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AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE ON BEHALF OF ITS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
COLLEGE OF NURSING  
AND  
SOUTHWEST TENNESSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The purpose of this agreement is to enable nursing students who complete the associate degree in nursing (AAS) at Southwest Tennessee Community College (Southwest) and hold a license as a Registered Nurse (RN) to be automatically enrolled in The University of Tennessee on behalf of its Health Science Center (UTHSC) College of Nursing (CON) RN to BSN nursing program, provided that:

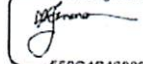
1. Student is currently enrolled in the nursing program at Southwest.
2. Student successfully completes all second semester nursing courses.
3. Student is in good academic standing.
4. Student is in compliance with the Southwest code of conduct during time of enrollment.
5. Student completes UTHSC's CON *Agreement Intent to Enroll Form*.
6. Student completes the associate degree with a minimum overall combined 2.0 GPA as computed by the UTHSC CON.
7. Student is in compliance with the following provisions listed in the *Agreement Intent to Enroll Form*.
  - a. Student will not attend another institution between the time of graduation from Southwest Tennessee Community College and official enrollment to the UTHSC CON.
  - b. Student will enroll at the UTHSC CON within one year of completion of the associate degree (AAS) nursing program at Southwest Tennessee Community College.

It is further understood that both UTHSC CON and Southwest agree to abide by the guidelines prescribed in the Southwest Tennessee Community College and The University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing Partnership Enrollment Program (Attachment A).

This agreement will be reviewed regularly by both institutions to assess the effectiveness of this program.

The effective date of this agreement is May 1, 2016 and will continue through April 30, 2017 and will renew automatically annually. Either institution may advise the other of its desire to cancel or modify the program at any time subject to 90 days' notice.

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Vice Chancellor/ Chief Financial Officer

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Southwest Tennessee Community College

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**SOUTHWEST TENNESSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
AND  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
COLLEGE OF NURSING  
PARTNERSHIP ENROLLMENT PROGRAM PROPOSAL**

Southwest Tennessee Community College (Southwest) and The University of Tennessee (UTHSC) College of Nursing (CON) offer a Partnership Enrollment Program (PEP) that guarantees full admission to the RN to BSN nursing program at UTHSC to any Southwest nursing student who completes the associate degree in nursing (AAS) at Southwest and holds a license as a Registered Nurse (RN). The requirements for participation are prescriptive for the Associate Degree nursing student at Southwest as outlined in this document.

### **Program Eligibility**

The requirements to participate are:

- Current enrollment in the nursing program at Southwest Tennessee Community College.
- Successful completion of all second semester nursing courses.
- In good academic standing.
- Compliance with the Southwest code of conduct during time of enrollment.
- Complete UTHSC's CON *Agreement Intent to Enroll Form*.
- Complete the associate degree with a minimum overall combined 2.0 GPA as computed by the UTHSC CON.
- Compliance with the provisions listed below in the *Agreement Intent to Enroll Form*.
  - Will not attend another institution between the time of graduation from Southwest Tennessee Community College and official enrollment to the UTHSC CON.
  - Will enroll at the UTHSC CON within one year of completion of the associate degree (AAS) nursing program at Southwest Tennessee Community College.

### **Prior to Admission**

The requirements for participants to proceed with admission to UTHSC CON are:

- Successful completion of all nursing courses and graduated with an AAS.
- In good academic standing.
- Successfully passing NCLEX.
- Complete the associate degree with a minimum overall combined 2.0 GPA as computed by the UTHSC CON.

### **Transfer and Advising**

When the nursing student is approved for the UTHSC CON Partnership Enrollment Program, a UTHSC CON advisor will be assigned to work directly with the student. A Southwest Tennessee Community College advisor in collaboration with the UTHSC advisor will recommend courses that will not only meet the requirements for the associate's degree, but provide the most effective transfer of credits to the UTHSC CON RN to BSN Nursing Program. Advising will be ongoing throughout the student's enrollment at Southwest Community College and continue through their enrollment at UTHSC CON. The Southwest nursing students have two (2) prescriptive options to choose from as a pathway to the UTHSC CON RN to BSN program. In addition, all students must meet the total of 120 credit hours required for graduation from the UTHSC CON program. Thirty hours of nursing course credits are earned from UTHSC and thirty hours of nursing credits from previous education (diploma or ASN).

1. The nursing student is currently enrolled in the Southwest Associate of Applied Science in Nursing Program. For Graduation from UTHSC CON, the following courses are required.

- **Fulltime:** Two (2) semesters of upper division nursing at UTHSC-30 hours PLUS the required General Education Requirements (see attached PEP General Education Transfer Guide).
  - While enrolled at Southwest, prerequisite courses may be taken at Southwest or at any accredited University.
2. Southwest Associate of Applied Science in Nursing student with an Earned Bachelor's Degree in a field other than nursing from a regionally accredited school.
- Two (2) semesters (full-time) or four (4) semesters (part-time) of upper division nursing at UTHSC CON- 30 hours.
  - Fulfillment of UTHSC CON General Education Requirements as determined on transcript evaluation.
  - While enrolled at Southwest, courses may be taken at Southwest or at any accredited University.

