

**Program-To-Program Articulation Agreement
between
East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania
and
Northampton Community College**

**Associate Applied Science in Public Health
to Bachelor Science in Public Health**

WHEREAS, East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, located at 200 Prospect Street, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, 18301, an educational institution of the State System of Higher Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, (hereinafter called "ESU"), offers a Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health; and

WHEREAS Northampton Community College, located at 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18020 (hereinafter "NCC"), offers an Associate Applied Science in Public Health; and

WHEREAS, both ESU and NCC desire to facilitate the transfer of students from an Associate Applied Science in Public Health at NCC to the Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health program at ESU and avoid duplication of degree requirements where possible; and

WHEREAS, both ESU and NCC desire to establish this program-to-program whereby students who complete the requirements for the Associate Applied Science in Public Health at NCC and meet the admission requirements shall be guaranteed admission to ESU's Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health degree completion program on the campus of NCC; and

NOW THEREFORE, ESU and NCC officials confirm the following terms of this Agreement:

a. **Minimum Qualifications.** In addition to the other requirements set forth in this Agreement, to be eligible for transfer from NCC to ESU under this Agreement, a student must:

- 1) Graduate from NCC with a minimum quality point average ("GPA") of 2.50 (on a 4.0 scale);
- 2) Graduate from NCC with a minimum Major GPA of 2.50 (4.0 scale);
- 3) Submit an official final NCC transcript, at the student's own cost, indicating receipt of the Associate Applied Science in Public Health directly to the ESU Office of Admission prior to matriculating to ESU;
- 4) Enroll at ESU within one year of graduation from NCC;
- 5) Not attend another institution of higher education between the time they graduate from NCC and enroll at ESU;
- 6) Satisfy remaining pre-professional requirements during the next available scheduled summer session at ESU; and
- 7) Satisfy all conditions stated in this Agreement and all other regular ESU admission requirements.

b. **Admission of Transfer Student.** At the beginning of their final semester at NCC, the student must submit an application, with applicable application fee, for admission as a transfer student to ESU. Students are encouraged to apply well before the application deadline dates.

(Please refer to the University's most recent application for the applicable fall and spring transfer application deadline dates).

c. **Acceptance into Bachelor of Science Degree Program.** Upon formal admission to ESU, the student must submit appropriate advanced deposits that will be credited towards the first semester fees/tuition. The student will follow the curriculum requirements in effect at ESU at the time of the student's enrollment into ESU's Public Health program and will thereafter comply with any changes to the curriculum.

d. **ESU Student Registration:** After acceptance into ESU, the student must register for courses in accordance with ESU's procedures. A process for advising prospective transfer students will be developed by ESU's Department of Public Health.

e. **Transfer Credits.** ESU will accept a total of 62 credits from NCC which include credits in general education/pre-requisite, co-requisite and free electives, all with grades of "C" or better. Remedial/developmental courses are not transferable. The current accepted credits, as for the date of this Agreement, are detailed in Exhibit "A", attached hereto.

f. **ESU Transfer Advising.** Using "Exhibit A" as a guide, the ESU Public Health Department Chairperson or Academic Advisor will work with the ESU Registrar to ensure that all acceptable transfer course equivalencies listed in "Exhibit A" are applied towards the students ESU academic record.

g. **University Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree:** Students are expected to complete all stated University Graduation Requirements and all other General Education, Pre-Requisite, and Major Field requirements as described in ESU's catalog and Departmental policies in order to receive the Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health from the University.

h. **Academic Policies and Requirements.** While enrolled at either NCC or ESU, the student shall comply with each institution's academic policies and requirements.

i. **Discipline Policies.** While enrolled at either NCC or ESU, the student shall comply with each institution's discipline policies and requirements. However, the specific discipline policies/degree requirements in effect for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health as awarded by ESU will be as such exist at the time of the student's enrollment into the program.

