



**RN to BSN/MSN Express Plus Degree Program  
Articulation Agreement**

**Between**

**William Paterson University  
College of Science and Health  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing  
Master of Science in Nursing**

**And**

**The County College of Morris  
Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing**

The County College of Morris and William Paterson University (WP) recognize the need to provide community college students with accessible, affordable, and quality postsecondary education opportunities. In response to this need, The County College of Morris and WP are partnering to create this RN to BSN/MSN Express Plus Program Articulation Agreement. Under this agreement, The County College of Morris graduates who are registered nurses can transfer up to ninety (90) credits, which are guaranteed to count toward the nursing baccalaureate degree at WP. Sixty credits will transfer in from the AAS diploma in nursing at The County College of Morris and another 30 credits will be granted (as a block) upon obtaining the RN license. In this agreement, “express” means the student will be awarded thirty (30) credits for having a valid and unencumbered U.S. RN license and “plus” means the student will obtain twelve (12) credits to count towards their MSN degree in nursing while paying undergraduate tuition rates.

This program will allow any The County College of Morris nursing graduate who completes their Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing in good academic standing and has a valid and unencumbered U.S. RN license in any state in the U.S. or its territories, an easy and affordable way to complete their bachelor’s degree, either online or in-person, with the opportunity for earning simultaneous credits toward the master’s in Nursing (MSN) in one of four specialized areas: Family Nurse Practitioner, Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner, Nursing Education, and Nursing Administration.

Admissions Criteria

AAS RN students who have been admitted to the clinical phase of the program at The County College of Morris will be conditionally admitted to this RN to BSN/MSN Express Plus Degree Program at William Paterson University. As long as they have the required GPA for admittance at the time of completing the

associate's degree or diploma and an RN license, they will be accepted into the RN to BSN/MSN program. This opportunity offers students a clear academic pathway to the William Paterson University BS in Nursing, with "peace of mind" in knowing that all of their credits will transfer and that they will have a jump-start on their MSN.

To be eligible to transfer into the RN to BSN, students must have graduated from The County College of Morris with an associate's degree or diploma in nursing and have earned at least sixty (60) credits. Students will be required to complete the last thirty (30) credits for the BSN at WP, either online or in-person. An Elementary Statistics class is required prior to taking NUR 3500 (Nursing Research) at WP. Students may choose to complete this at The County College of Morris or at WP. If students choose to take an Elementary Statistics class at WP, these three (3) credits would be in addition to the thirty (30) WP credits required for the bachelor's degree in nursing. For students who choose to take an Elementary Statistics class at The County College of Morris, MAT 130 Probability & Statistics is equivalent to MATH 1300 Elementary Statistics at WP.

Students will follow all standard procedures for application, including requesting and submitting all official transcripts listing prior college credits earned from each institution they attended. WP requires all original transcripts to ensure that students obtain the maximum amount of transfer credit possible.

#### Simultaneous Undergraduate/Graduate Credit

Significantly, while working on the BSN degree at William Paterson University, the student can simultaneously earn twelve (12) credits towards a William Paterson University Master of Science degree in Nursing (MSN) at the undergraduate tuition rate. These credits will count towards both a BSN and MSN. Students are encouraged to pursue the MSN at William Paterson University if they obtained a grade of B or higher in the 12 graduate credits and achieved a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

**Appendix A**  
**Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing at The County College of Morris**

**And**

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing at William Paterson University**

The RN-BSN student will complete a total of 30 credits including 12 graduate credits at WPU:

Undergraduate Courses:

NUR 3500 Nursing Research	(3 credits)
NUR 4252 Dimensions of Public Health Post Licensure	(3 credits)
NUR 4280 Healthcare Economics	(3 credits)
NUR 4305 Leadership & Professional Practice	(3 credits)
NUR 4307 Leadership Seminar	(3 credits)
NUR 4361 Nursing Practice for RN-BSN	(3 credits)

Graduate Courses\*:

