GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS AGREEMENT

between

LEHIGH CARBON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

and

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

for

Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing

to

Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (online)

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this ______ day of ______

2018, between Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education and Lehigh Carbon Community College.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual promises hereinafter expressed and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

INTRODUCTION

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania and Lehigh Carbon Community College agree to establish this program-to-program guaranteed admissions agreement whereby students who complete the requirements for the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree in Nursing and meet the admission requirements as stated in this agreement may enter the fifth semester with at least full junior standing in Bloomsburg University's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) online Degree program. The purposes of this agreement are:

- To demonstrate the establishment of a seamless Program to Program guaranteed admissions agreement that involves the participating community college and a 4-year Bachelor Degree granting institution.
- 2. To enable qualified graduates of the Lehigh Carbon Community College A.A.S. in Nursing to build upon their education by earning a B.S.N. degree.
- 3. To enable Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania to attract a more diverse population of students to the B.S.N. program.
- To enable community college graduates to obtain a quality education at a low cost, and, in doing so, provide the Commonwealth with qualified nurses with a baccalaureate degree.

5. To ensure recognition of the continuity of academic progress and transferability of credits between two-year and four-year programs.

PROCEDURES

Lehigh Carbon Community College (hereinafter referred to as "LCCC") agrees to publicize this guaranteed admissions agreement to prospective students in LCCC admissions literature and as part of regular student recruitment, and inform qualified students matriculating at LCCC of the opportunity for admission to Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as Bloomsburg University) under the terms of this agreement.

The following items are the responsibility of students participating in the guaranteed admissions program:

- 1. Complete an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree in Nursing at LCCC with a GPA of 2.0 or greater.
- 2. At the time of application to Bloomsburg University, provide official high school transcripts or GED and official transcripts of all college courses taken up to and including the previous semester. The application fee will be waived.
- 3. Upon receiving the associate degree, LCCC students are responsible for providing a final official transcript to Bloomsburg University.
- 4. Students must pay Bloomsburg University tuition and fees when completing Bloomsburg University courses.
- 5. Students must successfully pass the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX) prior to beginning Bloomsburg University Nursing courses.

The following items will apply to all matriculated students who have earned Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree in Nursing at LCCC:

- A block transfer of 72 credits will be accepted from LCCC for graduates of the Nursing A.A.S. degree. Additional courses not used to satisfy requirements in the A.A.S. Nursing degree will be evaluated for transfer credit on a course-by-course basis for up to a total of 78 credits (see Appendix A). Therefore, up to 6 additional credits that qualify for required GEP courses may be earned at LCCC as noted in Appendix A. The student must complete 30 of their last 60 credits at Bloomsburg University to be granted the BSN. Credits earned at a college or institution which does not hold accreditation by a regional accrediting body will not transfer.
- 2. Bloomsburg University recognizes the A.A.S. degree may be certified and confirmed by the completion of community college courses, dual admission credits, transfer course credits, life experience portfolio credits, developmental course credits, , articulated credits from Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, CLEP testing, AP courses,

military training credits and any other courses or learning elements that have been accepted by the community college as meeting the requirements for their A.A.S. degree.

- 3. Bloomsburg University assumes the A.A.S. degree graduate has fulfilled thirty (30) General Education Points (GEP's) reflective of MyCore, Bloomsburg University's General Education program. Students will fulfill their remaining ten (10) GEP's earned through the required courses in the Bloomsburg University BSN program. These points will be earned by the prescribed courses that have been identified and delivered in the program to meet the graduation requirements for the BSN major.
- 4. Students who elect to change their major at Bloomsburg University will receive a new transfer evaluation using the standard course-by-course method of evaluation.

CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT

- 1. Each institution will identify an appropriate contact person who will monitor compliance with the terms of this agreement.
- 2. The term of this agreement shall be five (5) years commencing when all applicable signatures are obtained.
- 3. Either institution may withdraw from the Agreement upon written notification of the other, except that commitments already in effect for students who have applied to Bloomsburg University will be honored. In the event of a substantial breach such as a lack of response to requests for information or a lack of adequate participation, either party may terminate this agreement.
- 4. The relationship of the parties to this contract shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture, or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.
- 5. Neither of the parties shall assume any liabilities as a result of this agreement. As to liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit Bloomsburg University's nor LCCC's rights, claims or defenses, which arise as a matter of law pursuant to any provisions of this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit the sovereign immunity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education or Bloomsburg University.
- 6. This agreement represents the understanding between the parties at this time.
- 7. This agreement can be modified only in writing with the same formality as the original agreement.
- 8. This agreement shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed pursuant to due and legal action authorizing the same to be done the date first written above.

For Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania:

Bashar W. Hanna, Ph. President

5.3.2018

Date

For Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania:

James Krause, Interim Provost and

Senior Vice President

For Lehigh Carbon Community College:

Ann D. Bieber, Ph.D President

For Lehigh Carbon Community College:

Thomas W. Mever, Ph.D. Vice President for Academic Services and Student Development

<u>5 /2/18</u> Date

For Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education:

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LCCC COURSE NUMBER	COURSE NAME	CREDITS	BU COURSE NUMBER	COURSE NAME	GEPS	CREDITS
General Educat	ion Requirements					
ENG 105	College English 1 or Research Composition	3	ENG101	Foundations of Writing	Goal 1	3
ENG 111	Speech	3	COM103	Public Speaking	Goal 1	3
BIO 163	A&PI	4	BIO 173	A&PI	0	4
BIO 164	A&P11	4	BIO 174	A&P II	0	4
BIO 220	Intro to Microbiology	4	BIO 242	Microbiology	Goal 5	3
PSY 145	Lifespan Psychology	3	PSYCH 210	Lifespan Psychology	0	3
PSY 140	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYCH 101	General Psychology	Goal 6	3
SOC 150 SOC 151	Intro to Sociology or Modern Social Problems	3	SOC 211 SOC 213	Principles of Sociology or Cont. Social Problems	Goal 6	3
PHI 205	Intro to Ethics	3	PHIL 297	Ethics	Goal 4	3
ENG 106	College English II or Intro to Literature	3	**ENG151 INSTUDY204	College Writing Intro to College Research Writing	Goal 1 & 2	3
MAT 150	Intro to Probability and Statistics	3	*MATH 141	Statistics	Goal 3	3
Total: 36			Total:			35
Course which ca	an be advised to take and transfe	r in	Bloomsburg Req	uired Courses		
	None		POLISCI181	Contemporary Issues in World Politics	Goal 1, 2 & 10	3
BUS 231	Principles of Management	3	***MGMT 199	Business Management Transfer	0	3
	None		COMMSTUD31 3	Conflict Management	0	3
	None		ECON150	Intro to Health Economics	0	3
	None		PHIL290	Medical Ethics	Goal 4	3
EDU 105	Intro to Special Education	3	SPECED101	Intro to Exceptionalities	Goal 4 & 10	3
Total:		6	Total:			24
Total Possible T	ransfer Credit	42				
Block RN Credits 36		36	I. Required Nursing Courses (19 credits)			
Total		78	NURSING 305	Role Development for the Prof	Goal 2	3
			NURSING 306	Introduction to Nursing Research	0	3
			NURSING 451	Transcultural Health	Goal 2 & 4	3
			NURSING 310	Family Nursing 1	Goal 4	2
			NURSING 314	Nursing Care of Older Adults	0	2
			NURSING 100	Personal Health	Goal 9 & 10	3
			NURSING 230	Drug Use & Abuse in Society	Goal 2 & 10	3
		L	Total:			19
		Г	II. Required Clinical	Sequence (9 credits)		
			NURSING 410	Public Health Nursing 4	Goal 4 & 10	5
		F	NURSING 414	Leadership & Management	0	4
		ŀ	Total: Block of 36 Credits	tiven for RN	Total:	36
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* Bloomsburg University Required General Education courses for the RN-BSN program to meet Goals 1, 2, & 3 (MATH 141 – Statistics and INSTUDY 204 Intro to College Research Writing).

** ENG 151 can be substituted for the required INSTUDY204.

*** MGMT199 can be substituted for the required MGMT244