

**Articulation Agreement**  
**Mayville State University and North Dakota State College of Science, Wahpeton, ND**  
**November, 2019**  
**AAS Pathway from RN to BSN**

The purpose of this articulation agreement is to enable North Dakota State College of Science (NDSCS) students who have earned their Associate of Applied Science in Registered Nursing (AAS) degree to transfer to Mayville State University (MaSU) and enter the Registered Nursing (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. The agreement will provide a structure through which transfer articulation can be supported.

Therefore, it would be understood and agreed that courses taken at North Dakota State College of Science are considered equally transferrable to Mayville State University.

**Transfer Requirements**

**(Step 1 of the admission process) Students Must:**

1. Complete an Associate of Applied Science in Registered Nursing Degree (AAS) from NDSCS.
2. Apply for admission to MaSU
  - a. Applicants must meet university admission requirements for transfer students  
<http://www.mayvillestate.edu/prospective-students/admissions/transfer/>
  - b. Be in good academic standing (not on dismissed or suspended status) at the most recent college or university you have attended.
  - c. University requirement of minimum GPA of 2.0 at the conclusion of any semester in which the number of institutional and transfer hours attempted reaches or exceeds 64 semester hours. For nursing program admission must have minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
  - d. Complete the Mayville State University Application for Admission – Online Application  
[https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl\\_ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=mayville](https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl_ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=mayville)
  - e. Submit a non-refundable, one-time \$35 application fee. No admissions decisions will be made until the application fee is received.
  - f. Submit official transcripts of all previous academic work from each institution attended. These must be sent directly from the institutions and must show all courses attempted and grades earned. Transcripts must be signed by a school official and contain the official school seal.
3. Meet all deadlines set by MaSU
4. (Step 2 of the admission process): The following are required for nursing program admission at MaSU:
  - a. Completion of the RN-to-BSN Program application
    - i. [RN-to-BSN Program online application](#)
    - ii. Admission Deadlines: Applications are accepted year round. Priority consideration is given to fall semester applications received by Feb. 1st, and to spring semester applications received by October 1st.
    - iii. Submit a non-refundable, one-time \$25 program application fee by calling the business office at 701-788-4757, or 4758. No admission decisions will be made until the program application fee is received.
  - b. Earned nursing degree leading to RN licensure (AAS, AS, or Diploma) from a regionally accredited institution (nursing program accreditation not required)
    - i. Conditional program acceptance will be granted if applying in final semester of RN program until the final AAS/AS-RN degree has been posted.
  - c. Active unencumbered RN license or be a graduate in current semester with license pending
    - i. Must be licensed by July 15th for Fall semester start/November 15th for Spring start (later date allowed only by Division Chair approval).
      1. Conditional program acceptance will be granted to applicants who do not hold RN licensure but are scheduled for or awaiting results of the NCLEX-RN Exam.
    - ii. Submit license information including license number and state of issuance

- iii. Should a final transcript or licensure status indicate the applicant has not met the above admission requirements, conditional acceptance will be withdrawn and the student will be required to reapply to the program in a future semester. The applicant will not be considered as admitted to the program to continue with enrollment in nursing courses without valid RN licensure. Enrollment in courses outside of the nursing major (Essential Studies courses, 300/400 level courses, and a statistics course), however, may proceed.
- d. Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale
- e. Minimum grade of "C" required for all previous nursing courses
- f. Two professional letters of reference addressing nursing role performance must be submitted to the Division of Nursing's Admin. Coordinator at [shannon.skovlund@mayvillestate.edu](mailto:shannon.skovlund@mayvillestate.edu).  
MaSU Division of Nursing Program Reference Form
- g. Identification of public health clinical site(s) available local to student residence for required clinical course, NURS 442.
  - i. Applicant must indicate potential public health agency locations on program application
  - ii. Applicant from a state other than ND or MN must be a resident of a state where Mayville State University is authorized to offer online degree programs (see MaSU State Authorizations Website). In addition, the applicant must obtain approval for student clinical experiences from the state board of nursing within his/her state of residence prior to being granted program admission. Documentation of state board of nursing approval using the form provided is required. MaSU out-of-state clinical approval form
- h. Following program admission, submission of the following will be required within the program's approved platform:
  - i. Proof of current American Heart Association Healthcare Provider (BLS) CPR certificate
  - ii. Proof of all current immunizations
  - iii. Signed confidentiality agreement
  - iv. Proof of health insurance/health insurance waiver
- i. Access to a computer with high-speed Internet and virus protection
  - i. Personal computer requirements will be provided upon request

