

Agreement for Dual Admission between

University of Maryland School of Nursing and Montgomery College

University of Maryland, Baltimore ("UMB"), a public university that is part of the University System of Maryland, a public corporation and an instrumentality of the State of Maryland, acting through its academic unit the University of Maryland School of Nursing ("UMSON") hereby enters into an Agreement ("Agreement") with Montgomery College ("MC") to offer dual admission to students and transfer credits from one institution to the other on the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

I. Dual Admission. MC and UMSON agree to allow simultaneous admission to MC's Associate Degree in Nursing Program ("ADN") and UMSON's Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program ("BSN") through a coordinated admission process using the procedures set forth in Exhibit 1 ("Dual Admission Program"). Eventual enrollment at UMSON is dependent upon a student meeting criteria for progression to UMSON before the desired date of enrollment at UMSON. The procedures for the progression from MC to UMSON are set forth in Exhibit I.

II. Acceptance of Degrees. In order to matriculate to UMSON, a MC student must have graduated from MC with an Associate of Science degree in Nursing and satisfy UMSON's progression criteria and other applicable requirements at the time the student matriculates to UMSON as identified in Exhibit 2. Licensure as a Registered Nurse in the District of Columbia, Maryland or another Compact State must be obtained on or before the end of the first semester of enrollment at UMSON. UMSON shall accept up to 59 transfer credits that will also satisfy General Education Requirements at MC and UMSON, also identified in Exhibit 2. In addition to transfer credits for successfully completed coursework, UMSON will award students 30 credits toward their BSN upon verification of an active RN license.

IV. Enrollment in UMSON BSN Courses Prior to Graduation from MC. While enrolled in the ADN program at MC, a student may take UMSON courses under Special Student status to earn credits towards the BSN degree. The parties will direct students who wish to apply UMSON credits toward obtaining a BSN degree to consult a UMSON representative. UMSON will not double count credits towards the BSN degree if used to meet credit requirements for the ADN degree. The procedures for Special Student status are set forth in Exhibit 1 ("Special Student Status").

V. Applicability. The status afforded to students as contemplated in this Agreement applies only to the Dual Admission Program, courses in the Dual Admission Program, transfer of credits and credentials, and credential requirements in effect as of the Effective Date (as defined in Section XI.). The Dual Admission Program and the processes and procedures outlined in this agreement are limited to the Dual Admission Program. UMSON and MC agree that students enrolled in the Dual Admission Program are subject to the respective laws, regulations, practices and policies in effect at the institution the student is enrolled in, or taking classes in. Such laws, regulations, practices and policies include, but are not limited to, payment of tuition and fees, grading, appeals or grades, reasonable accommodation and academic misconduct. Each party will bear its own expenses related to resolving grievances and academic matters at its respective institution.

A student will pay regular deposits, tuition and fees set up by the institution in which the student is enrolled. Each institution is responsible for collecting tuition and fees from its students in the Dual Admissions Program according to its own rate structure in place at the time of the students' enrollment

at the institution. Each institution is responsible for billing and student accounts for the semester(s) when a student is enrolled at the institution. Financial aid will be administered through MC prior to a student's enrollment into UMSON's BSN program. After enrollment into UMSON's BSN program, financial aid will be administered through UMSON.

VI. Student Responsibility. Upon acceptance to the Dual Admission Program students must execute a written authorization (a FERPA release) to permit MC and UMSON to monitor any matter of legitimate educational interest. Both parties will inform the Students of the responsibility to meet all requirements for successful completion of the Dual Admission Program including the MC Associate of Science degree in Nursing requirements and all prerequisites for successful Enrollment to UMSON as specified in UMSON guidelines <http://nursing.umaryland.edu/academic-programs/undcrgrad/rn-bsn>. Students must also meet UMSON Technical Standards, enrollment requirements and maintain satisfactory academic standing in courses taken at UMSON.

For admission and enrollment purposes, MC students are responsible for submitting all forms and materials as required by MC and UMSON and ensuring that all required materials have been received by UMSON.

If dual enrolled, Students must comply with the policies and procedures, well as the academic and non-academic standards of MC and UMSON during the time students are enrolled at each institution.

VII. MC and UMSON Responsibilities. Consultation and communication on student progress will be maintained by MC and UMSON once a FERPA release form is completed by each student.

MC will provide counseling /advising to students who wish to be accepted into or who have been accepted into the Dual Admission Program. MC will evaluate students' performance in accordance with admission and enrollment requirements every semester. At the end of each semester, MC and UMSON will provide an overview of students accepted into the Dual Admission Program to include courses completed, GPA, projected semester to matriculate to UMSON, and campus (Shady Grove site or Baltimore campus).

UMSON will meet with these accepted students in a group on an annual basis. MC Dual Admission Program students will be invited to visit the Shady Grove site or Baltimore campuses during UMSON open houses.