#### **Benefits to Participating in Southwest-UTHSC CON PEP**

- Guaranteed admission to UTHSC for nursing coursework for which a "C" or higher was earned.
- Access to academic advising, transfer course work information, and degree plans from both Southwest and UTHSC CON advisors throughout your tenure in the program.
- Locked-in degree requirements at the time the student enters the UTHSC CON PEP. The student will have the option of completing the degree requirements in effect at the time the Intent to Enroll form is signed/accepted or new degree requirements in effect at the time of official enrollment in UTHSC CON.
- Opportunities to observe nursing class/clinical experience at UTHSC CON while completing AAS degree in Nursing at Southwest.
- Admission fee waiver
- 9-10 week terms
- Regional out-of-state tuition discount. Visit link for eligibility: <http://www.uthsc.edu/nursing/future-students/regional-tuition.php>
- Pre-registration priority in UTHSC CON courses for the first semester after licensure
- Southwest Tennessee Community College student who is "co-admitted" to the UTHSC CON under the partnership Enrollment Program has:
  - Access to UTHSC Library
  - Access to Distinguished Visiting Professor lectureships.
  - Access to UTHSC Student Alumni Center (SAC) Fitness Center & pool.
  - Free group tutoring for UTHSC courses
  - Access to academic advising from both Southwest and UTHSC CON

#### **Pre-Transfer and PEP Advising Schedule**

Southwest Tennessee Community College and the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing offer a Partnership Enrollment (PEP) that guarantees UTHSC CON admission to any student who completes an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing at Southwest. Currently enrolled Southwest students can choose to be dually admitted to UTHSC CON for an easier transition from a two-year to four-year school.

If you are interested in making an appointment to speak with a representative, please contact Mr. Shawn Boyd, Recruiter, by email at [sboyd15@uthsc.edu](mailto:sboyd15@uthsc.edu) or call 901-448-6141.

**CURRICULUM PLAN FOR THE PARTNERSHIP ENROLLMENT PROGRAM  
UTCHS-CON AND SOUTHWEST  
RN TO BSN TRACK**

**I. Admission to Southwest – High School Graduation or a Non-Nursing Degree or Students Currently Taking Gen. Ed Courses**

Applicants May Enter The RN to BSN Track Anytime During Semester I-III by completing the UTHSC's CON Agreement Intent to Enroll Form

Semester I	Credit Hour	Semester II	Credit Hour
**BIOL2010 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	**BIOL2020 Anatomy & Physiology II	4
*ENGL1010 English Composition	3	**BIOL1230 Microbiology	4
***HIST US History I or Speech/Comm	3	***HIST US History II or Literature I	3
*Fine Arts/Humanities PHIL2020 / ETCH2030	3	ENGL2010 English Composition II	3
*PSYCH1030 General Psychology	3	DIET1310 Principles of Nutrition	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

Semester III or Summer I/II	Credit Hour	Semester IV (Admission to Southwest RN Program)	Credit Hour
*MATH1530 Probability & Statistic	3	*NURS1114 Foundations of Nursing	4
Gen. Ed Elective (Foreign Language)	3	*NURS1126 Foundations of Nursing Clinical	3
Gen. Ed Elective (Fine Arts / Humanities)	3	*NURS1141 Dosages & Solutions	2
Gen. Ed Elective (Sociology)	3		
Gen. Ed. Elective (Literature II)	3		
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>

Semester V	Credit Hour	Semester VI	Credit Hour
*NURS1213 Adult Health Nursing I	3	*NURS2113 Nursing of Children	3
*NURS1226 Adult Health Nursing I Clinical	2	*NURS2126 Nursing of Children Clinical	2
*NURS1613 Nursing of Childbearing Family	3	*NURS2313 Mental Health Nursing	3
*NURS1626 Nursing of Childbearing Family Clinical	2	*NURS2326 Mental Health Nursing Clinical	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>
Upon successful completion of Sem V nursing courses, Complete Application Form for UTCHS-CON			

Semester VII	Credit Hour
*NURS2414 Adult Health Nursing II	4
*NURS2426 Adult Health Nursing II Clinical	3
*NURS2412 Management	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>

- \* Course to meet Southwest A.A.S. in nursing degree requirements
- \*\* A.A.S. Nursing Curriculum Plan and weighted on Admission Index
- \*\*\* One year high school US / American History will satisfy this requirement

**COMPLETE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A.A.S. IN NURSING AND PASS NCLEX-RN**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER  
COLLEGE OF NURSING  
&  
Southwest Tennessee Community College Partnership  
RN to BSN**