Admission is competitive and is based on a point system. Points are given based on cumulative GPA, earned nursing credit GPA, reference information, previous application to the program, RN nursing graduation from a North Dakota institution, residency in North Dakota or employment as an RN in North Dakota, and existence of an articulation/affiliation agreement. The number of students admitted each semester is limited. The Division of Nursing reserves the right to deny admission. Failure to disclose previous or pending convictions or falsification of information may lead to denial of admissions or may be considered grounds for dismissal from the program.



**Mayville State University/North Dakota State College of Science  
Pathway from RN-to-BSN**

**Minimum of 120 credits needed for BSN requirement:**

**69 credits for Associate of Applied Science (AAS) RN degree at NDSCS**

Includes 29 General Education credits for Associate of Applied Science/ADN degree at NDSCS

\*Encourage Humanities 3cr. course for CSCI 116/HUM/HIST Elective

40 nursing credits (includes PHRM 210: Pharmacology for Registered Nursing)

**3 credits Program Statistics Requirement: MATH 210: Elementary Statistics at NDSCS can be used to meet this requirement**

\*Encourage completion of MATH 103, MATH 104, or MATH 210 at NDSCS

**5-8 remaining credits taken from NDSCS, MaSU or other institution-all prior credits transfer (from an institution that is regionally accredited)**

**12-15 General Education/Essential Studies credits required at MaSU**

COMM 110 Fundamentals of Public Speaking (3cr.), Arts & Humanities (3cr.), Social Science (3cr.), Arts & Humanities OR Soc. Science (3cr.), MATH 103 or MATH 104 (3cr.) if not already taken at NDSCS.

\*Assumes completion of 3cr. HUM course at NDSCS

\*UNIV 305 (3cr.), SOC 355 (3cr.), or COMM 316 (3 cr.) can be taken at MaSU to meet above Arts & Humanities requirements and PSYC 332 (3cr.) can be taken at MaSU to meet above Social Science requirements and also meet upper division elective requirements.

\*Completion of an AA or AS degree prior to transfer would eliminate the need to complete the above Essential Studies credits.

**28 Nursing Credits (300/400 level) at Mayville State University**

**0-8 Elective credits (300/400 level) at Mayville State University – to include Statistics at MaSU (300 level) if not taken prior. Note: MATH 103 or 104 pre-requisite to Statistics course.**

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Total credits if statistics completed at NDSCS and 9cr. ES 300/400 level at MaSU = 120

Total credits if only AAS degree completed at NDSCS, Statistics and remaining Essential Studies completed at MaSU = 120 (requires both MATH 103 and 300 level statistics course)

**RN-to-BSN Program Information**

The baccalaureate degree in nursing program at Mayville State University is **accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccneaccreditation.org>)**.

**Entirely online program**

Includes a 40 hour clinical experience completed local to student residence  
NURS courses **blocked in 5 week fashion** (take 1-2 classes at a time)

**Full-time and Part-time enrollment options (fall and spring semester start):**

Full-time: 1 year continuous (3 semesters)

Part-time: 2 years continuous (6 semesters)

Cost: \$354/credit for online tuition (2019-20 tuition/fee schedule, no additional course fees)  
Scholarships are available for eligible students

## MaSU RN to BSN Program Requirements taken at MaSU once transfer from NDSCS (AAS)

### Baccalaureate Degree Requirements

A minimum of 120 SH credits are required by Mayville State University to earn a baccalaureate degree.