UMSON will provide MC with student progress and BSN completion data for all Dual Admission Program students as well as information supporting the BSN program.

MC and UMSON must maintain accreditation by a national nursing accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE). Both programs must be approved by the Maryland Board of Nursing.

VIII. Degrees Awarded. Students will be awarded the Associate of Science degree in Nursing from MC upon successful completion of all requirements for the ADN degree. Students will be awarded the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from UMSON after successful completion of all the requirements for the BSN degree.

IX. Promotion/Publicity. During the term of this Agreement, MC and UMSON shall develop and agree upon a mutually acceptable marketing and student recruitment plan to promote the Dual Admission Program and inform students of the opportunities available at both institutions under this Agreement. MC will provide to UMSON its student directory information for promotion of the alliance.

Both institutions will promote this agreement on their websites.

Any and all marketing, promotional, or other materials developed by one party to publicize this Agreement must be reviewed and approved in writing by the other party prior to use of any such materials. Neither party shall use the name or marks of the other party in connection with any product, service, promotion, news release or other publicity, without the prior written consent of the party whose name or marks is under consideration. In all communications, marketing, promotional and other materials related to the Dual Admissions Program, students shall be referred to as dual admission students in the MC ADN and UMSON BSN programs.

X. Changes in Programs. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, UMSON and MC retain the right and the authority to make changes in their respective courses, programs, and credential requirements. The parties shall give each other ninety (90) days' notice of changes in their respective courses, programs, and/or credential requirements that may materially affect a student's status, acceptance of degrees, or the transfer of credit as contemplated in this Agreement. A student who is already enrolled in the Dual Admission Program at the time of such changes will have the option to choose whether to follow the existing or new requirements. A student's selection of either option, as well as the student's proposed plan of study, must be approved by representatives of both the MC and UMSON nursing programs.

The parties shall meet, at least once a year, to review their respective courses, programs, and credential requirements to determine whether this Agreement should be amended to reflect the courses, programs, and credential requirements then in effect at each institution, as well as to determine if there is a need for a cap on enrollment in the Dual Admissions Program.

XI. Term and Termination. The term of this Agreement is one year commencing as of September 1, 2018 (the "Effective Date") and ending on August 31, 2019. The term will extend automatically for successive one-year periods.

Either party may terminate this Agreement by providing ninety (90) days prior written notice to the other party, via the official contact listed below.

Provided neither UMSON's nor MC's programs, courses, or credential requirements have changed such that articulation or the transfer of credit is no longer academically appropriate, UMSON shall accept the transfer of MC credits and afford the students the status on the terms and conditions of this Agreement for those students who have enrolled in UMSON and remained continuously enrolled at or before termination of this Agreement. Continuous enrollment means enrollment in at least one course at MC within a two-year period (i.e., six semesters) and enrollment in at least one course every semester during enrollment at UMSON.

XII. General Provisions. This Agreement is subject to applicable policies and procedures promulgated by the Maryland Higher Education Commission regarding the transfer of credits.

All notices under this Agreement must be in writing; delivered in person or by U.S. mail, facsimile, or commercial courier; and addressed as follows:

If to UMSON:

University of Maryland School of Nursing

655 W. Lombard St., Suite 505

Baltimore, MD 21201

Attn:

Dean School of Nursing

If to MC:

Montgomery College

9221 Corporate Blvd

Rockville, MD 20850

Attn:

Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs Office.

Either party may change its respective notice address by providing notice to the other party.

This Agreement shall be only for the benefit of the undersigned parties and their permitted successors and assigns, and no student or other person shall be deemed to be a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

This Agreement integrates the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes any and all prior and/or contemporaneous agreements between the parties, written or oral, with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may be modified only by a writing signed by both parties.

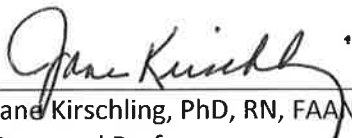
The laws of the State of Maryland govern interpretation of this Agreement.

Neither party may assign this Agreement, its interest herein, or its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other.

Nothing in this Agreement is intended to constitute a partnership or joint venture between the parties. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to create rights in or benefit any person or entity other than the parties.

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For: University of Maryland School of Nursing



Jane Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN
Dean and Professor

July 13, 2018

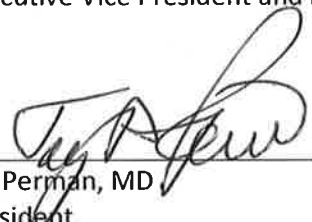
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Bruce Jarrell, MD, FACS
Executive Vice President and Provost

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President

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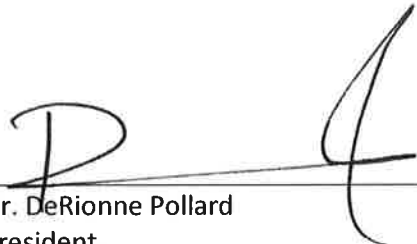
For: Montgomery College



Dr. Sanjay Rai
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

06/05/2018

Date



Dr. DeRionne Pollard
President

6/12/18

Date

Exhibit 1: Dual Admission Program

I. Admissions. A student may apply for dual admission as early as the time of enrollment in the ADN program at MC but no later than the beginning of the final semester of enrollment in the ADN program.

