

# **Guaranteed Admissions Agreement Jefferson College of Health Sciences and Virginia Community College System**

Jefferson College of Health Sciences (Jefferson) and the Virginia Community College System (VCCS), recognizing the need to facilitate the admission of transfer students from Virginia's community colleges to Jefferson as they pursue a baccalaureate degree in nursing, resolve to adopt a Guaranteed Admissions Agreement (GAA). The agreement provides a pathway for students to progress from the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree directly to the Registered Nurse -Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) program at Jefferson. VCCS students who do not meet the terms described herein may still apply and will be considered for admission, although admission is not guaranteed.

## **Section I: General Admission Requirements and Eligibility**

To be guaranteed admission under this GAA, a VCCS student must:

1. Earn a VCCS associate of applied science (AAS) degree in Nursing.
2. Provide evidence of a current and incumbent license to practice as a Registered Nurse (RN) in the U.S.

Students meeting the above criteria are referred to as "GAA students." GAA students will be given the same consideration as other students, including native Jefferson students, for registration, financial aid, and any other opportunities open to students with RN-BSN degree seeking standing. Students who graduated from AAS are admitted each FALL. Full-time and part-time tracks are available.

## **Section II: Program Requirements**

### **Summary of Coursework for RN-BSN**

- 54 credits    Awarded for current RN license and AAS degree in Nursing
- 29 credits    General education courses which may be transferred from VCCS (See Table 1)  
*Specific general education courses earned at AAS program may count towards the general education requirement.*
- 6 credits    General education to be completed at Jefferson  
*BIO 300 may be taken at Jefferson College or transferred from another institution. The required IPE courses (3 credits) must be taken at Jefferson.*
- 33 credits    RN-BSN courses to be completed at Jefferson (See Table 2)
- 122 credits    Total credit hours for BSN

No distinction will be made by Jefferson regarding college courses applicable to the transfer associate degree that are taken through dual enrollment arrangements with high schools. In addition, credit for courses completed through International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, CLEP, Cambridge, and Armed Services experience will be accepted according to stated policies for acceptance of credit, which can be found in the Jefferson catalog for the year the GAA student enters Jefferson.

## **Section III: Responsibilities of the VCCS**

1. Disseminate accurate information to VCCS nursing program students regarding the general conditions of this agreement. This agreement will be posted on the VCCS website as well as the Virginia Education Wizard.
2. VCCS colleges will provide academic advising services to assist VCCS students in choosing courses that will best prepare them for entering the RN-BSN program at Jefferson.
3. Communicate with Jefferson's representatives to discuss changes in VCCS programs, which might impact or alter this agreement.

**Section IV: Responsibilities of Jefferson**


1. Provide academic advising services to GAA students prior to transfer to assist these students in making a smooth transition from the community college to Jefferson.
2. Provide tracking data on performance of GAA students at Jefferson, including credits presented and accepted in transfer, Jefferson courses attempted and completed, cumulative GPA, major, graduation date from Jefferson, and comparisons with native students. The specific data elements and the timing of the report will be determined by Institutional Research staffs from the VCCS and Jefferson and provided by July 1 of each year.

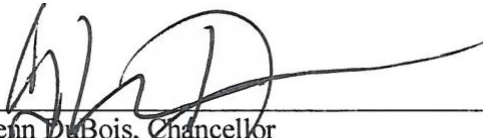
**Section V: Responsibilities of the Student**

1. Successfully complete the admission requirements for the RN-BSN degree program at Jefferson College. Refer to the Undergraduate Admissions section of the Jefferson College Academic Catalog or on the Jefferson College website (www.jchs.edu) for details.
2. Follow Jefferson's application and admission processes and timelines.

**Section VI: Review of the GAA**

1. The VCCS will designate officials who will be responsible for all aspects of the GAA at the VCCS. Jefferson College will designate individuals responsible for all aspects of the GAA at Jefferson.
  - a. Representing the VCCS will be the VCCS Vice Chancellor for Academic Services Research and the Director for Educational Policy, in consultation with the Articulation Subcommittee of the Academic and Student Affairs Council.
  - b. Representing Jefferson will be the Dean for Academic Affairs, the Chair of Nursing Department, and the Program Director, RN-BSN.
2. Any changes, additions, or deletions to this agreement shall be made only after consultation with an agreement among officials at both institutions. Changes will not adversely affect students already enrolled under the provisions of the existing GAA. A revised agreement will be signed by officials at both institutions.
3. Both parties are to communicate the conditions of the GAA to their respective clientele (external and internal constituents). Jefferson and the VCCS will review the GAA at a minimum of every three years or upon changes to the Program of Study and make adjustments or amendments as deemed appropriate to maintain the integrity of each institution as well as for the improvement of the transfer process and student articulation. Such changes will not adversely affect students already enrolled and covered by the provisions of the existing GAA.
4. The GAA will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice should be given at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination, and students who entered under the GAA may take advantage of its terms for two years after termination becomes effective.

