

**Articulation Agreement**  
**BETWEEN**  
**Park University**  
BS in Nursing  
**AND**  
**Northwest Missouri State University**  
Pre-Nursing

## OVERVIEW

**Northwest Missouri State University (Northwest)** and **Park University** hereby enter into an agreement for an articulated program. This agreement is based upon a mutual respect for the integrity of parallel academic programs in an effort to better serve students intending to pursue a career in nursing. This agreement outlines a 2+2 degree completion program and defines coursework to be completed at Northwest for a student intending to matriculate at Park University culminating in these students receiving a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Located in Maryville, Missouri, Northwest Missouri State University is a state-assisted, four-year regional university that offers undergraduate and graduate degrees. Northwest is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and holds several discipline-specific accreditations.

Park University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing is approved by the Missouri State Board of Nursing. The BSN pre-licensure program is pursuing initial accreditation through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

## PURPOSE

1. To facilitate the transition of students from Northwest to Park University.
2. To provide specific advisement for students of Northwest who intend to pursue professional study at Park University.
3. To encourage academic and administrative coordination between institutions, and the exchange of evaluative information on the outcomes of the program with the goal of continual improvement.
4. To provide qualified students the opportunity to complete the Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Park University.

## CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER

### Section 1: Provisions of the Agreement

1. Students completing the specified hours at Northwest must meet competitive admission requirements specified by Park University.
2. Students must comply with the rules and regulations as stated in the student handbook and catalog of Northwest while taking lower-division courses and that of Park University while taking the upper-division nursing courses.
3. Student financial aid is available from Northwest for this program. Financial aid directly from Park University will provide financial aid once they are approved to do so.
4. Students shall pay the appropriate tuition and fees to each institution for all coursework taken at that institution. Students are also obligated to adhere to all academic policies and guidelines of their current institution.
5. Park University will provide students from Northwest with the same liability insurance it provides to any other student in the program
6. Park University shall be responsible for establishing a policy for student health and safety.
7. Park University students from Northwest shall remain eligible for an updated Bearcat card, and to receive student discounts at Northwest on items as any other Northwest students.

## Section 2: Mutual Promotion of the Agreement

Northwest Missouri State University and Park University both agree to encourage qualified students to participate in this 2+2 degree completion program through advisement and in their recruitment activities and literature. The appropriate advisor at Northwest will make every effort to maintain a list of students actively pursuing the program with the intent to enroll in Park University Bachelor of Science Nursing Pre-Licensure program. Northwest will periodically inform the Office of Admissions at Park University of the current listing of students in the program.

## Section 3: Student Advisement

An appropriate faculty or staff member at Northwest shall be assigned and responsible to advise students regarding their academic preparation for admission to Park University and for their ultimate goal a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Park University will also provide advisement to help students complete that program and prepare for licensure examinations.

## Section 4: Northwest Program Requirements

The following coursework must be completed at Northwest Missouri State University as requirements towards a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Northwest Pre-Nursing Requirements		
Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
<b>Required:</b>		
INCO 77-101	University Seminar <i>*Required of all freshman students; required for transfer students with fewer than 15 credit hours</i>	1
ENGL 10-111	Composition I: Academic Literacies	3
ENGL 10-112	Composition II: Writing as Engagement	3
COM 29-102	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
ENGL 10-220	Introduction to Literature	3
MATH 17-118	College Algebra	3
PHIL 39-276	Bio-Medical Ethics	3
PSYC 08-103	General Psychology	3
BIOL 04-102/103 <i>OR</i> BIOL 04-106/107	General Biology & Lab <i>OR</i> Principles of Biology & Lab	4
CSIS 44-130	Computers and Information Technology	3
NUTR 47-234	Nutrition and Diet Behavior	2
MATH 17-114	General Statistics	3
PSYC 08-333	Developmental Psychology	3
BIOL 04-140	General Microbiology	4
BIOL 04-236	Anatomy Allied Health	4
BIOL 04-238	Physiology Allied Health	4
CHEM 24-114/115 <i>OR</i> CHEM 24-112/113	General Chemistry I & Lab <i>OR</i> General Chemistry & Lab	4

## Section 5: Park University Program Requirements

The following courses must be completed at Park University as part of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.