UMSON will consider for admission into its BSN program MC students with an overall GPA of 3.0 for higher education course work completed and a 2.75 GPA in any prerequisite science courses taken by the time of admission to MC's ADN program. UMSON and MC shall develop and use an application process ("Dual Application") that will result in the progression of the student to UMSON. A student must complete and submit the appropriate paperwork to both MC and UMSON. The student is responsible for paying the application fees when applying to MC and UMSON. Both UMSON and MC shall identify students enrolled in the Dual Admission Program in their respective student databases.

II. Progression Process. Students interested in the MC and UMSON Dual Admission Program must meet with the MC nursing advisor to ensure appropriate course scheduling and to specify preferred location for progression into the BSN program. Students must enroll in courses in the nursing plan of study in order to progress to UMSON. Progression to UMSON must be done within the timeframe specified below.

The MC nursing advisor, in collaboration with the student in the Dual Admission Program, will monitor the process for completing the MC Dual Admission Program. MC students must submit all required materials to UMSON no later than July 1st for fall matriculation and January 1st for spring matriculation. Thereupon, the MC student will finalize his/her preferred location for attendance- University of Maryland, Baltimore or Universities at Shady Grove, Rockville. All student inquires for information regarding the status of a student's filing for progression should be directed to UMSON Office of Student and Academic Services (OSAS).

Following reviews of the student's materials, UMSON will notify the students via admission letter whether or not they qualify for provisional acceptance for progression to UMSON's BSN program. Provisional acceptance for progression is granted to students who meet UMSON progression criteria, are completing their remaining studies at MC, and will complete all prerequisite courses prior to the beginning of the semester offered progression to UMSON.

Students pursuing this Dual Admission Program may not have more than 6 outstanding prerequisite courses in their fall or spring semester prior to Enrollment to UMSON. Students in the Dual Admission Program must be enrolled in UMSON within three years of their acceptance into MC's ADN program unless the student falls under the Armed Forces and Sailors Act, with respect to involuntary recall to active duty. In these cases, individual reviews will be made case by case.

MC students in the Dual Admission Program must notify the UMSON Office of Admissions of their decision to matriculate and pay the required deposit by the date included in the offer of progression letter or the offer of progression will be rescinded.

If students in the guaranteed MC to UMSON Dual Admission Program do not fulfill remaining progression requirements satisfactorily, UMSON reserves the right to rescind the provisional admission for progression.

III. Special Student Status. MC students that have successfully met the criteria outlined in the Dual Admission Program may enroll in coursework towards the BSN degree at UMSON provided they have met course pre-requisites. MC students interested in dual enrollment coursework at MC and UMSON must submit all of the necessary materials to enroll in a course at UMSON and follow the policies and procedure outlined by UMSON, including completion of a course's prerequisite requirements. Special Students will be limited to enrollment in available courses specified by UMSON. Enrollment at UMSON as a Special Status student does not guarantee future enrollment in the UMSON.

IV. Matriculation at UMSON. A student is eligible for matriculation in UMSON if the student has graduated from MC with an Associate of Science degree in Nursing with an overall GPA of 3.0, and an overall GPA of 2.75 in the science prerequisites (Principles of Chemistry I, Human Anatomy & Physiology I and II, and Microbiology), and successfully passes the NCLEX licensure exam, prior to the end of the first semester at UMSON, in order to remain in the program.

V. Registration. A student must register through the institution offering the course and pay the appropriate tuition and fees to the institution where registered. The UMSON Undergraduate Catalog and Schedule of Classes will be available on the UMB main website.

VI. Residency for Tuition Purposes. Residency requirements for each institution shall apply to courses taken at that institution. Initial determination of residency will be made at the time of admission. Verification of residency is the responsibility of each institution.

VII. Advising. General advising for degrees available through the Dual Admission Program will be provided by MC academic advisors while a student is at MC and by UMSON while a student is at UMSON.

VIII. Disabled Student Services. Students, including students with disabilities, must meet the technical standards of both MC and UMSON. Students with disabilities can request reasonable accommodations, and these will be determined on a case by case basis, in order to demonstrate technical standards.

IX. Financial Aid. While a student is at MC, MC will issue the student's financial aid. When the student is accepted for full Enrollment at UMSON, the student's financial aid will be administered through UMSON.