  
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**Table 1: VCCS Equivalent /or Jefferson Core Curriculum Requirements**

29 credits of the Core Curriculum may be transferred from the VCCS, including specific general education courses taken as part of the AAS in Nursing program.

<b>Jefferson Core Curriculum</b>	<b>VCCS Course Equivalent</b>
<b>Humanities/Fine Arts (12 credits)</b>	
ENG 111	ENG 111
ENG 112	ENG 112
ENG Literature Elective	ENG 230, ENG 236, ENG 237, ENG 241, ENG 242, ENG 243, ENG 244, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 247, ENG 249, ENG 250, ENG 251, ENG 252, ENG 253, ENG 254, ENG 255, ENG 256, ENG 257, ENG 258, ENG 260, ENG 267, ENG 270, ENG 271, ENG 272, ENG 273, ENG 274, ENG 276, ENG 278
PHL 115	PHI 220, PHI 225, PHI 226
<b>Natural Sciences/Mathematics (6 credits)</b>	
Natural Sciences	BIO 101, BIO 102, BIO 110, BIO 120, BIO 141, BIO 142, BIO 146, BIO 149, BIO 150, BIO 151, BIO 152, CHM 101, CHM 102, CHM 111, CHM 112, CHM 121, CHM 122, CHM 125, ENV 121, ENV 122, NAS 101, NAS 102, NAS 105, NAS 120, NAS 125, NAS 130, NAS 131, NAS 132, NAS 145, NAS 150, NAS 161, NAS 162, NAS 171, NAS 172, NAS 177, NAS 185, PHY 101, PHY 102, PHY 121, PHY 122, PHY 130, PHY 131
Mathematics	MTH 126, MTH 150, MTH 151, MTH 152, MTH 158, MTH 163, MTH 164, MTH 166, MTH 168, MTH 170, MTH 173, MTH 174, MTH 175, MTH 176, MTH 177, MTH 178, MTH 250, MTH 270, MTH 271, MTH 272, MTH 273, MTH 274, MTH 275, MTH 277, MTH 279, MTH 285
MTH 265	MTH 146, MTH 157, MTH 240, MTH 241, MTH 242, MTH 243, MTH 244
<b>Social/Behavioral Science (3 credits)</b>	
Social/Behavioral Science	ECO 100, ECO 110, ECO 115, ECO 120, ECO 201, ECO 202, ECO 210, PLS 120, PLS 130, PLS 135, PLS 136, PLS 140, PLS 200, PLS 211, PLS 212, PLS 215, PLS 216, PLS 220, PLS 225, PLS 230, PLS 241, PLS 242, PLS 250, PLS 255, PSY 100, PSY 105, PSY 116, PSY 120, PSY 125, PSY 126, PSY 135, PSY 166, PSY 200, PSY 201, PSY 202, PSY 203, PSY 205, PSY 211, PSY 213, PSY 215, PSY 216, PSY 219, PSY 220, PSY 225, PSY 226, PSY 230, PSY 231, PSY 232, PSY 235, PSY 236, PSY 237, PSY 240, PSY 245, PSY 250, PSY 255, PSY 260, PSY 265, PSY 270, SSC 101, SSC 102, SSC 107, SSC 115, SSC 210, SOC 200, SOC 201, SOC 202, SOC 207, SOC 210,

