

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

between

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

and the

SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES OF SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE

for the

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN HUMAN SERVICES PRACTITIONER

and the

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN HUMAN SERVICES

Fall 2015

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

and

SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES

The intent of this Agreement is to facilitate a smooth transfer and transition of qualified Associate Degree graduates from **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** into the Bachelor of Science degree program in Human Services of the SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES of Springfield College hereafter referred to as "the School". Successful implementation of the Agreement is dependent upon communication of its contents to all involved participants and the assumption of responsibility by both institutions for such communications.

The School agrees to accept as juniors (fifth semester students) those **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** graduates who have successfully completed the courses outlined in the **HUMAN SERVICES PRACTITIONER** program and have earned the Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree. The School's transfer credit policy for students with an associate's degree from a program that requires a sequence of a minimum of twenty (20) semester hour credits in general education.

Graduates of **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**, who have earned degrees other than those that require a sequence of a minimum of twenty (20) semester hour credits in general education do not fall under the provisions of this agreement and will have their transcripts evaluated on a course by course basis.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services of the School is an academic program of Springfield College based in Springfield, Massachusetts. The baccalaureate degree program offers a unique collaborative learning environment that teaches students how to deliver effective human services and to improve the quality of life in organizations and communities.

I. Objectives of the Agreement

- 1. To provide specific information for transfer students who wish to pursue the Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services at the School.
- 2. To facilitate the smooth transfer and transition of students from **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** into the School.

II. Eligibility Criteria

- 1. This agreement is based upon the completion of an Associate's degree in the approved programs identified in the Agreement.
- 2. Students covered by this Agreement must have completed at least two years of documented community service (paid or volunteer) prior to admission. Such community services may be represented by activities associated with social service agencies, community organizations, faith-based institutions, community development projects, non-profit organizations, or other appropriate human service focused entities.
- 3. The collaborative learning format of the Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services is best suited for the adult learner. To that end, the School program best meets the needs of students 25 years and older.
- 4. Students covered by this Agreement must complete all undergraduate admissions requirements and gain admission to the School. A student's participation in the Agreement does not guarantee admission into Springfield College.

III. General Provisions

- 1. Students who matriculate into Springfield College with an associate's degree earned within the previous ten (10) years from a regionally accredited institution that required a sequence of a minimum of twenty (20) semester hour credits in general education will be considered to have fulfilled all Springfield College general education requirements, excluding the embedded competencies. Such students will receive a minimum of sixty (60) transfer credits from Springfield College. The transcripts of students who earned an associate's degrees prior to ten (10) years from their matriculation into Springfield College will be reviewed to determine if credits will be awarded.
- 2. **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, HUMAN SERVICES PRACTIONER** transfer students may be able to complete the requirements for the 120 credit baccalaureate degree in sixteen (16) months of four (4) semesters of satisfactory full-time study.
- 3. **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** agrees to promulgate information about and to advise interested students of the provisions for transfer to the School in this Agreement.
- 4. Annually, appropriate staff from both institutions will visit the other's campus and confer on matters appropriate to maintain and facilitate the terms of this Agreement.
- 5. The School agrees to annually submit to **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** a report on the academic progress of **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** transfer students covered by this Agreement.
- 6. It is the responsibility of the student to provide the School with a final, official **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** transcript listing all courses completed and including statement of degree, if applicable.

7. The School agrees to accept in transfer all credits taken as part of the **HUMAN SERVICES PRACTITIONER** program indicated in this Agreement except for developmental and remedial courses (0 level) in accordance with the College's transfer credit policy.

Note: NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE students who transfer to the School without an Associate Degree will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

IV. According to this Agreement, both NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE and the School will:

- 1. At the request of either party, review the contents or implementation of this Agreement.
- 2. Notify each other concerning any contemplated curricular changes which would affect the future of this Agreement.

V. Review/Revision Provisions

- 1. This Agreement will automatically renew unless superseded by a new agreement. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice of at least one (1) year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should the agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted by the School under the terms of this Agreement.
- 2. Substantive changes in the courses or program of either institution will involve discussion between representatives of the School and **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE.** At the request of either party, a review of the contents or implementation of this Agreement will be conducted by the two institutions.
- 3. As necessary, updates to this Agreement to establish currency of courses shall take place between the following officials at **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** and the School officials.

TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

AND

SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES

Signature indicates acceptance of this Agreement.

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE
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