<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
NSG 414	Intro to Evidence-Based Practice	3 (3-0)
NSG XXX*	Gerontology / Veterans	3 (2-1)
<b>Total</b>		<b>6 (5-1)</b>
<b>Block 1</b>		
PATH 421	Pathophysiology**	3 (3-0)
PHAN 499	Pharmacology**	3 (3-0)
NSG 415	Health of Populations	3 (2-1)
NSG 423	Medication Safety in Health Care	1 (1-0)
<b>Block 2</b>		
NSG 403	Health Assessment**	3 (2-1)
NSG 407	Genetics	1 (1-0)
NSG 430	Transitions	3 (3-0)
<b>Total</b>		<b>14 (12-2)</b>
<b>Block 1</b>		
NSG 410	Professional Issues	3 (3-0)
NSG XXX*	End of Life Care	3 (3-0)
<b>Block 2</b>		
NSG 405	Informatics	3 (3-0)
NSG 481	Leadership	3 (3-0)
NSG 419	Internship	2 (2-0)
<b>Total</b>		<b>14 (12-2)</b>
<b>TOTAL for RN-BSN</b>		<b>37 (33-4)</b>

\*Not required for students with over 90 transferrable credit hours

\*\* May use HESI scores to test out of these courses



AGREEMENT INTENT TO ENROLL FORM
PARTNERSHIP ENROLLMENT PROGRAM
DUAL ADMISSIONS PROGRAM
Please Print Clearly

Community College Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

Full Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_
LAST FIRST MIDDLE/MAIDEN SUFFIX

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

We request your completion of the following for reporting purposes only. This information will not be used to discriminate against any applicant in the program.

Birthdate (month/date/year) \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female

Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino?  Yes  No

Please select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself:

White  Black or African American  Asian  American Indian  Alaskan Native  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Are you a CITIZEN of the United States?  Yes  No (If no, what is the country of your CITIZENSHIP and your VISA type?)

\_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP VISA TYPE

Are you seeking a BSN degree from the University of Tennessee?  Yes  No

Have you applied for admission to UTHSC?  Yes  No

If yes, what name did you apply? \_\_\_\_\_

What Community College are you currently attending? \_\_\_\_\_ Major? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your expected graduation date from the Community College? \_\_\_\_\_

When is your expected entry term at UTHSC CON?  Fall  Spring Year: \_\_\_\_\_

RELEASE NOTIFICATION: The partner Community College and UTHSC will share and release information to each other about participating students. Please sign the student release form and return to your community college admissions office. I certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand the eligibility for the program that I am participating in requires compliance with the provisions of the Intent to Enroll agreement, including completion of the associate degree. I also understand that participation in this program may be denied if any of my application information is found to be incomplete or inaccurate. I agree to comply with the deadlines for enrolling at the University. I understand that I must formally enroll in the University within one year of my associate degree completion by submitting a paper and pencil application to UTHSC CON.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT RELEASE FORM**  
**Partnership Enrollment Program**

The student will participate in the Partnership Enrollment Program between the partner Community College, Southwest TN Community College (Southwest), and the University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC), after successful completion of all second semester nursing coursework in the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AAS).

To be eligible for the Partnership Enrollment Program, the student must meet the following requirements:

1. Complete Partnership Enrollment Program Intent to Enroll Form after successful completion of all second semester nursing coursework in the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AAS).
2. Must be in academic, disciplinary and financial good standing at the partner Community College.

As a Partnership Enrollment Program student, the student is entitled to receive the following services from UTHSC-CON.

- Guaranteed admission to UTHSC-CON while the student is completing his/her associate degree, provided one complies with all requirements.
- Access to academic advising and degree plans from both the partner Southwest and UTHSC-CON advisors throughout a student's tenure in the program
- Admission fee waiver
- Access to UTHSC library, Student Alumni Center (SAC) Fitness Center & Pool, free group tutoring for UTHSC-CON courses and access to UTHSC-CON distinguished visiting professor lectureships.

The following conditions apply:

1. The student's enrollment at UTHSC-CON is governed by the terms and provisions of the UTHSC Catalog in effect at the semester of transfer or the semester of acceptance of application.
2. The student must maintain enrollment for this agreement to remain in effect.
3. The student will request an official copy of the academic record from each college or university in which the student has been or is enrolled.
4. The student must complete the Partnership Enrollment Program Intent to Enroll Form.  

<b>Deadline for submitting the Partnership Enrollment Form:</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Spring</b>
<b>Applicants:</b>	<b>Jan 15</b>	<b>Sept 15</b>
5. The student must not attend another nursing program between the time of graduation and formal enrollment at UTHSC-CON.
6. The student will comply with UTHSC advising requirements.
7. The student is subject to the academic and disciplinary policies of the enrolling institution. Additionally, the student is subject to policies governing student use of the UTHSC library when using those services.
8. The student understands that loss of eligibility to continue in classes at Southwest will cause termination of this agreement.
9. The student may cancel this agreement at any time upon written notice to the partner Community College, Southwest Office of Admissions.

By signing this agreement, the student authorizes Southwest and UTHSC to exchange all information on a regular basis related to the student's enrollment at either institution for purposes of maintaining academic, disciplinary and other appropriate student records as required to be maintained by each institution, and asserts that he/she will meet Partnership Enrollment Program requirements as outlined above.

I understand that signatures below from Southwest and UTHSC only acknowledge receipt of this agreement. This agreement is not official until verification is made by Southwest and UTHSC that the student meets the Partnership Enrollment Program requirements.

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*Student Signature*

*Date*