NUR 5461 Advanced Pathophysiology	(3 credits)
NUR 5701 Population Health & Legislation	(3 credits)
NUR 6001 Advanced Health Assessment of the Adult Client	(3 credits)
NUR Elective: NUR 5081 Role of APN (3 credits) or NUR 6011 Adv. Pharmacology	(3 credits)

Elementary Statistics Requirement (can be taken at The County College of Morris or WP):

<b>The County College of Morris</b>	<b>William Paterson University</b>
MAT 130 Probability & Statistics	MATH 1300 Elementary Statistics

\*For these courses to be credited in the MSN program at WP, the student must achieve a grade of B and higher. The student must also maintain a GPA to 3.0 to matriculate in the MSN program.

## Appendix B

### Master of Science in Nursing- Family Nurse Practitioner at William Paterson University

#### Core Courses:

NUR 5001 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing  
NUR 5801 The Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse  
NUR 6021 Nursing Research Strategies: Translational Science  
NUR 5701 Population Health, Legislation, and Social Policy  
NUR 5461 Advanced Pathophysiology  
NUR 6001 Advanced Health Assessment of the Adult Client

#### NP Concentration Courses:

NUR 6011 Advanced Pharmacology  
NUR 6111 Advanced Nursing Practice I  
NUR 6121 Advanced Nursing Practice II  
NUR 6130 Advanced Practice III  
NUR 6210 Advanced Health Assessment for FNP  
NUR 6041 Advanced Nursing Practicum I  
NUR 7011 Advanced Nursing Practicum II  
NUR 7070 Advanced Nursing Practicum III

#### FNP Nursing Role Practicum:

NUR 7253 Advanced Nursing Role Practicum for FNP

## Appendix C

### Master of Science in Nursing- Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner at William Paterson University

#### Core Courses:

NUR 5001 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing  
NUR 5081 The Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse  
NUR 6021 Nursing Research Strategies: Translational Science  
NUR 5701 Population Health, Legislation, and Social Policy  
NUR 5461 Advanced Pathophysiology  
NUR 6001 Advanced Health Assessment of the Adult Client

#### NP Concentration Courses:

NUR 6011 Advanced Pharmacology  
NUR 6111 Advanced Nursing Practice I  
NUR 6121 Advanced Nursing Practice II  
NUR 6041 Advanced Nursing Practicum I  
NUR 7011 Advanced Nursing Practicum II

#### Adult Gerontology Nursing Role Practicum:

NUR 7252 Advanced Nursing Role Practicum for AGNP

## Appendix D

### Master of Science in Nursing- Nursing Administration at William Paterson University

#### Core Courses:

NUR 5001 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing  
NUR 6021 Nursing Research Strategies: Translational Science  
NUR 5701 Population Health, Legislation, and Social Policy

#### Administration Concentration Courses:

NUR 6070 Principles of Nursing Administration  
NUR 6080 Financial Management of Community  
NUR 6062 Healthcare Data Analytics  
MKT 6085 Marketing for Decision-Making  
ACCT 6065 Financial Accounting for Decision-Makers  
ECON 6095 Economic Analysis for Decision-Makers  
MGT 6045 Foundations of Management  
MBA 6055 Statistics for Decision-Making  
FIN 6075 Finance for Decision-Makers

#### Administration Role Nursing Role Practicum:

NUR 7255 Advanced Nursing Role Practicum for the Administrator

## Appendix E

### Master of Science in Nursing- Nursing Education at William Paterson University

#### Core Courses:

NUR 5001 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing  
NUR 5081 The Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse  
NUR 6021 Nursing Research Strategies: Translational Science  
NUR 5701 Population Health, Legislation, and Social Policy  
NUR 5461 Advanced Pathophysiology  
NUR 6001 Advanced Health Assessment of the Adult Client  
NUR 6011 Advanced Pharmacology

#### Administration Concentration Courses:

NUR 6050 Curriculum Development  
NUR 6061 Classroom Teaching Strategies  
NUR 7060 Clinical Teaching Strategies

#### Education Role Nursing Role Practicum:

NUR 7254 Advanced Nursing Role Practicum for the Nurse Educator