- Minimum of 60 SH credits awarded for completion of nursing degree leading to RN licensure from a regionally accredited institution.
  - Must meet MSU Essential Studies (General Education) requirements
  - Other credits, including essential studies courses, may transfer from prior degrees or additional approved course work
  - Students must earn a minimum of 30 SH credits from MSU to meet the residency requirement
- Minimum of 36 SH upper division (300/400 level) credits required.
  - 28 SH credits RN-to-BSN core courses
  - 8 SH credits upper division non-nursing courses
    - 3 SH credits statistics course (300 level at MaSU)
      - Transfer credit substitution of equivalent statistics course upon approval, however, must still meet 36 SH 300/400 level credit requirement.
    - 5 SH credits elective courses

### RN to BSN Required Core Nursing Courses 28SH

NURS 310-Health Care Informatics & Technologies (2SH)

NURS 350-Baccalaureate Role Development: Provider of Care, Manager of Care, and Member of a Profession (3SH)

NURS 360-Holistic Health Assessment Across the Lifespan (4SH)

NURS 370-Evidence-based Practice (3SH)

NURS 441-Population-focused and Community based Nursing Care: I (4SH)

NURS 442-Population-focused and Community based Nursing: II (2SH)

NURS 450-Issues in the Health Care System: Focus on Rural Health (3SH)

NURS 460-Ethical Dilemmas in Health Care: A Focus on Vulnerable Populations & End-of-Life (3SH)

NURS 470-Nursing Leadership (4SH)

### Upper Division (300/400 Level) 8 SH

MaSU Nursing Program Required Statistics Course (3 SH) if Math 210 not already taken at NDSCS

BUSN 416-Business Statistics & Research (3SH)

PSYC 310- Statistics for the Social Sciences (3SH)

MATH 323- Probability & Statistics (3SH)

Additional 3SH course must be taken at 300/400 level if using Statistics course substitution to meet this requirement

5 SH- exact 300/400 level courses selected by the student

\*300/400 level courses taken at another college/university can be transferred in to MaSU but residency requirement of minimum of 30 SH and two semesters of enrollment must be met



Full-Time Plan of Study Fall Semester Start								
Fall Semester (14 cr.)			Spring Semester (13-14 cr.)			Summer Semester (8-9 cr.)		
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	
**Additional Course (3)			**Additional Course (2-3)			**Additional Course (2-3) if needed		
N350 (3)	N310 (2) N460 (3)	N450 (3)	N360 (4)	N370 (3)	N441 (4)	N470 (4)		N442 (2)

Full-Time Plan of Study Spring Semester Start								
Spring Semester (12-15 cr.)			Summer Semester (6-7 cr.)			Fall Semester (12-15 cr.)		
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
**Additional Course (3)			**Additional Course (2-3)			**Additional Course (2-3) if needed		
N350 (3)	N360 (4)	N370 (3) N310 (2)	Off	N470 (4)	N441 (4)	N450 (3)		N460 (3)
						N442 (2)		

Part-Time Plan of Study Fall Semester Start															
Fall Semester (8 cr.)			Spring Semester (7-10 cr.)			Summer Semester (4 cr.)		Fall Semester (9 cr.)			Spring Semester (6-7 cr.)			Summer Semester (2 cr.)	
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2
**Stats (3)			**Stats (3) if needed					**Additional Course (3)			**Additional Course (2-3)				
N350 (3)	N310 (2)	Off	N360 (4)	N370 (3)	Off	N470 (4)	Off	Off	N460 (3)	N450 (3)	Off	Off	N441 (4)	N442 (2)	

Part-Time Plan of Study Spring Semester Start																
Spring Semester (5 cr.)			Summer Semester (6 cr.)		Fall Semester (6 cr.)			Spring Semester (7 cr.)			Summer Semester (4 cr.)		Fall Semester (8-9 cr.)			
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
			**Stats (3) **Additional Course (3)										**Additional Course (2-3)			
N350 (3)	Off	N310 (2)			N441 (4)	N442 (2)		Off	N360 (4)	N370 (3)	Off	N470 (4)	Off	Off	N450 (3)	N460 (3)

The initial term of this agreement shall be for three years, effective when signed by the parties listed below, and shall automatically renew for one year terms, unless terminated by either party. This agreement will be reviewed each year thereafter by the Director/Chair from both nursing programs. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties hereto and all previous communications between the parties, whether written or oral, with reference to the subject matter of this agreement are hereby suspended.

The parties, by the signature of their authorized representative (s), hereby acknowledge that they have read this agreement, understand it and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

**Mayville State University**

Brian Van Horn  
Dr. Brian Van Horn, President

1-16-20  
Date

[Signature]  
Dr. Keith Stenejem, Vice President for Academic Affairs

01/15/2020  
Date

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Dr. Tami Such, Nursing Division Chair and Associate Professor of Nursing

1/16/20  
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