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Program: Nurse Education

Brief Description: Memorandum of Understanding with Victoria College for the RN to BSN Program REVISED - Has already been reviewed by Augie Rivera.

I have reviewed this document and my signature/initials convey that the information is accurate and complete.

<u>NAME/TITLE</u>	<u>INITIALS</u>	<u>DATE SIGNED</u>
1.) Jennifer McWha, Chair, Nurse Education Department	<i>JM</i>	<i>7-7-25</i>
2.) Jennifer Sramek, Dean, Business, Entrepreneurship and Health Sciences	<i>JS</i>	<i>7/8/25</i>
3.) Jessica Alaniz, Executive Director of Administration	<i>JAA</i>	<i>07/09/2025</i>
4.) Jonda Halcomb, Vice President/Chief Academic Office	<i>JH</i>	<i>7/10/25</i>
5.) Augie Rivera, General Counsel	<i>AR</i>	
6.) Mark Escamilla, President and CEO	<i>ME</i>	<i>7/21/25</i>

**Memorandum of Understanding
Victoria College
And
Del Mar College District**

Purpose & Intent

This Memorandum of Understanding ("Agreement") recognizes that Victoria College (VC) on behalf of its Associate Degree Nursing Program and Del Mar College District (DMC) on behalf of its RN to BSN Program are educational partners committed to enhancing the transfer student experience between our institutions.

DMC and VC (also referred to herein "Participants") have partnered to provide an innovative and collaborative pathway from the Associate Degree in Nursing to the Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing. With the RN-BSN Enrollment Program, students can pursue a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree, gaining knowledge and skills that support career advancement.

The RN-BSN Program provides a pathway for select students to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). VC students shall complete course requirements as describe herein. Participants must complete specific general education and prerequisite courses required by Del Mar. Upon acceptance, participants complete academic courses as required. The VC faculty and staff will collaborate with participants to provide student advisement and support.

**ARTICLE I
ORIGINAL TERM, AMENDMENT, RENEWAL, AND TERMINATION**

1. This Agreement shall become effective as to each participating Institution of higher education upon execution of this Agreement.
2. Amendments to this Agreement and its Appendices must be in writing and approved by the designated representatives of each participant.
3. Any Participant to this Agreement may terminate its participation in this Agreement with any other Participant by providing six (6) months prior written notice to the other Participant.
4. This Agreement shall be reviewed every three years and will be automatically renewed for a successive three-year term unless a Participant to the Agreement, at least six months prior to the end of any term, gives written notice of its intent to amend the agreement or terminate its participation in this Agreement.
5. In the event of termination under either paragraph 3 or 4 of this section, enrolled students shall be permitted to complete their current program at the terminating Party's option.

**ARTICLE II
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

VC agrees to:

1. Maintain approval from the Texas Board of Nursing and national accreditation for the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
2. The associate degree programs will provide a 60 semester-credit- hour nursing program of study and also provide the ability for students to complete the Texas Common Core so that students seeking entry into the RN to BSN program will have completed 90 semester credit hours. At least one curriculum plan will include chemistry. (See Appendix A)
3. Promote RN to BSN opportunity on campus and the VC website.
4. Invite DMC to promote at VC transfer fairs and events.

5. Designate a point of contact for all initiatives within this agreement.

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DMC agrees to:

1. A student transferring from VC under the terms of this Agreement shall be governed by the graduation requirements set forth in the Del Mar College District Catalog in effect at the time of the student's initial enrollment at DMC; provided however, that the student maintains continuous enrollment as defined in the student catalog.
2. DMC will send an annual list of the number of VC transfers who graduate from the RN to BSN program at Del Mar to the VC partnerships representative.

