



**RN-BSN Nursing Agreement between  
James Madison University and Blue Ridge Community College**

**Addendum to the Guaranteed Admission Agreement**

The James Madison University Department of Nursing proposes an articulation plan designed to expand the number of baccalaureate-prepared nurses to serve the Commonwealth.

The program is open to students who wish to pursue the B.S.N. degree. Students must complete the A.D.N. degree at BRCC and then transfer to JMU.

Attached to this Addendum are two documents that delineate the plan for implementing the Nursing Agreement between James Madison University and Blue Ridge Community College. These documents include the:

- o Intent Form, which is completed by the student and his/her BRCC adviser and provides the information that will allow JMU to track the student's progress. It also spells out the conditions of the agreement for the student.
- o Curriculum Outline and Advising Guide, which specifies the courses that the student will take at BRCC to transfer to JMU, thus ensuring that the basic level of requirements for the major are met before the student enrolls at JMU.

The agreement will be implemented beginning in spring 2013 with the first students transferring to JMU in the fall 2013.

Under this memorandum, all parties will annually review program curriculum and enrollment patterns and procedures beginning in fall 2014 and revise them as appropriate.

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# Curriculum Outline and Advising Guide: R.N.-B.S.N. Program

## James Madison University and Blue Ridge Community College

**Note: This document is only a guide; students wishing to transfer to JMU under the R.N.-B.S.N. Program Memorandum of Agreement must also sign an official Letter of Intent.**

JMU requires that students earn a minimum of 120 credit hours to graduate. Of the 120 credit hours, students must earn a minimum of 60 credit hours at a four-year institution and a minimum 30 credit hours at JMU.

Application deadlines for fall and spring admission to the JMU R.N.-B.S.N. program are posted on the JMU R.N.-B.S.N. website (<http://nursing.jmu.edu/rntobsn/index.html>).

### BRCC AAS Nursing Program Admission Requirements

Course Title	JMU Course Equivalent	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
BIO 141 Human Anatomy & Physiology I <sup>12</sup>	BIO 290 & BIO 270	4
ENG 111 College Composition I	WRTC 100	3
PSY 230 Developmental Psychology	PSYC 160	3
SDV 101 Orientation to Health Professions	Non-Transferable	0
ENG 112 College Composition II	WRTC 103	3
<b>Total Required BRCC Prerequisite Credits Accepted by JMU</b>		<b>13</b>

**When enrolled at BRCC, students will choose either the full-time or part-time program of study.**

Full Time			Part Time		
Course Title	JMU Course Equivalent	Course Credits Awarded by JMU	Course Title	JMU Course Equivalent	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
<b>Fall Semester (1<sup>st</sup> Semester)</b>			<b>Fall Semester (1<sup>st</sup> Semester)</b>		
BIO 142 Human Anatomy & Physiology II <sup>12</sup>	BIO 290 & BIO 270	4	BIO 142 Human Anatomy & Physiology II <sup>12</sup>	BIO 290 & BIO 270	4
NSG 100 Introduction to Nursing Concepts	NSG 350	4			
NSG 106 Competencies for Nursing Practice	NSG 351	2			
NSG 130 Professional Nursing Concepts	Non-Transferable	0			
NSG 200 Health Promotion and Assessment	Non-Transferable	0			
<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Spring Semester (2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)</b>			<b>Spring Semester (2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)</b>		
BIO 150 Introductory Microbiology <sup>1</sup>	BIO 280	4	BIO 150 Introductory Microbiology <sup>1</sup>	BIO 280	4
NSG 152 Health Care Participant	Non-Transferable	0			
NSG 170 Health/Illness Concepts	Non-Transferable	0			
<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Fall Semester (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)</b>			<b>Fall Semester (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)</b>		
General Education: College Choice <sup>3</sup>		0-3	General Education: College Choice		3
NSG 210 Health Care Concepts I	NSG 356	3			
NSG 211 Health Care Concepts II	NSG 356L	4			
<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>7-10</b>	<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>3</b>

<sup>1</sup> BIO 141, BIO 142, AND BIO 150 – A grade of “C” or higher is required. These courses must be repeated if they were taken more than eight years prior to application for admission to the BRCC.

<sup>2</sup> Both BIO 141 and BIO 142 must be completed to receive BIO 270 and 290 credit; additionally, both courses must be completed AT THE SAME INSTITUTION.

<sup>3</sup> Credits will be awarded by JMU if there is a JMU equivalent to the chosen BRCC course.

Full Time			Part Time		
Course Title	JMU Course Equivalent	Course Credits Awarded by JMU	Course Title	JMU Course Equivalent	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
<b>Spring Semester (4<sup>th</sup> semester)</b>			<b>Spring Semester (4<sup>th</sup> semester)</b>		
NSG 230 Advanced Professional Nursing Concepts	Non-Transferable	0	Humanities Elective		3
NSG 252 Complex Health Care Concepts	Non-Transferable	0			
NSG 270 Nursing Capstone	Non-Transferable	0			
PHI 225 Selected Problems in Applied Ethics, PHI 226 Social Ethics, or PHI 227 Bio-Medical Ethics	PHI 000	3			
<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total BRCC Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>24-27</b>			
<b>Fall Semester – Begin JMU RN/BSN Program (see below)</b>			<b>Begin Clinical Component for BRCC</b>		
			<b>Fall Semester (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)</b>		
			NSG 100 Introduction to Nursing Concepts	NSG 350	4
			NSG 106 Competencies for Nursing Practice	NSG 351	2
			NSG 130 Professional Nursing Concepts	Non-Transferable	0
			NSG 200 Health Promotion and Assessment	Non-Transferable	0
			<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>6</b>
			<b>Spring Semester (6<sup>th</sup> Semester)</b>		
			NSG 152 Health Care Participant	Non-Transferable	0
			NSG 170 Health Illness Concepts	Non-Transferable	0
			<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>0</b>
			<b>Fall Semester (7<sup>th</sup> Semester)</b>		
			NSG 210 Health Care Concepts I	NSG 356	3
			NSG 211 Health Care Concepts II	NSG 356L	4
			<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>7</b>
			<b>Spring Semester (8<sup>th</sup> Semester)</b>		
			NSG 230 Advanced Professional Concepts	Non-Transferable	0
			NSG 252 Complex Health Care Concepts	Non-Transferable	0
			NSG 270 Capstone Clinical	Non-Transferable	0
			<b>Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>0</b>
			<b>Total BRCC Credits to Count Toward JMU RN to BSN Program</b>		<b>27</b>
			<b>Fall Semester – Begin JMU RN/BSN Program (see below)</b>		

