigamond Community College to Fitchburg State University.

This agreement becomes effective July 1, 2023 and will remain in effect through July 1, 2026 with the provision that the terms specified herein will continue to apply to graduates who transfer from Quinsigamond Community College to Fitchburg State University in the day division, within one year of the expiration of this agreement. The faculty at both institutions agrees to meet annually to review the agreement and discuss modifications.

For: Quinsigamond Community College

For: Fitchburg State University

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Quinsigamond Community College and Fitchburg State University
QCC Healthcare - Practical Nursing Program Articulation Table*

QCC Course Title	Course #	Cr	FSU Course Title	Course #	Cr
Practical Nursing II: Medical/Surgical/Mental Health/Leadership Nursing and Practical Nursing III: Maternal/Newborn/Pediatric (or any other combination of PNP courses)	PNP 235 and PNP 240	21	Foundations of Nursing, Medical Surgical Nursing I, Maternal-Newborn Nursing and Pediatric Nursing	NURS 2700, NURS 2900, NURS 3300 NURS 3900	18
Anatomy & Physiology I	BIO 111	4	Anatomy & Physiology I, PL	BIOL 1200	4
Composition I	ENG 101	3	Writing I, W	ENGL 1100	3
Statistics	MAT 122	3	Applied Statistics I, QR	MATH 1700	3
Introduction to Psychology	PSY 101	3	Introduction to Psychological Science, PL	PSY 1100	3
Anatomy & Physiology II	BIO 112	4	Anatomy & Physiology II, PL	BIOL 1300	4
Composition II	ENG 102	3	Writing II, WIL	ENGL 1200	3
Survey of Life Span Development	PSY 121	3	Lifespan Development, DP, PL	PSY 1200	3
History Elective		3	General Education Elective		3
Humanities Elective		3	General Education Elective		3
Medical Microbiology	BIO 232	4	Medical Microbiology, AIA	BIOL 2700	4
Introductory Sociology	SOC 101	3	Introduction to Sociology, CV, DP	SOC 1100	3
Humanities Elective		3	General Education Elective		3
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Additional courses needed to enter the 2nd year of LPN to BSN program					
Introduction to the Chemistry of Living Systems	CHM 101	4	Chemistry for Health Sciences, SI	CHEM 1200	4
Nutrition	BIO 241	3	Nutrition, PW	BIOL 1650	3
Total Credits		70			67

*Students who complete an associate's degree with these courses have fulfilled their general education requirements for Fitchburg State.

Timeline

June	QCC's Practical Nursing Certificate graduation
August	QCC's Healthcare – Practical Nursing Associate in Science graduation
Mid- October	NCLEX-PN exam
Fall or Spring Semester	Take CHM 101 Introduction to the Chemistry of Living Systems and BIO 241 Nutrition at QCC
February 1	Priority Date to apply to Fitchburg State University
September	Fitchburg State University LPN to BS in Nursing begins

Coursework left to complete at Fitchburg State University

FSU Course Title	Credits
NURS 2300 Health Assessment	3
NURS 2400 Transition from LPN to Professional Nursing	1
NURS 2500 Pathopharmacology I	3
NURS 2600 Pathopharmacology II	3
NURS 3101 LPN: Nursing Care of the Medical Surgical Patient	4
NURS 3200 Mental Health Nursing	5
NURS 3501 LPN: Nursing Care of the Family	5
NURS 3710 Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	3
NURS 4400 Community Health Nursing (CV)	5
NURS 4800 Selective Practicum (AIA)	9
NURS 4850 Nursing Leadership & Management	3
Free Electives	6
Choose one of following four Philosophy courses:	3
PHIL 2001 Medical Ethics or	
PHIL 2500 Contemporary Ethical Problems or	
PHIL 2600 - Philosophy of Human Nature or	
PHIL 3610 - World Religions	
Total Credits	53