AGREEMENT BETWEEN

Emmanuel College

&

Northern Essex Community College

Establishing a College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement at Northern Essex Community College.

In recognition of and coordination with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts efforts to increase the percentage of baccalaureate educated registered nurses practicing in the state, Emmanuel College and Northern Essex Community College hereby establish "College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement" leading to an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) and Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN).

• This agreement is formed to better serve the students of the two institutions, by streamlining the application process and establishing a clear pathway from the ADN to the BSN.

To reach these goals, the following Agreement is entered into by the Emmanuel College and Northern Essex Community College:

I. Program Summary

At the time of orientation to the ADN program at Northern Essex Community College, applicants can opt for their application to be shared with Emmanuel College for provisional admission to the RN-BSN program. Northern Essex Community College will provide Emmanuel College with directory information for the students who are interested in the RN to BSN Transfer Agreement.

Rationale

The College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement offers qualified students the ability to streamline the application process and establishes a clear and concrete pathway to baccalaureate completion. The agreement will allow Northern Essex Community College to attract students to the ADN program who are interested in baccalaureate completion as well as support enrollments in Emmanuel College's Nursing RN-BSN program.

II. Oversight

A. Northern Essex Community College will be responsible for clearly identifying the College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement during orientation. Additionally, Northern Essex Community College will be responsible for sharing directory information of interested students with Emmanuel College Admissions Department.

Last updated: 12/15/21

- B. Emmanuel College will be responsible for communicating directly with applicants throughout their ADN program and providing information about next steps and matriculation into the Nursing RN-BSN program.
- C. The two institutions will be in communication regarding changes to curriculum, admission requirements and deadlines and the mailing of acceptance letters.
- D. This agreement can be modified by mutual agreement.

III. Eligibility for College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement

Students who are admitted to the Northern Essex Community College ADN program and opt-in to the College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement are eligible for provisional admission to the RN-BSN program at Emmanuel College. Acceptance to the RN-BSN program is contingent upon the following:

- A. Successful completion of the Northern Essex Community College ADN program as evidenced by an official transcript reflecting a conferred ADN degree
- B. Current valid Massachusetts RN license

IV. Advising and Enrollment

- A. Information about the College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement option should be made available to prospective ADN students via the Northern Essex Community College website and other promotional materials.
- B. Students will formally be admitted to Emmanuel College at the time of their admission to the RN-BSN program.
- C. Students must have a valid Massachusetts Registered Nurse license at the time of transfer to Emmanuel.
- D. Eligible students should matriculate into the RN-BSN program within two years of completion of the ADN. After such time the College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement will expire and students will have to initiate a new application if they wish to be considered for the RN-BSN program.
- E. Students will be clearly advised that they must successfully graduate from the ADN program, seek and receive licensure before they can enroll at Emmanuel College.

V. Implementation

College Partnership RN to BSN Joint Admission Agreement option shall be retroactively offered to all currently enrolled ADN students in good standing and will be discussed at orientation for all newly enrolled ADN students.

Last updated: 12/15/21

VI. Required Emmanuel College Courses:

A. Thirty-two (32) credits of Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Courses are required to be taken through Emmanuel College. If a student needs to complete a non-nursing requirement students are able to take the course at another college and transfer that course in.

VII. Transfer Courses

- A. Up to 96 transfer credits, including up to 40 nursing credits awarded for the Associate in Science Degree in Nursing from Northern Essex Community College are accepted.
- B. Courses with a final grade of C or higher can be transferred in regardless of the year the course was taken.

<u>Emmanuel</u>

3/23/22

Diane Shea, Ph.D., RN

Associate Dean and Professor of Nursing

3/23/22

Josef Kurtz, Ph.D.

Vice President of Academic Affairs and

Chief Academic Officer

Northern Essex Community College

Lane Glenn, PhD

President

Paul Beaudin, PhD

Vice President of Academic Affairs

Saul M Seaudin, Phil

Scott Lancaster, PhD

Dean, Division of Health Professions