

Transfer Agreement

Between



Arkansas Rural Nursing Education Consortium:

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

and



JOHN BROWN UNIVERSITY

John Brown University

Effective Academic Year: 2019-20

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PROGRAM TRANSFER AGREEMENT

SECTION I: *PURPOSE*

This formal transfer agreement is made and entered into by John Brown University, hereinafter referred to as JBU, 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 this agreement JBU and ARNEC engage in a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By clarifying transfer policies and procedures, which assure articulation between programs, the institutions assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree. The Transfer Guides are a part of this agreement and provide degree opportunities covered by this agreement.

Upon formal approval of this transfer agreement by the appropriate officials of both institutions, each is free to publicize the terms herein.

SECTION II: *AGREEMENT PROVISIONS*

Students will meet or exceed admission requirements with ARNEC upon enrollment in the designated degree program. Performance and curricular deficiencies will be met prior to transfer to JBU and in accordance with the remediation policies of the college.

Students who begin their degree program during the effective academic year at the designated college, maintain continuous enrollment, and graduate with the designated degree/program are eligible to transfer to JBU under the terms of this agreement.

Students under this agreement who complete the designated program of courses and apply to JBU with a retention GPA of 2.5 or higher will be eligible for admission the JBU.

When students matriculate to JBU, they may apply for financial aid through the Financial Aid Office of JBU.

SECTION III: *Requirements*

1. Courses in this agreement are accepted at JBU, as specified, and apply to the student's baccalaureate degree program in the same manner as non-transferring students. Students wishing to transfer into a program not specified in this agreement may also contact the registrar's office at JBU for transfer assistance.

2. Students transferring may need to complete additional coursework in order to meet current degree requirements. JBU courses are continuously assessed and improved to meet changing educational needs. Transfer students will receive the same treatment and protection relative to course changes afforded to non-transferring students.

3. ARNEC schools agree to invite JBU recruitment to transfer fairs and other campus events that might assist with furthering this relationship agreement. ARNEC advisors will give students that information and access to documentation related to this agreement during the advising process.
4. ARNEC schools agree to provide contact information (student emails) for upcoming graduates for the Nursing programs under the provision of this transfer agreement.
5. JBU will create and maintain a landing page specific for ARNEC students to streamline the application process.
6. JBU will provide marketing and promotional materials.
7. JBU will be supportive and provide timely responses to all inquiries and applicants.
8. JBU will provide a representative as often as can be scheduled and arranged with some notice.
9. JBU will provide **if available** a classroom or space on the Little Rock campus, for meetings and networking. Events must be scheduled at least one week in advance.

SECTION IV: UPDATES/REVIEW/DISCLAIMER

This agreement is subject to change by legislative action, the Department of Education, or external governing/accrediting agencies.

This agreement will be reviewed annually by the appropriate department at JBU and ARNEC and revised according to University and ARNEC procedures. This review will take place in the spring, in order to incorporate program changes for the subsequent academic year.

Any revisions to the original Program Transfer Agreement will be communicated to all signatories of the original agreement as well as appropriate individuals on appropriate campuses. This agreement may be discontinued by either institution as need arises upon written notification to the other institution prior to the termination date.

Both institutions are committed to the partnership and the success of the student in pursuit of this degree program. Both parties will work toward ensuring that currently enrolled students have the opportunity to complete their degree program effectively and efficiently.