Once enrolled at JMU, students will choose either the full-time or part-time program of study.

Full Time (3 Semesters)		Part Time (5 Semesters)	
Course Title	Course Credits Awarded by JMU	Course Title	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Fall Semester (1<sup>st</sup> year)</b>	
NSG 324 RN/BSN Strategies for Success	1	NSG 324 RN/BSN Strategies for Success	1
NSG 325 Concepts in Aging	3	NSG 333 Health Assessment	3
NSG 333 Health Assessment	3	NSG 462 Issues in Contemporary Nursing Practice	3
NSG 462 Issues in Contemporary Nursing Practice	3		
NSG 463 Professional Role Transition	3		
<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester (1<sup>st</sup> year)</b>	
NSG 461 Pathophysiology & Pharmacology	3	NSG 461 Pathophysiology & Pharmacology	3
NSG 464 Introduction to Nursing Research	3	NSG 464 Introduction to Nursing Research	3
NSG 460 Healthcare Informatics	3		
NSG 471 Leadership and Management in Healthcare	3		
<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Summer Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester (1<sup>st</sup> year)</b>	
NSG 466 Community Health Practicum	1	NSG 466 Community Health Practicum	1
NSG 469 Caring for the Public's Health: Community Health Nursing	4	NSG 469 Caring for the Public's Health: Community Health Nursing	4
<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>5</b>
		<b>Fall Semester (2<sup>nd</sup> year)</b>	
		NSG 325 Concepts in Aging	3
		NSG 463 Professional Role Transition	3
		<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>6</b>
		<b>Spring Semester (2<sup>nd</sup> year)</b>	
		NSG 460 Healthcare Informatics	3
		NSG 471 Leadership and Management in Healthcare	3
		<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total JMU RN to BSN Program Credits</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Total JMU RN to BSN Program Credits</b>	<b>30</b>

**JMU Experiential Learning Credit**

Credit Source	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
Licensed RN Clinical Practice Credits	12
Professional Portfolio Credits	25
<b>Total Experiential Learning Credits</b>	<b>37</b>

**Additional JMU RN to BSN Program Requirements: The following RN to BSN requirements must be completed - at the student's discretion at either BRCC and/or JMU- prior to graduating from JMU.**

JMU RN to BSN Program Requirement	JMU Courses	BRCC Courses (equivalents for transfer)	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
Sociology (Choose one)	SOCI 000, 101, 374	SOCI 200, 201, or 215	3
<b>Total Additional JMU RN to BSN Program Requirement Credits</b>			<b>3</b>

**Additional General Education Requirements: The following JMU General Education requirements must be completed - at the student's discretion at either BRCC and/or JMU- prior to graduating from JMU.**

JMU General Education Requirement	JMU Courses	VCCS Courses (equivalents for transfer)	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
General Education Cluster 2: Human Questions and Context ( <b>Choose one</b> )	HIST 101; HIST 102; HUM 250; HUM 251; HUM 252; PHIL 101; REL 101	HIS 111 or 112; HUM 201, 202, 211, 212, 215, 216, or 259; PHI 100, 101, 102, 200, 211 or 212; REL 230 or REL 231	3
General Education Cluster 2: Visual and Performing Arts ( <b>Choose one</b> )	ART 200; ARTH 205; MUS 200; THEA 210	ART 100, 101, 102, 105, 111, 112, 201, or 202; MUS 121 or 122; CST 130 or 141	3
General Education: Cluster 2: Literature ( <b>Choose one</b> )	ENG 111; ENG 235; ENG 236; ENG 239; ENG 247; ENG 248; ENG 260; HUM 200	ENG 230, 233, 236, 237, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 260, 267, 268, 270, 272, 273, 274, 276, OR 278; HUM 111 or HUM 112	3
General Education Cluster 4: The American Experience	HIST 225, HIST 000; POSC 225	HIS 121 AND HIS 122; PLS 130, 135, OR 211 NOTE: both HIS 121 and 122 must be successfully completed in order to fulfill the requirement	4
<b>Total Additional General Education Credits</b>			<b>13</b>

**Total Program Credits**

Credit Source	Course Credits Awarded by JMU
<b>Total BRCC Prerequisite Credits</b>	13
<b>Total BRCC Credits Accepted by JMU and Applied to JMU RN to BSN Program</b>	24-27
<b>Total JMU RN to BSN Program Credits</b>	30
<b>Total Experiential Learning Credits</b>	37
<b>Total Additional JMU RN to BSN Program Credits</b>	3
<b>Total Additional General Education Credits</b>	13
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>120-123</b>