

## Montcalm Community College (MCC)

### Articulation Agreement and Transfer Guide

This program is designed for Associate Degree and Diploma RNs who want to further their education. Students will build upon their prior nursing education and be equipped with the theory-based knowledge and skills to work in many of the new expanding fields of Nursing. Students will be prepared to lead health-care teams, coordinate and plan nursing care for a variety of clients, collaborate with other health professionals, and make confident, independent decisions. Job opportunities are fast-growing and diverse. The BSN program also serves as the foundation for graduate nursing studies. Students will earn both the BSN and MSN degrees on completion of the MSN coursework. The program is fully accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

**Communication Competency Course Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
COMM 105 or COMM 121 or COMM 221	Interpersonal Communication or Fundamentals of Public Speaking or Small Group Decision Making	3	COMM 220 or COMM 210	Interpersonal Communication or Speech	3
ENGL 150	English 1	3	ENGL 100	Freshman English	3
ENGL 250	English 2	3	ENGL 101	Freshman English 2	3
ENGL 321	Advanced Composition	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Quantitative Literacy Course Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 115 or MATH 117	Intermediate Algebra or Contemporary Math	3 or 4	MATH 104 or MATH 102	Intermediate Algebra or Mathematical Investigations	4

**Natural Sciences Competency Course Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
BIOL 205 and BIOL 2ZL	Human Anatomy-Physiology and BIOL Gen Crd 200 level	8	BIOL 202 and BIOL 203	Anatomy & Physiology I and Anatomy & Physiology II	8

**Culture Competency Course Requirements – Minimum 9 credits from 2 different disciplines with 1 at 200 level or higher**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	FSU General Education - Culture Electives	6	Varies	Varies	6
PHIL 320	Biomedical Ethics	3	PHIL 222	Bioethics	3

**Self and Society Competency Course Requirements - Minimum 9 credits from 2 different disciplines with 1 at 200 level or higher**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
PSYC 150	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYC 120	General Psychology	3
PSYC 341 or ANTH 310	Child Psychology or North American Indians	3	PSYC 221 or ANTH 265	Child Psychology or Indian Cultures/North America	3
PLSC 121	American Gov 1 – People and Politics	3	POLI 240	American Political System	3

**Additional General Education Course Requirements**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	Elective	7	Varies	Varies	7

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Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses

**Major Requirements for RN - BSN bridgework**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
NURS AAS	ADN or Diploma RN Program	40	Varies	Varies	Varies
NURS 320	RN to BSN Skills Acquisition	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 324	Transition into Professional Nursing	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 310	Population Based Health Promotion	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 340	Community Nursing	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 440	Leadership in Nursing	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Core Requirements – 6 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
COHP 350	Statistics in Health Care	3	MATH 190	Elementary Statistics	3
COHP 450	Evidence-Based Health Practice	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

## Master of Science in Nursing Requirements – 37 Credits Required

### Nursing Core – 18 Credits Required

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
NURS 501	Introduction to Advanced Nursing Roles (Graduate Status)	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 511	Organizational and Systems Leadership	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 521	Health Care Systems, Policy and Advocacy	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 531	Critique of Evidence for Practice	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 541	Quality Improvement and Safety	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 551	Clinical Prevention and Population Health	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

### Integration of Knowledge – 10 Credits Required

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
NURS 711	Clinical Practicum Preparation 1	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 712	Clinical Practicum Preparation 2	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 791	Clinical Practicum 1	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 792	Clinical Practicum 2	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Concentrations – 9 Credits Required (advisor approval)** – choose from one of the three following concentrations

### Nursing Education Concentration – 9 Credits Required

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
NURS 601	Curriculum Design in Nursing Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 611	Teaching Theories and Methodologies in Nursing Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
NURS 621	Advanced Physical Assessment, Pathophysiology, and Pharmacotherapies	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

### Nursing Administration Concentration – 9 Credits Required

In addition to the required courses below, choose two course, 6 credits, from the Advanced Study certificates in: Lean Systems and Leadership, Performance Metrics, or Supply Chain Management and Lean Logistics. Students can select from a concentration and another course from a different concentration *or* can select two courses from the same concentration. Other MMBA courses may be substituted to best fit the needs of the individual student's professional career goals. These courses are used to calculate the major 3.00 GPA requirement.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
NURS 631	Leadership Role for Nurse Administrators	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

