GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS AGREEMENT

between

LUZERNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

and

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

for

Associate in Applied Science in Nursing

to

Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing online

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 23rd day of January, 2018, between Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education and Luzerne County Community College.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual promises hereinafter expressed and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

INTRODUCTION

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania and Luzerne County Community College agree to establish this program-to-program guaranteed admissions agreement whereby students who complete the requirements for the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Nursing and meet the admission requirements as stated in this agreement may enter the fifth semester with at least full junior standing in Bloomsburg University’s Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) online Degree program. The purposes of this agreement are:

1. To demonstrate the establishment of a seamless Program to Program guaranteed admissions agreement that involves the participating community college and a 4-year Bachelor Degree granting institution.
2. To enable qualified graduates of the Luzerne County Community College A.A.S. in Nursing to build upon their education by earning a B.S.N. degree.
3. To enable Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania to attract a more diverse population of students to the B.S.N. online program.
4. To enable community college graduates to obtain a quality education at a low cost, and, in doing so, provide the Commonwealth with qualified nurses with a baccalaureate degree.
5. To ensure recognition of the continuity of academic progress and transferability of credits between two-year and four-year programs.

PROCEDURES

Luzerne County Community College (hereinafter referred to as “LCCC”) agrees to publicize this guaranteed admissions agreement to prospective students in LCCC admissions literature and as part of regular student recruitment, and inform qualified students matriculating at LCCC of the opportunity for admission to Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as Bloomsburg University) under the terms of this agreement.

The following items are the responsibility of students participating in the guaranteed admissions program:

1. Complete an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree in Nursing at LCCC with a GPA of 2.0 or greater.
2. At the time of application to Bloomsburg University, provide official high school transcripts or GED and official transcripts of all college courses taken up to and including the previous semester. The application fee will be waived.
3. Upon receiving the associate degree, LCCC students are responsible for providing a final official transcript to Bloomsburg University.
4. Students must pay Bloomsburg University tuition and fees when completing Bloomsburg University courses.
5. Students must successfully pass the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX) prior to beginning courses and provide a copy of their official RN license to the Bloomsburg University admissions office.

The following items will apply to all matriculated students who have earned an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree in Nursing at LCCC:

1. A block transfer of 67 credits will be accepted from LCCC for graduates of the Nursing Associates Degree. Additional courses not used to satisfy requirements in the A.A.S. Nursing degree will be evaluated for transfer credit on a course-by-course basis. The student must complete 30 of their last 45 credits at Bloomsburg University to be granted the BSN. Credits earned at a college or institution which does not hold accreditation by a regional accrediting body will not transfer.
2. Bloomsburg University recognizes the A.A.S. degree may be certified and confirmed by the completion of community college courses, dual admission credits, transfer course
credits, life experience portfolio credits, developmental course credits, articulated
credits from Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, CLEP testing, AP courses,
military training credits and any other courses or learning elements that have been
accepted by the community college as meeting the requirements for their A.A.S. degree.

3. Bloomsburg University assumes the A.A.S. degree graduate has fulfilled thirty (30)
General Education Points (GEP’s) reflective of MyCore, Bloomsburg University’s General
Education program. Students will fulfill their remaining ten (10) GEP’s earned through
the required courses in the Bloomsburg University BSN program. These points will be
earned by the prescribed courses that have been identified and delivered in the
program to meet the graduation requirements for the BSN major.

4. Bloomsburg University will accept LCCC credits in accordance with the State System
Board of Governor’s Policy 1999-01 – Student Transfer Policy. The transfer of grades
below a “C” will be reviewed in the same manner as the grading policy native BU
students so long as the student has earned the Associates Degree with an overall GPA of
2.0.

5. Students who elect to change their major at Bloomsburg University will receive a new
transfer evaluation using the standard course-by-course method of evaluation.

CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT

1. Each institution will identify an appropriate contact person who will monitor compliance
with the terms of this agreement.