j. **School Calendar.** ESU's calendar will control as to pertinent dates for registration, exams, semesters and school breaks.

k. **Promote and Publicize:** NCC agrees to publicize this Agreement to prospective students in admissions literature and as part of regular student recruitment, and to inform qualified students matriculating to NCC of the opportunity for admission to ESU under the terms of this Agreement.

l. **NCC Advisement:** NCC agrees to advise NCC students regarding which courses will transfer under this Agreement.

m. **Coordination of Agreement:** Each institution will designate a representative who will coordinate the terms of this Agreement between the two institutions.

n. **Review of Agreement:** Both ESU and NCC will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual consent. Each will keep the other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement.

O. Mutual Terms and Conditions:

1) Term of Agreement: The term of this Agreement will be for five (5) years from the date of final execution by the parties and their respective legal counsel. This agreement may not exceed a period of five (5) years from the date of final execution.

2) Termination of Agreement: Either institution may terminate this Agreement for any reason with ninety (90) days notice. However, students who are in their final semester at NCC and have already been accepted into ESU's Public Health Program will be afforded the opportunity to enter ESU's Bachelor of Science in Public Health Program in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

3) Nondiscrimination: The parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination based on Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in regard to sex, age, race, color, creed, national origin, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and other applicable laws, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as well as the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

4) Interpretation of the Agreement: The laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall govern the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement.

5) Modification of Agreement: This Agreement shall only be modified in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.

6) Relationship of Parties: The relationship between the parties to this Agreement to each other is that of independent contractors and shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.

7) Liability: Neither of the parties shall assume any liabilities to each other. As to liability to each other for death to persons, or damages to property, the parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this Agreement. This provision shall not be construed to limit the Commonwealth's rights, claims or defenses, which arise as a matter of law pursuant to any provisions of this Agreement. This provision shall not be construed to limit the sovereign immunity of the Commonwealth or of the State System of Higher Education or the University.

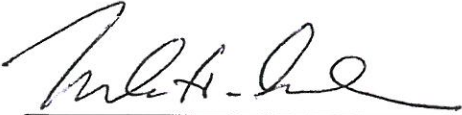
8) This Agreement shall not be enforceable in a court or in the Pennsylvania Board of Claims. In the event of a dispute between the parties, advice and direction will be offered by the Office of the Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education.

9) Entire Agreement: This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the parties. No other prior or contemporaneous oral or written understandings or promises exist in regards to this relationship.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date previously indicated.

FOR: The Northampton
Community College


Mark H. Erickson, Ph.D., President

Date 1/23/2020


Carolyn M. Bortz, Ph.D.,
Vice President, Academic Affairs

Date 1/22/20


Judith Rex, Ph.D.
Dean, Allied Health & Sciences

Date 1/22/20

Approved as to form and legality:

College Legal Counsel

Date _____

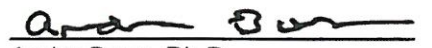
FOR: East Stroudsburg University of
Pennsylvania


Marcia Welsh, Ph.D., President

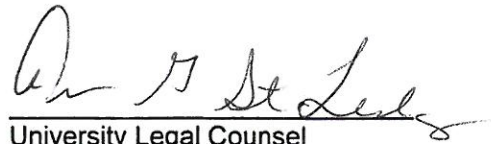
Date 11/22/19


Joanne Z. Bruno, J.D., Provost &
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date 11/22/19


Andra Basu, Ph.D.
Dean College of Arts and Sciences

Date 11/22/19


University Legal Counsel

Date 2/13/20

EXHIBIT A

Associate Applied Science in Public Health at the NCC to Bachelor of Science in Public Health at ESU

Obligations of ESU: Upon receiving an AAS Degree in Public Health from NCC, ESU accepts the following 60 credits towards the BS degree in Public Health. At this point, he/she will be able to major in Public Health and receive credit for the following courses:

General Education, Pre-Requisite, Co-Requisite Equivalencies			
Northampton Community College		East Stroudsburg University	
Course Number	Credit	Course Number	Credit
BIOS 204 Human Anatomy & Phys. I	4	BIOL 111 GE: Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOS 254 Human Anatomy & Phys. II	4	BIOL 112 GE: Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
CISC 101 Intro. to Computers	3	CPSC 100 GN: Personal Computers and their Uses	3
CMTH 102 Speech Communications	3	CMST 111 GN: Introduction to Communication	3
COLS 101 College Success	1	ELEC199 College Success	1
Elective	3	General Education Elective	3
ENGL 101 English I	3	ENGL 103 English Composition	3
ENGL 151L English II	3	ENGL 162 GN: Introduction to Literary Analysis & Interpretation	3
Math 150 Introduction to Statistics	3	MATH 110 GE: General Statistics	3
PHIL 202 Philosophy Ethics & Moral Problems	3	PHIL 231 GN: Ethics	3
PUBH 101 Introduction to Public Health	3	HLTH 210 Foundations of Health Sciences	3
PUBH 102 Introduction to Epidemiology	3	HLTH 261 Introduction to Epidemiology	3
PUBH 103 Social and Cultural Perspectives	3	HLTH 299 Departmental Elective	3
PUBH 201 Introduction to Global Health	3	HLTH 470 Global Public Health	3
PUBH 202 Public Health Across the Life Span	3	HLTH 299 Health Elective	3
PUBH 203 Public Health Communication	3	HLTH 299 Health Elective	3
PUBH 204 Community Health Practice	3	HLTH 230 Community Health	3
PUBH 205 Public Health Field Experience	5	HLTH 486 Field Experience and internship	5
PSYC 103 Introduction to Psychology	3	Psych 101 GN: Introduction to Psychology	3
SOCA 103 Principles of Sociology	3	SOC 111 GE: Introduction to Sociology	3
Total	62	Total	62

EXHIBIT A continued

Courses to be completed with ESU @NCC

B.S. in Public Health - Community Health Concentration			
First Semester		Second Semester	
HLTH 240 Health Emergencies	3	HLTH 271 Environmental Determinants of Health	3
HLTH 280 Fundamentals of Health Admin.	3	HLTH 370 Planning & Evaluation in Public Health Practice	3
HLTH 412 Computer Applications in Public Health	3	HLTH 430 Public Health Nutrition	3
HLTH 411 Public Health Education Strategies	3	HLTH 355 Drug Abuse Prevention	3
GE Group A: Fine Arts or Language	3	HLTH 485 Independent Study	1
Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
HLTH 386 Pre-practicum	3	HLTH 486 Internship	3
HLTH 440 Modifying health behavior	3	HLTH 415 Determinants of Disease	3
HLTH 401 Public Health Preparedness	3	HLTH 442 Human Sexuality & Reproductive Health	3
HLTH 380 Health Project & Grant Writing	3	GE Group C: Social Science	3
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B.S. in Public Health - Health Services Administration Concentration			
First Semester		Second Semester	
POLS 293 GE: Public Policy & Admin	3	HLTH 271 Environmental Determinants of Health	3
MGT 200 Principles of Management	3	HLTH 370 Planning & Evaluation in Public Health Practice	3
HLTH 382 Health Ethics & Law	3	HLTH 380 Health project and Grant development	3
HLTH 280 Fundamentals of Health Admin	3	HLTH 381 Health Econ & Finance	3
GE Group A: Fine Arts or Language	3	HLTH 485 Independent Study	1
Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
HLTH 386 Pre-practicum	3	HLTH 486 Internship	3
HLTH 440 Modifying Health behavior	3	HLTH 415 Determinants of Disease	3
MGT 352 Human Resources	3	MGT 211 Financial Accounting	3
HLTH 412 Computer Applications in Public Health	3	GE Group C: Social Science	3
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