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3. Maintain approval from the Texas Board of Nursing and national accreditation for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing RN to BSN program.
4. Designate a point of contact for all initiatives within this agreement.
5. Accept credit hours earned at VC as described below in the curriculum chart. See Appendix A)
 - 36 SCH earned in Associate of Applied Science degree
 - 54 sch General Education coursework

FERPA Release of Information

It will be essential that the participating higher education institutions are able to share and access academically pertinent data; therefore, the Home Institution designates the Host as having a legitimate educational interest in the relevant educational records of students who participate in this agreement. Institutions will maintain confidentiality of the education records in accordance with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

**ARTICLE III
INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS**

Relationships: Each participant intends that each Party's relationship to any other at all times and for all purposes under this Agreement is to be that of an independent contractor. No Party is considered an agent or employee of any other Party for any purpose, and no Party, nor any of its agents, employees, or students is entitled to any of the benefits that other Parties provides its employees, unless specifically provided otherwise in this Agreement. This Agreement shall not create any rights in any third parties, specifically any students participating in the program.

**ARTICLE IV
LIABILITY**

Liability: Each Party will be responsible for its tortious acts and those of its officers, employees or agents except to the extent that Texas law limits liability of a public institution, its officers, agents and employees.

**ARTICLE V
SEVERABILITY**

If any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid for any reason, the invalidity of that section shall not affect the validity of any other section of this agreement provided that any invalid provision is not material to the overall purpose and operations of this Agreement. The remaining provisions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated.

**ARTICLE VI
DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

Dispute Resolution: The participants agree that they will attempt to resolve any dispute between them arising out of or related to this Agreement at the lowest appropriate level of administration possible. If a dispute continues to be unresolved, the Deans for each affected party shall be advised of the issue and shall meet to negotiate an acceptable resolution within 60 days of notice of the dispute.

Name of Participating RN to BSN Program: Del Mar College District

Signature Department of Nurse Education

Signature Authorized College Representative

Date: _____

Date: 7/21/25

Name of Participating College: Victoria College

Signature Dean of Allied Health Division

Signature Executive Vice President – Chief Academic Officer

Date: 9/11/25

Date: 8/4/25

Appendix A

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Lower Division General Education Courses	
Minimum Grade of C Required	Minimum Grade of D Required
BIOL 2401 – Anatomy & Physiology I (030)	ENGL 1302 – Composition II (010)
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ENGL 1301 – Composition I (010)	GOVT 2305 – Federal Government (070)
PSYC 2301 – General Psychology (080)	GOVT 2306 – Texas Government (070)
SPCH Core Elective (090)	HIST 1301 – US History I
PHIL 2306 or PHIL 1301 – (040)	HIST 1302 – US History II
CHEM 1406 – Introductory Chemistry	Creative Arts Core Elective (050)
BIOL 2420 – Microbiology	PSYC 2314 – Human Growth & Development
EDUC 1300 – Learning Frameworks*	
Total General Education	55
Associate Degree Nursing	36 (Includes HPRS 2300 – Pharmacology)
Baccalaureate Degree Nursing	30
TOTAL	120 credit hours

*Satisfies 2-credit hour elective requirement.

Completion of the education plan as presented allows students to graduate with an Associates Degree in Nursing (ADN) at Victoria College and enter into an agreement with the participating RN to BSN program at Del Mar College District. The agreement requires an additional 30 upper division nursing hours towards a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree at Del Mar College District.

CORE CURRICULUM COURSE REQUIREMENTS Del Mar College District 2024-2025 (42 Credit Hours)

[010] Communications Foundational Component Area (3 Credit Hours)

Courses in this category focus on developing ideas and expressing them clearly, considering the effect of the message, fostering understanding, and building the skills needed to communicate persuasively. Courses involve the command of oral, aural, written, and visual literacy skills that enable people to exchange messages appropriate to the subject, occasion and audience.

ENGL 1301	Composition I
ENGL 1302	Composition II
ENGL 2311	Technical and Business Writing
SPCH 1311	Introduction to Speech Communication
SPCH 1315	Fundamentals of Public Speaking
SPCH 1321	Business and Professional Communication

[020] Mathematics Foundational Component Area (3 Credit Hours)

