

Articulation Agreement

Bachelor of Arts in Public Health Degree Completion Program at Regis College

Between

Regis College
235 Wellesley Street
Weston, MA 02493

And

Northern Essex Community College
45 Franklin Street
Lawrence, MA 01840

Associate Degree in General Studies: Health Specialization-Medical Assistant Certificate

Fall 2016

This Articulation Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between Regis College ("Regis") and Northern Essex Community College ("NECC"). Regis and NECC hereby agree as follows:

I. Transfer Admissions to Regis

- A. This Agreement establishes standards for admissions for NECC students who are seeking to transfer into the Regis Bachelor of Arts in Public Health degree completion program to be provided in the city of Lawrence, MA ("Regis North").
- B. Regis will admit NECC students who have:
 - 1. Earned a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.7 (on a 4.0 scale) at NECC, and;
 - 11. Successfully completed all requirements for an Associate's Degree in General Studies from NECC with a Medical Assistant Certificate.

II. Transfer Credit

- A. Regis will award transfer credit to students for college-level courses successfully completed at NECC towards an Associate's Degree.
- B. Regis will not award transfer credit for non-credit or remedial courses. Regis has sole discretion in determining which courses/credits will not transfer in this manner.
- C. Exhibit A, attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference, provides a listing of courses students are expected to have taken at NECC to earn their Associate's Degree and the courses students must take at Regis to earn their Bachelor's Degrees in Public Health.

III. Academic Quality

It is agreed and understood that each party has the right and responsibility to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards in order to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes, if any, will be communicated in writing between the parties as they occur. NECC and Regis will work together in good faith to resolve any doubts or concerns regarding academic quality pursuant to this Agreement.

II. Term and Termination

A. This Agreement becomes effective as of the date of the signatures of both parties and is valid for ten (10) years from that date. This Agreement may be amended by written mutual agreement and may be terminated by either party with six (6) months' written notice to the other party.

B. Either party, with a minimum of six (6) months written notice, may terminate this Agreement. At the time of termination, where an NECC student has been admitted to Regis or where NECC has notified Regis of a student's intent to transfer, the parties will continue to honor their commitments to such student pursuant to this Agreement.

III. Non-Discrimination

Both NECC and Regis subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity and will not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, religion, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation or physical disability. Regis and NECC shall abide by these principles in the administration of this Agreement, and neither party shall impose criteria for participation in this arrangement which would violate the principles of non-discrimination.

IV. Notices

All notices sent pursuant to this Agreement shall be sent via regular and/or electronic mail to the following, unless the parties specify otherwise in writing:

For Regis College

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V. Marketing and Intellectual Property

Any marketing materials or publications whether print or electronic, or other efforts used by either party pursuant to this Agreement to promote the system of guaranteed admissions must have the prior written approval from the other party before distribution or use. Neither party may use the other party's name, trademarks, or logos without prior written consent. The parties acknowledge that the respective intellectual property rights and interests of each party shall remain the exclusive property of each party.

VI. Indemnification


To the extent allowed by law, each party hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party from and against any and all losses, damages, liabilities and other expenses of every kind and nature, including reasonable attorney's fees, sustained by or incurred by the indemnified party as a result of any debts, actions, causes of action, claims, suits, liabilities, obligations or damages whatsoever arising out of the indemnifying party's actions pursuant to this Agreement.

VII. Miscellaneous

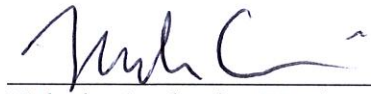
- A. No Agency Relationship: Nothing in this Agreement is intended to or shall be construed to constitute or establish an agency, employer/employee, franchise, joint venture or fiduciary relationship between the parties. Neither party shall have the right or authority or shall hold itself out to have the right or authority to bind the other party, nor shall either party be responsible for the acts or omissions of the other except as provided specifically to the contrary herein.
- B. Entire Agreement and Amendment: This Agreement supersedes all previous contracts or agreements between the parties and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be amended only in writing and executed by both parties.
- C. This is a stand-alone agreement.
- D. Severability: The invalidity of any provision of this Agreement will not affect the validity of any other provision or any other agreement, including the MOU between Regis and NECC.
- E. Assignment: This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other party.
- F. Captions: Captions in this Agreement are for convenience only.
- G. Governing Law: This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts without regard to its conflict of laws principles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties has caused its duly appointed representatives to execute this Agreement on its behalf.

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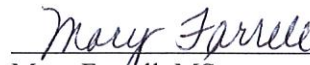
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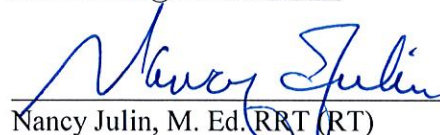
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Exhibit A: Curriculum Guide Bachelor of Arts in Public Health

In order to graduate from Regis College with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Health, students must have a minimum of 120 credits. The specific requirements for general education and the major are:

Year 1 & 2 at NECC			Medical Assistant Certificate imbedded in AA GS: Health Specialization		
	Course Name	Credits		Course Name	Credits
ENG101	English Composition I	3	HES 104	Medical Office Administration	3
ENG102	English Composition II	3	MAS 100	Intro to Medical Assisting	3
HES 102	Learning Strategies for Success in Healthcare	3	MAS 101	Medical Assisting I	3
HES 103	RICCS Preparing for Success in Healthcare	1	MAS 110	Medical Assisting II	3
HES 108	Intro to Health Care Services	3	MAS 120	Clinical Lab Procedures	3
HES 115	Medical Terminology	3	MAS 190	Medical Assisting Practicum	4
HES 201	Healthcare Law and Ethics	3			
Science Req 1	Required: BIO 121 Anatomy & Physiology I	4			
Science Req 2	Required BIO 122 Anatomy and Physiology II	4			
Behavioral Science 1	PSY 101 Introduction Psychology	3			
Behavioral Science 2	Recommended Any Sociology course or ANT 101 Cultural Anthropology	3			
Literature Elective	Literature Course	3			
Math Elective	Required MAT 125 Statistics	4			
History/Government Elective	History Course (HIS)	3			
Humanities Elective	Required PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy	3			
Free Elective	Required CHW 101 Introduction to Public Health	3			
Total Credits		49			19
Year 3 and 4 Courses that must be taken at Regis College					
Courses Required for Public Health					Credits
PBH 203	Introduction to Epidemiology				3
PBH 206	Introduction to Global Health				3
PBH 300	Health and The Environment				3
PBH 303	Public Health Policy & Advocacy				3
PBH 307	Health and Society				3
PBH 402	Developing a Public Health Program				3
PBH 409	Public Health Internship I				3
PBH 410	Public Health Internship II				3
PBH XXX	Current Topics in Public Health				3

EN 329	Writing for the Community	3
IPE 3XX	Research Methods	3
ID 3XX	Health Informatics	3
Total credits		36
Courses required for Regis Core		
RS309	Religious Hope and the Future	3
Additional courses needed to complete the Bachelor's Degree		
Electives	4-5 courses	13

NECC Required Credits	68
Regis Required Credits	39
Additional Required – from any accredited institution	13
TOTAL CREDITS	120

Non-Regis credits left: ____
 Regis credits left: ____
 Total: ____