Park University Requirements		
Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
<b>Required:</b>		
EN306A	Professional Writing in the Discipline: Scientific & Tech Writing	3
LE300	Integrative and Interdisciplinary	3
NUR280	Introduction to Professional Nursing	3
NUR355	Pathophysiology for Clinicians'	3
NUR320	Concepts of Nursing Fundamentals	5
NUR338	Health and Physical Assessment	4
NUR330	Clinical Applications of Pharmacology	3
NUR356	Mental Health Nursing	4
NUR450	Evidence Based Practice	3
NUR335	Adult Health I	7
NUR435	Adult Health II	7
NUR410	Community Health	4
NUR357	Gerontology	3
NUR345	Acute and Chronic Conditions	4
NUR460	Nursing Leadership	3
NUR419	Women, Children, Families	6

### CONTINUATION AND TERMINATION

This agreement is in effect for the 2016-2017 Northwest undergraduate academic catalog year, but will be automatically renewed each year until one or both institutions decides to terminate the agreement. Every effort will be made to update this agreement on a yearly basis or as needed. This agreement shall be in force until either institution makes a decision in writing to terminate it. Upon consent of both parties, changes can be made to the curriculum without changing the tenets of this agreement. It is agreed that if terminated, both parties will honor the terms of the agreement until all students already admitted are given the opportunity to complete the program in a timely manner.

Any and all notices provided for herein shall be given in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, or email. Notice may also be delivered by hand or overnight mail through a common overnight carrier. Notices other than by hand delivery will be considered given as of the date of mailing or delivery by the sender to the overnight service.

No modifications or waiver of any provisions of this agreement shall be valid unless such modification is in writing and signed by both institutions. This agreement shall be subject to and governed by the laws of the State of Missouri and any action brought in any way arising out of this agreement shall be construed as if such invalid or unenforceable provisions were omitted. The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular provision of this agreement shall not affect the other provisions hereof, and this agreement shall be construed as if such invalid or unenforceable provisions were omitted. This agreement is binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties. Neither party may assign their respective rights or obligations pursuant to this agreement without written approval of either party. Nothing in this agreement shall prevent either party from entering to the same or similar transactions in any locale under the same or similar terms with any other party.

**Northwest Missouri State University**

**Pre-Nursing  
Years 1 & 2**

Degree Core Requirements	Cr.
<b>First Year- First Semester</b>	
10-111 Composition 1	3
17-118 College Algebra	3
08-103 General Psychology	3
04-102/103 General Biology/Lab OR 04-106/107 Principles of Biology/Lab	4
71-101 University Seminar	1
<b>First Year- Second Semester</b>	
10-112 Composition II	3
08-333 Developmental Psychology	3
24-112/113 General Chemistry & Lab OR 24-114/115 General Chemistry I /Lab	4
29-102 Fund. Of Oral Communication	3
<b>Second Year- First Semester</b>	
17-114 General Statistics	3
04-140 General Microbiology	4
04- 236 Anatomy Allied Health	4
39-376 Biomedical Ethics	3
<b>Second Year- Second Semester</b>	
04-238 Physiology Allied Health	4
10-220 Intro to Literature	3
47-234 Nutrition and Diet Behavior	3
44-130 Computers and Information Tech	3
<b>Total Credit Hours @ NWMSU</b>	<b>54</b>

**2016-2017**

*Beginning Spring 2017*

\* Recommend taking Fall semester year 1 at Park (program year 3)

\*\* Recommend taking Fall semester year 2 at Park (program year 4)

**Park University**

**BSN**

**Pre-Licensure**

**Years 3 & 4**

Liberal Education & Degree Core	Cr.
<b>To be taken year 3 or 4</b>	
*EN306A Professional Writing in the Discipline: Scientific & Tech Writing	3
**LE300 Integrative & Interdisciplinary	3
Elective	1
<b>Nursing Program</b>	
<b>Nursing - First Semester- Year 3</b>	
NUR280 Introduction to Professional Nursing	3
NUR355 Pathophysiology for Clinicians'	3
NUR320 Concepts of Nursing Fundamentals	5
NUR338 Health and Physical Assessment	4
<b>Nursing - Second Semester- Year 3</b>	
NUR330 Clinical Applications of Pharmacology	3
NUR356 Mental Health Nursing	4
NUR450 Evidence Based Practice	3
NUR335 Adult Health I	7
<b>Nursing - Third Semester- Year 4</b>	
NUR435 Adult Health II	7
NUR410 Community Health	4
NUR357 Gerontology	3
<b>Nursing - Fourth Semester- Year 4</b>	
NUR345 Acute and Chronic Conditions	4
NUR460 Nursing Leadership	3
NUR419 Women, Children, Families	6
<b>Total Credits @ Park</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Total Credits Required</b>	<b>120</b>

Up to 75 credits from NWMSU may be applied towards Graduation requirements at Park University. Residency requirement of 30 hrs. at Park w/ 15 hrs. in major core.