

**Articulation Agreement**  
**Arkansas Rural Nursing Education Consortium (ARNEC)**  
**AND**  
**Central Methodist University (CMU)**  
**For Associate of Arts/Science**

This formal articulation agreement is made and entered into by Central Methodist University, hereinafter referred to as CMU, and Arkansas Rural Nursing Education Consortium, hereinafter referred to as ARNEC, which is a consortium of the following schools: ASU-Newport, Black River Technical College, Cossatot Community College, Ozarka College, South Arkansas Community College, U of A Hope/Texarkana, U of A Morrilton, and U of A Rich Mountain. By entering into this agreement, ARNEC and CMU express our mutual commitment to serve students in Arkansas by providing high quality educational programs and services. This agreement provides information for transfer of the general transfer degree program.

**Purpose**

These two institutions seek to assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate degree to the baccalaureate degree by clarifying transfer policies and procedures between programs. Both institutions recognize the value and benefit of the completion of the AA/AS degree as the first two years of a baccalaureate degree prior to transfer. Participation in this agreement requires commitment on the part of the student and both institutions involved.

CMU will apply such to the Bachelor of Science degree in a manner consistent with the treatment of native students.

For ARNEC students entering focused programs, CMU will credit designated ARNEC courses as defined in an addendum to this agreement.

**Condition of Transfer**

*Section I: Admissions and Matriculation*

ARNEC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protections as CMU native students enrolled under a specific catalog. Criteria for acceptance into CMU will be the same for transfer as for native students.

Upon request of students, ARNEC will provide verification of completed course to CMU, through its (Admissions/Registration) office.

Transfer students from ARNEC will have access to financial aid, advising and other student services on the same basis as native students.

CMU will apply the same academic progress and graduation standards to students who transferred from ARNEC as those applied to native students.

ARNEC and CMU will cooperatively develop, regularly review, and update advisement materials. This will enable students to meet the terms of this agreement and transfer to CMU with maximum ease.

ARNEC will advise interested students on the availability of the articulation agreement and the opportunities available to them by participating.

ARNEC and CMU will publicize the existence of the articulation agreement. Use of either institution's name and/or log in mass marketing materials requires mutual agreement negotiated between both marketing departments.

### *Section II: Transfer Credit*

There is no maximum of credit hours that will be accepted by CMU of ARNEC to be applied to the Bachelor's Degree.

Students will need to earn 30 hours of upper divisional coursework in order to graduate, and the last 30 hours must be taken from CMU.

CMU will accept courses that are equivalent in rigor and content to its current curriculum in which a D or higher is earned unless a higher grade is required by a specific program.

Developmental course will not be accepted in transfer.

Representatives from advisement staffs of ARNEC and CMU will develop and annually review Transfer Guides that will provide information on programs and requirements. The Transfer Guides are a part of this agreement and provide degree opportunities covered by this agreement.

### *Section III: Program Plan*

Focused program agreements will be incorporated as addenda to this agreement. Each will specify student degree course plan and credit transfer requirements. Such addenda will be effective when signed by the Chief Academic Officer of each institution.

## **Terms of Agreement**

This agreement is made and entered into the academic year 2018-2019 and remains in effect here forth. Both institutions hereby indicated full agreement to the terms and conditions included above and the honoring of the course, program and other requirements outlined in the Transfer Guides attached as appendices to this agreement. The agreement may be amended at any time with approval of both institutions and is subject to review every five years to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either institution desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notifications of two years (24 months) will be required.

**Signatures**

Arkansas Rural Nursing Education Consortium (ARNEC) and Central Methodist University (CMU) hereby enter into this articulation agreement leading from the Associate in Arts/Science to the Bachelor of Science by the affixing of signatures of the Chief Executive officers of representative, of both institutions.

*Diana M. Arn*

Diana Arn  
Governing Board Chair  
Arkansas Rural Nursing Education Consortium (ARNEC)

6-4-18

Date

*Rita Gulstad*

Dr. Rita Gulstad  
Provost  
Central Methodist University (CMU)

6-29-18

Date

**Arkansas Rural Nursing  
Education Consortium (ARNEC)**

Prerequisite Courses	Credits
Anatomy & Physical I with Lab	4
Anatomy & Physical II with Lab	4
Microbiology with Lab	4
English Composition I	3
English Composition II	3
Math for Nurses	3
General Psychology	3
Nutrition	3
Developmental Psychology	
OR Human Growth & Development	3
OR Lifespan Development	
Computer Applications	
OR Introduction to Computers	<u>3</u>
<b>Total General Education Requirements</b>	<b>33</b>
Nursing Core Curriculum	
<b>Spring Semester</b>	
Nursing Process I	9
Nursing Practicum I	3
<b>Summer Semester</b>	
Nursing Process II	6
Nursing Practicum II	3
<b>Fall Semester</b>	
Nursing Process III	8
Nursing Practicum III	3
NCLEX-RN Prep	<u>1</u>
<b>Total Completion Credits for AAS in Nursing</b>	<b>66</b>

**Central Methodist University  
(CMU)**

Prerequisite Courses	Credits
<b>Summer Semester</b>	
College Algebra *	3
Prof. Nursing Pract	3
<b>Fall Semester Term 1</b>	
Adaptive Health & Assess	3
Public Speaking *	3
<b>Fall Semester Term 2</b>	
Health Informatics	3
Data Analysis	3
<b>Spring Semester Term 1</b>	
Research Nursing	3
Adaptive Nursing Community	4
Art Appreciation *	3
<b>Spring Semester Term 2</b>	
Historical Trends Nursing	3
Leadership & Management	
<b>Summer Semester</b>	
Introduction to Literature *	3
Expository Writing	3
<b>Fall Semester Term 1</b>	
Business Concepts	
Integrated Concepts Adaptive Nursing **	5
<b>Fall Semester Term 2</b>	
Religion Human Adventure *	3
US History I	<u>3</u>
<b>Total Completion Credits for BSN in Nursing</b>	<b>54</b>

\* Courses can be taken elsewhere or CMU

\*\* Course tends to run longer than eight weeks