

Memorandum of Agreement

Partnership for Coastal Carolina University RN-to-BSN Completion Program and Horry Georgetown Technical College Nursing Program

Purpose

This Memorandum of Agreement continues a partnership between Horry Georgetown Technical College and Coastal Carolina University for the maintenance of a residential 2+2 nursing program for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Coastal Carolina University. This partnership is designed to increase the higher education opportunities for graduates of Horry Georgetown Technical College's Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing program.

Coastal Carolina University (CCU) and Horry Georgetown Technical College (HGTC) agree to provide the opportunity for a seamless transition for HGTC AAS in Nursing registered nurse graduates to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

HGTC is a publicly supported comprehensive technical college, part of the SC Technical College System and is authorized to award associate degrees, diplomas and certificate degrees. Coastal Carolina University is a public, mid-sized, comprehensive liberal arts-oriented institution offering bachelor, master, and doctoral degrees. Both institutions are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

Coastal Carolina University agrees to:

- ① Select 16 students for acceptance to the 2+2 nursing program from among the pool of students accepted to CCU for freshmen admission. Students selected for the residential nursing program will have combined math and verbal SAT scores of no less than 1100 or ACT composite scores of no less than 22. A list of eligible students not initially offered acceptance to the 2+2 nursing program will be maintained by CCU until classes begin in case alternates are able to be offered acceptance.
 - The SAT/ACT eligibility numbers will be revised with mutual agreement.
- ① Provide university housing and other campus amenities for qualified 2+2 nursing program students
- ① Provide transportation to the HGTC Grand Strand Campus for required nursing courses for at least the first two semesters.
- ① Facilitate advising of HGTC students for a seamless transfer of courses to Coastal Carolina University. The University will provide staff for collaboration in order to advise HGTC students prior to transfer to Coastal Carolina University.

- ⌚ Coastal Carolina University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin, age, religion, disability, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, or pregnancy in educational programs and activities as required by Title VII and Title IX. Protection from retaliation is also covered under Title IX. As outlined in the Violence Against Women Act, Coastal Carolina University prohibits the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. If a Student makes a report to The Agency, believing he or she has experienced or witnessed discrimination including sexual harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, the Agency must report such incidents to the Title IX Coordinator.

Reports can be made to the Title IX Coordinator by:

Phone: 843-333-6229

Email: titleix@coastal.edu

www.coastal.edu/titleix

- ⌚ In order to obtain records that contain personally identifiable information about a student who is enrolled in an educational institution, the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act [34 Code of Federal Regulations Part 99.33 (a)(1)] requires that the party receiving the information agree not to disclose that information to any other party without the prior consent of the personally identified student.

HGTC agrees to:

- ⌚ Provide coursework for the completion of the associate in applied science in nursing with student advisement for transfer coursework.
- ⌚ Accept a minimum of 16 students selected by CCU, without an additional application process, to HGTC. HGTC will notify CCU if additional students can be accepted.
- ⌚ Make every effort to place 2+2 nursing students in general education courses at the Conway Campus
- ⌚ Make every effort to place the 2+2 nursing students together in a clinical rotation for the first semester at Conway Hospital.
- ⌚ Assist with marketing and recruiting of associate degree students and graduates for CCU's RN-to-BSN program.
- ⌚ Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, federal laws, and state laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, national origin, disability, sex or veteran status in educational programs and activities at Horry Georgetown Technical College. As outlined in the Violence Against Women Act, Horry Georgetown Technical College prohibits the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and will provide students, faculty, and staff with necessary information regarding prevention, policies, procedures, and resources. Any student who believes he

or she has experienced or witnessed discrimination including sexual harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking are encouraged to report such incidents to the Title IX Coordinators. Reports can be made to the following Title IX Coordinators:

- Dr. Melissa Batten, Vice President for Student Affairs, 843-349-5228
- Ms. Jackie Snyder, Vice President of Human Resources, 843-349-5212
- Ms. Tara Lahnen, Assistant Director of Human Resources, 843-349-5213

HGTC and Coastal Carolina University both agree to:

- ⌚ Collaborate for joint utilization and/or scheduling of facilities, faculty and support services.
- ⌚ Review this Memorandum and amend as mutually agreed upon. At minimum, the Memorandum will commence in August, 2019 and be renewed every three years, if mutually acceptable.
- ⌚ Monitor and adapt, as needed to ensure successful implementation to meet the needs of Technical College transfers. The institutions will continue to coordinate for the purpose of curriculum alignment.

In order to be accepted for transfer admission to the RN-to-BSN Completion program, students must do the following:

1. Complete the HGTC AAS in Nursing degree as specified by this agreement.
2. Earn no less than the grade of C in any course
3. Meet with a Coastal Carolina University advisor before enrolling in University coursework. This is recommended prior to graduation from Horry Georgetown Technical College or as soon as possible following associate degree completion.
4. Successfully complete NCLEX-RN following graduation from HGTC and prior to beginning classes at CCU.
5. Meet all admission criteria for transfer admission.

AFFIRMED BY:

**COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
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