



**Articulation Agreement Between Medical University of South Carolina
Through the College of Nursing RN – BSN Program and Aiken Technical College**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this document is to define the agreement between the Medical University of South Carolina, College of Nursing (MUSC, CON) and Aiken Technical College regarding acceptance of graduates of an Associate Degree in Nursing as students in the MUSC CON, RN-BSN program. It is agreed that those graduates who meet ALL of the below criteria will be accepted for full time enrollment only. Students accepted under this agreement will be billed at a 20% discount on the published academic charge for the program. All applicable fees will still apply at the published rate.

CRITERIA:

- I. The criteria that shall be met by students seeking to participate in the RN-BSN program are as follows:
 - a. The student will have received an Associate Degree in Nursing from an accredited program on the effective date of this Agreement and must apply for admission to the MUSC CON RN-BSN program fall semester.
 - b. The student will have taken all of the required courses listed in Appendix A (incorporated herein by this reference) with a grade of "C" or better.
 - c. The student's cumulative grade point ratio at Aiken Technical College must be 2.0 or higher.
 - d. The student will have successfully completed the NCLEX-RN and will possess and provide proof of an unencumbered SC or Compact RN license as well as proof of a current CPR certification in advance of the fall semester.
 - e. Each student at Aiken Technical College who intends to participate in this program must sign the "Intent to Participate" form as part of the Medical University of South Carolina application process.
 - f. Students opting to participate in this program will be required to apply and meet all admission requirements of the Medical University of South Carolina.



- II. Both Aiken Technical College and the Medical University of South Carolina agree to the following responsibilities:
 - a. This Agreement will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina.
 - b. Both parties may inform potential students about the program and this agreement. Examples of possible informational activities may include, but are not limited to, media announcements, brochures or flyers, and/or information sessions for students at College.
 - c. Aiken Technical College will identify an academic advisor whose responsibility will be to coordinate the implementation of this agreement. Once a student is accepted into the RN-BSN program, MUSC College of Nursing will assign them an advisor.
 - d. An individualized advising plan will be developed by the Medical University of South Carolina and Aiken Technical College for each student interested in the College of Nursing RN-BSN degree. Students participating in the program will use the *Medical University of South Carolina Bulletin* in effect at the time of their entry into the College of Nursing program planning with MUSC Student Services.
- III. The Medical University of South Carolina through its College of Nursing agrees to:
 - a. Accept all courses as outlined in Appendix A with a grade of "C" or better.
 - b. Enroll students into the degree plan for the RN-BSN program using the *Medical University of South Carolina Bulletin* in effect at the time of their entry into the College of Nursing. (Appendix A will be revised annually, or as necessary to reflect curriculum changes.)
- IV. Aiken Technical College agrees as follows:
 - a. It will no longer distribute Intent to Participate forms to students upon written receipt of notice of early termination of this agreement by the Medical University of South Carolina.
- V. MISCELLANEOUS:
 - a) **Effective Date and Term:** This Agreement goes into effect on *2018*, and will continue in effect until it is modified by mutual written consent or cancelled by either party with 30 days prior written notice. Any "Intent to Participate" form that is signed prior to modification or termination of this Agreement will be honored by the parties.



Signatures: The signatures of the authorized representatives identified below indicate agreement to the terms set forth herein.

[Signature]
President
The Medical University of South Carolina
Date: 6/18/18

[Signature]
President
Aiken Technical College
Date: 6/4/18

[Signature]
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
The Medical University of South Carolina
Date: 06/06/2018

[Signature]
Vice-President for Education & Training
Aiken Technical College
Date: _____

[Signature]
Dean
College of Nursing
Date: 06/25/18

[Signature]
Nursing Department Chair
Aiken Technical College / Department Chair
Date: 5/29/18

OFFICE OF THE
GENERAL COUNSEL
MUSC/MUNA

- APPROVED AS TO FORM -
By: [Signature]
Date: 5-15-18



Appendix A - Required Courses

(Should include a list of required courses to be taken at the institution - see example below)

MUSC Required Prerequisites	Credit Hrs	Aiken Technical College	Credit Hrs
English Composition	6sh	English 101 and English 102	6sh
Lifespan Human Growth & Development	3sh	Psychology 203	3sh
Human Anatomy	4sh	Biology 210	4sh
Human Physiology	4sh	Biology 211	4sh
Microbiology	4sh	Biology 225	4sh
Statistics	3sh	MAT 120	3sh
Science Elective	4sh	Science Elective of choice	4sh
Social Science & Humanities Electives	15sh	Social Science & Humanities Electives of choice	15sh
General Electives	17sh	General Electives of choice	17sh



Appendix B – Intent to Participate Form

By signing below, I _____ indicate my intent to participate in the MUSC RN-BSN program (hereinafter PROGRAM). I understand that I must meet the following student criteria in order to participate in the PROGRAM:

- a) The student will have received the Associate in Nursing Degree from College on or after _____.
- b) The student will have taken all of the required courses listed in Appendix A and incorporated herein by this reference.
- c) The student's cumulative grade point ratio at _____ must be 2.0 or higher.
- d) A grade of "C", or better, in all required courses.
- e) The student will have successfully completed the NCLEX-RN and will possess and provide proof of an unencumbered SC or Compact RN license as well as proof of a current CPR certification.
- f) Students opting to participate in this PROGRAM will be required to meet all the Medical University of South Carolina requirements in effect at the time of the student's enrollment.
- g) Students participating in the PROGRAM must apply to the Medical University of South Carolina.
- h) Formal application to Medical University of South Carolina is recommended at least one (1) full semester in advance of intended enrollment.
- i) I understand that even if I meet all of the academic criteria noted above, my background must be reviewed and accepted by the Medical University of South Carolina prior to admission being granted.
- j) By signing below, I agree that all of my academic and discipline records from College can be shared with the Medical University of South Carolina for the purpose of being advised about the PROGRAM. This Agreement to allow for the disclosure of my academic and discipline records will remain in effect until _____. I understand that I may receive a copy of any records disclosed upon my request.

Student Name (print): _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____