	SOC 211, SOC 212, SOC 115, SOC 218, SOC 225, SOC 226, SOC 235, SOC 236, SOC 245, SOC 246, SOC 247, SOC 250, SOC 252, SOC 266, SOC 268
Psychology	PSY 100, PSY 105, PSY 116, PSY 120, PSY 125, PSY 126, PSY 135, PSY 166, PSY 200, PSY 201, PSY 202, PSY 203, PSY 205, PSY 211, PSY 213, PSY 215, PSY 216, PSY 219, PSY 220, PSY 225, PSY 226, PSY 230, PSY 231, PSY 232, PSY 235, PSY 236, PSY 237, PSY 240, PSY 245, PSY 250, PSY 255, PSY 260, PSY 265, PSY 270
<b>Social/Behavioral Science or Humanities Elective (6 credits)</b>	
Social/Behavioral Science	ECO 100, ECO 110, ECO 115, ECO 120, ECO 201, ECO 202, ECO 210, PLS 120, PLS 130, PLS 135, PLS 136, PLS 140, PLS 200, PLS 211, PLS 212, PLS 215, PLS 216, PLS 220, PLS 225, PLS 230, PLS 241, PLS 242, PLS 250, PLS 255, PSY 100, PSY 105, PSY 116, PSY 120, PSY 125, PSY 126, PSY 135, PSY 166, PSY 200, PSY 201, PSY 202, PSY 203, PSY 205, PSY 211, PSY 213, PSY 215, PSY 216, PSY 219, PSY 220, PSY 225, PSY 226, PSY 230, PSY 231, PSY 232, PSY 235, PSY 236, PSY 237, PSY 240, PSY 245, PSY 250, PSY 255, PSY 260, PSY 265, PSY 270, SSC 101, SSC 102, SSC 107, SSC 115, SSC 210, SOC 200, SOC 201, SOC 202, SOC 207, SOC 210, SOC 211, SOC 212, SOC 115, SOC 218, SOC 225, SOC 226, SOC 235, SOC 236, SOC 245, SOC 246, SOC 247, SOC 250, SOC 252, SOC 266, SOC 268
Humanities	ART 100, ART 101, ART 102, ART 103, ART 104, ART 105, ART 106, ART 109, ART 111, ART 112, ART 209, ART 211, ART 212, ART 213, MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 125, MUS 218, MUS 221, MUS 222, MUS 225, PHI 100, PHI 101, PHI 102, PHI 111, PHI 112, PHI 115, PHI 200, PHI 211, PHI 212, PHI 227, PHI 260, PHI 265, PHI 276, HIS 101, HIS 102, HIS 111, HIS 112, HIS 121, HIS 122, HIS 125, HIS 126, HIS 127, HIS 135, HIS 141, HIS 142, HIS 155, HIS 180, HIS 203, HIS 204, HIS 205, HIS 211, HIS 212, HIS 214, HIS 225, HIS 226, HIS 231, HIS 232, HIS 241, HIS 242, HIS 243, HIS 244, HIS 251, HIS 252, HIS 253, HIS 254, HIS 255, HIS 256, HIS 266, HIS 277, HIS 279, HIS 280, HIS 281, HIS 282, HUM 100, HUM 111, HUM 112, HUM 150, HUM 153, HUM 165, REL 100, REL 200, REL 210, REL 215, REL 216, REL 217, REL 225, REL 230, REL 231, REL 232, REL 233, REL 235, REL 237, REL 238, REL 240, REL 246, REL 247, REL 255, SPA 202, SPA 203, SPA 204, SPA 205, SPA 206, SPA 211, SPA 212, SPA 233, SPA 234, SPA 271
<b>Other Courses (2 credits)</b>	
GEN 100 IDS 255 Library Research Course	SDV 100 (Exempt for students with 30 completed hours of college credit) LBR 105

Table 2: Full-Time and Part-Time Jefferson Nursing Programs of Study (After completion of Core Requirements and BIO 300)

<b>Full-Time Jefferson Nursing Program of Study</b>	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>
<b><u>Spring Semester I</u></b>	
IPE 200 Fundamentals of Teamwork	<b>1</b>
NSG 300 Pharmacology (may challenge)	<b>3</b>
NSG 312 RN Nursing Concepts, Roles, and Issues	<b>3</b>
NSG 320 Informatics & Technology in Healthcare	<b>3</b>
NSG 334 RN Writing in Professional Nursing	<b>2</b>
<b><u>Fall Semester II</u></b>	
IPE 300 Interprofessional Collaboration	<b>1</b>
NSG 342 RN Health Assessment	<b>3</b>
NSG 410 Research Applications in Healthcare	<b>3</b>
NSG 475 RN Leadership & Health Policy in Nursing	<b>3</b>
NSG 475C RN Leadership & Health Policy Clinical	<b>2</b>
<b><u>Spring Semester III</u></b>	
IPE 400 Interprofessional Healthcare Experiences Lab	<b>1</b>
NSG 375 RN Gerontological Nursing	<b>3</b>
NSG 420 RN Community Health Nursing	<b>3</b>
NSG 422C RN Community Health Nursing Clinical	<b>2</b>
NSG 486 RN Capstone*	<b>3</b>
*Note: <b>Validation of Requisite Knowledge: 54</b> credits will be awarded to students who successfully complete NSG 486.	
<b>Part-Time Jefferson Nursing Program of Study</b>	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>
<b><u>Spring Semester I</u></b>	
NSG 312 RN Nursing Concepts, Roles, and Issues	<b>3</b>
NSG 300 Pharmacology (may challenge)	<b>3</b>
NSG 334 RN Writing in Professional Nursing	<b>2</b>
<b><u>Fall Semester II</u></b>	
IPE 200 Fundamentals of Teamwork	<b>1</b>
NSG 342 RN Health Assessment	<b>3</b>
NSG 320 Informatics & Technology in Healthcare	<b>3</b>
<b><u>Spring Semester III</u></b>	
IPE 300 Interprofessional Collaboration	<b>1</b>
NSG 410 Research Applications in Healthcare	<b>3</b>
NSG 375 RN Gerontological Nursing	<b>3</b>
<b><u>Fall Semester IV</u></b>	
IPE 400 Interprofessional Healthcare Experiences Lab	<b>1</b>
NSG 475 RN Leadership & Health Policy in Nursing	<b>3</b>
NSG 475C RN Leadership & Health Policy Clinical	<b>2</b>
<b><u>Spring Semester V</u></b>	
NSG 420 RN Community Health Nursing	<b>3</b>
NSG 422C RN Community Health Nursing Clinical	<b>2</b>
NSG 486 RN Capstone*	<b>3</b>
*Note: <b>Validation of Requisite Knowledge: 54</b> credits will be awarded to students who successfully complete NSG 486.	