2. The term of this agreement shall be five (5) years commencing when all applicable
signatures are obtained.

3. Either institution may withdraw from the Agreement upon written notification of the
other, except that commitments already in effect for students who have applied to
Bloomsburg University will be honored. In the event of a substantial breach such as a
lack of response to requests for information or a lack of adequate participation, either
party may terminate this agreement.

4. The relationship of the parties to this contract shall not be construed to constitute a
partnership, joint venture, or any other relationship, other than that of independent
contractors.

5. Neither of the parties shall assume any liabilities as a result of this agreement. As to
liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the parties do not
waive any defense as a result of entering into this contract. This provision shall not be
construed to limit Bloomsburg University’s rights, claims or defenses, which arise as a
matter of law or pursuant to any provisions of this contract. This provision shall not be
construed to limit the sovereign immunity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of
the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education or Bloomsburg University. Nothing
herein shall be construed as a waiver of any immunities afforded LCCC by law or
otherwise.

6. This agreement represents the understanding between the parties at this time.
7. This agreement can be modified only in writing with the same formality as the original agreement.

8. This agreement shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

9. Luzerne County Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities. For a complete copy of the LCCC non-discrimination policy, go to http://portal.luzerne.edu/forms/dc.pdf. Inquiries may be directed to the Title IX Coordinator, John Sedlak, Dean of Human Resources, LCCC, 1333 South Prospect Street, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, 18634, 800-377-5222 extension 7234. Inquiries related to accessibility services for students may be directed to the Section 504 Coordinator, Rosana Reyes, Dean of Student Development and Enrollment Management, LCCC, 1333 South Prospect Street, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, 18634, 800-377-5222 extension 7423.

10. Bloomsburg University agrees that they are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

11. Any notices to be given hereunder by any Party to the other may be affected with by personal delivery in writing or by mail, registered or certified, postage prepaid with return receipt requested. Mailed notices shall be addressed to the Parties at the addresses set forth hereinafter, but each Party may change their address by written notice in accordance with this paragraph. Notices delivered personally shall be deemed communicated as of actual receipt; mailed notices shall be deemed communicated as of five (5) days after mailing.

   a. If to Bloomsburg University:

      Thomas Fletcher, VP for Strategic Enrollment Management and Dean of Extended Programs
      Bloomsburg University
      400 East 2nd Street, Bloomsburg, PA 17815

      Copy to:
      Dr. Noorzeen Chihota, D.Ed., CRNP
      Faculty Nursing
      Address as above

   b. If to LCCC:

      Luzerne County Community College
      1333 South Prospect Street
      Nanticoke PA 18634
      Attention: Rosana Reyes, Vice President of Enrollment Management & Student Development

      Copy to:
      Operations Analyst
      Same Luzerne County Community College address
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed pursuant to due and legal action authorizing the same to be done the date first written above.

For Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania:

[Signature]

Bashar Hanna, Ph.D, President

1/13/2018

Date

For Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

[Signature]

James Krause, Interim Provost & Senior Vice President

1/10/18

Date

For Luzerne County Community College:

[Signature]

President

[Signature]

Date

For Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education:

[Signature]

University Legal Counsel

1-22-18

Date

EFFECTIVE DATE

JAN 22, 2018

OF CONTRACT

RECEIVED

JAN 9, 2018

OFFICE OF COUNSEL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
## APPENDIX A

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**NURSING 305, 306, 451, 310, 314, 230, 431, 414**: These courses are required for RN credits.

**Total:** 82 credits

**Possible Total:** 82 credits

**Total Possible Transfer Credit:** 46 credits

**Block RN Credits:** 36 credits

**Required RN Credits:** 19 credits

**Required Clinical Sequence:** 9 credits

**Total:** 120 credits

**SPE210 (LCC) can be taken rather than SPE103 and will be accepted as COMMSTUD104 (BU) - a waiver will be issued.**