PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Agreement with Respect to Applying the
LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING
Vocational Diploma Program
Towards the
NURSING MAJOR
Associate of Science Degree Program

Between
SOUTHEAST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE
and
THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

I. Parties

The parties to this agreement are Southeast Technical Institute (STI) and The University of South Dakota (USD).

II. Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to:

A. have a signed articulation agreement that addresses the varying needs of students and complementary nature of the institutions’ programs;
B. provide increased educational opportunities for students from South Dakota and the region;
C. extend and clarify educational opportunities for students;
D. provide STI students who have completed the Licensed Practical Nursing diploma program an opportunity to earn an Associate of Science in Nursing.

III. Academic Program

A. Graduates of the Southeast Technical Institute Licensed Practical Nursing Program who enter The University of South Dakota Associate of Science Nursing program will receive 11 transfer credits towards the nursing major. The eleven credits will be awarded in the following manner:

1. Eight (8) credits in lieu of NURS 205 The Practice of Caring.

2. Three (3) credits for partial fulfillment of NURS 281 Caring for Persons Across the Lifespan.
B. Requirements to be completed at USD to earn an Associate of Science in Nursing are outlined below.

**Major requirements to be Completed: 24 credits**
- NURS 260 Caring for Persons with Health Promotion and Health Maintenance Needs (nine credits).
- NURS 281 Caring for Persons Across the Lifespan (five credits).
- NURS 283 Coordination of Care (one credit).
- NURS 285 Caring for Persons with Restorative/Rehabilitative Needs (nine credits).

**Required Support Courses: 10 credits**
- ANAT 142 Anatomy (three credits)
- MICR 230 Basic Microbiology (three credits)
- PHYG 210 Human Physiology (four credits)

**Required General Education Courses: 19 credits**
- CHEM 106 Chemistry Survey (four credits)
- ENGL 101 Composition (three credits)
- Humanities/Fine Arts (three credits)
- MATH 102 College Algebra (three credits)
- PSYC 101 General Psychology (three credits)
- SPCM 101 Fundamentals of Speech (three credits)

To fulfill the System General Education Requirements, all students must pass the System Information Literacy Examination. Technical institute graduates must take the examination the first semester of enrollment at the university.

**Total number of credits at USD: 53**
**Transfer credits from STI: 11 credits**
**Total credits required: 64**

*Transferable general education course credits can be completed at STI.

**Additional requirements:**

1. **The following conditions must be met before credit can be awarded.**
   - The student wishing transfer credit must:
     - A. have completed the Practical Nursing Program satisfactorily and received a diploma from Southeast Technical Institute;
     - B. earn a score at or above the national passing score on the LPN General Achievement Profile (GAP); and
     - C. pass the NCLEX-PN national licensure exam successfully.

2. In accordance with BOR policy 2:28, students must demonstrate satisfactory performance in writing, mathematics, reading and science reasoning as evidenced by receiving a passing score on all sections of the Collegiate Assessment of
Academic Proficiency (CAAP) exam. In accordance with the Regental policy, associate degree students must take the examination once they have passed 32 credit hours.

IV. Obligations

Both parties agree to confer with each other on a yearly basis regarding changes in curricula involved in this articulation agreement.

V. Modification

This agreement may be modified from time to time by the South Dakota Board of Regents and Southeast Technical Institute with approval by the South Dakota Board of Education. Modifications may not diminish the entitlements enjoyed by students who have already attended classes delivered under the terms of earlier versions of the agreement, except in rare instances in which retroactive implementation of modifications may be required to comply with accreditation standards or to conform to professional licensure requirements.

VI. Incorporation of terms in master agreement.

The parties have entered into the present agreement pursuant to the agreement of December 13, 2005 between the Sioux Falls Board of Education on behalf of Southeast Technical Institute and the South Dakota Board of Regents on behalf of Black Hills State University, Dakota State University, Northern State University, the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, South Dakota State University, and the University of South Dakota. This agreement shall be subject to all terms and conditions stated in the December 13, 2005 agreement.

VII. Effective Date of Agreement: Start date of the fall 2006 term at STI and USD. The agreement applies to students who graduated from STI since the inception of the Licensed Practical Nurse Diploma Program.

VIII. Acceptance of Agreement:

For The University of South Dakota:

Ms. June Larson
Chair, Department of Nursing

DATE: 4/21/06

Dr. John Williams
Dean, Division of Health Sciences

DATE: 4/24/06
Dr. Rodney Parry  
Vice President for Health Affairs  

James W. Abbott  
President, The University of South Dakota  

Dr. Robert T. Tad Perry  
Executive Director, South Dakota Board of Regents  

Mr. Harvey Jewett  
President, South Dakota Board of Regents

For Southeast Technical Institute:

Mrs. Debra Hunking  
Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction  

Jeffrey Holcomb  
Director, Southeast Technical Institute  

Dr. Pam Homan  
Superintendent, Sioux Falls Public School District  

Dr. Rick Melmer  
Secretary, South Dakota Department of Education  

Dr. Kelly Duncan-Clark  
President, South Dakota Board of Education
ADDENDUM

PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Agreement with Respect to Applying the

Licensed Practical Nursing (Diploma)
Associate of Applied Sciences Degree Program
Towards the

Nursing (ASN)
Associate of Science Degree Program

Between
Southeast Technical Institute
and
University of South Dakota

Acceptance of Agreement:

For Southeast Technical Institute:

Ms. Sheri Meister, President
Sioux Falls School District School Board

Date: 6/30/04