### Nursing Informatics Concentration – 9 Credits Required

In addition to the required courses below, choose two courses or a pair of courses from the MS in Information Security and Intelligence Advanced Study Certificates in: Business Intelligence, Incident Response, or Project Management. Other MISI courses may be substituted to best fit the needs of the individual student's professional career goals. These courses are used to calculate the major 3.00 GPA requirement.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
NURS 641	Leadership Role for Informatics Nurse Specialist	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Total Credits Required for Degree**

**147**

### Program Contact Information:

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College of Health Professions

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#### Ferris Online

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[www.ferris.edu/transfer](http://www.ferris.edu/transfer)

#### Delivery Locations

This degree is offered fully online.

## **Admission Requirements**

### **New Students**

- BSN Degree with a GPA of 3.00 Overall (on a 4.00 scale)
- Licensure as a Registered Nurse - MI Licensure or Eligibility
- Clinical Nursing Experience - Recommended 2 Years' Experience
- Writing Sample - APA Format Preferred on Specific Topic
- 3 Professional Letters of Reference
- Curriculum Vitae - Include Professional Achievements
- Official Transcripts of Undergraduate and Graduate Coursework
- Completed MSN Application Form
- International Students: Minimum TOEFL score of 550
- Conditional Admission may be granted in cases where selected admission criteria have not been demonstrated. The Graduate Program Coordinator will make recommendations of this to the Director of the School of Nursing, whose approval is required. If conditional admission is granted, the student must complete 9 semester hours of graduate work with a 3.00 GPA (on a 4.00 scale) or clear any deficiencies to qualify for regular admission.

### **Transfer Students**

- BSN Degree with a GPA of 3.00 Overall (on a 4.00 scale)
- Licensure as a Registered Nurse - MI Licensure or Eligibility
- Clinical Nursing Experience - Recommended 2 Years' Experience
- Writing Sample - APA Format Preferred on Specific Topic
- 3 Professional Letters of Reference
- Curriculum Vitae - Include Professional Achievements
- Official Transcripts of Undergraduate and Graduate Coursework
- Completed MSN Application Form
- International Students: Minimum TOEFL score of 550
- Conditional Admission may be granted in cases where selected admission criteria have not been demonstrated. The Graduate Program Coordinator will make recommendations of this to the Director of the School of Nursing, whose approval is required. If conditional admission is granted, the student must complete 9 semester hours of graduate work with a 3.00 GPA (on a 4.00 scale) or clear any deficiencies to qualify for regular admission.

## **Graduation Requirements**

In addition to meeting all the programmatic requirements, students must:

1. Maintain a 3.00 overall GPA in the program.
2. Earn no grade lower than a C.
3. Earn no more than two grades of C.
4. Earn no more than 6 credit hours of independent study/special topics.
5. Pass the professional portfolio portion of NURS 792 in order to pass the course.
6. Graduate from the program within five years from first enrollment in a graduate program. An extension may be granted in extenuating circumstances.
7. Earn a minimum of 70 percent of FSU credits to graduate. Students may transfer a maximum of 11 credits of appropriate graduate level coursework from an accredited college or university.

## **Advising Notes**

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

## **Transfer Student Orientation**

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

## **Reverse Transfer Agreement**

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

## **Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)**

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for selection of Directed Electives.

**Original Signed Articulation Agreement**

The original, signed document is kept on file in the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships. To obtain a copy of the original, signed document, contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships at 231/591-5983 or email your request to [transfercenter@ferris.edu](mailto:transfercenter@ferris.edu).

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

**Indemnification**

To the extent permitted by law, Ferris State University and the Community College agree to indemnify and hold one another harmless from any and all claims initiated by student participants, their parents, survivors, or agents, arising from any negligent acts or omission on the part of either institution or any of their employees.

**Articulation Agreement**

**Effective Dates: September 15, 2019 – September 15, 2022**

This Agreement shall commence as of September 15, 2019 and shall be for an initial term of three years. Minor updates to the agreement may be made during this time. This agreement may be renewed at the end of three years. Either party may terminate this agreement by providing the other party with written notice of the intent to terminate the agreement. The agreement shall terminate not less than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the termination notice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by both parties.

**Signatures**

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