# WVU Medicine Center for Nursing Education Policy and Procedure Manual

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#### TRANSFER OF CREDITS POLICY

#### SCOPE:

For all Center for Nursing Education (CNE) prospective and enrolled students wishing to transfer credits

### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of our transfer of credits policy is to facilitate a seamless and equitable process for students seeking to transfer previously earned academic credits from other institutions. This policy aims to recognize and appropriately assess the value of prior learning experiences, ensuring that students can maximize the transferability of their credits while maintaining the academic standards and integrity of our institution. By establishing clear guidelines and criteria for credit evaluation, we aim to support students in their educational journey, promote efficiency in degree completion, and uphold the overall quality of our academic programs. This policy seeks to strike a balance between recognizing the diverse learning paths of our students and maintaining the academic rigor and coherence of our programs.

#### POLICY:

- Transfer credits for courses already taken must be reconciled at the time of admission.
- Students have the ability to transfer the program's required general studies credits as they progress through the nursing program as outlined in the catalog and progression plan.
- The general studies required for graduation may be taken at any college or university of choice upon completion and approval of the Course Transfer Request Form.
  - It is recommended that students who want to pursue a baccalaureate or higher degree in the future take the general studies courses from a regionally-accredited institution.
- Nursing course credit will be awarded based on course content, outcome alignment, level appropriateness, accreditation status, and course equivalency. A grade of 'C' or higher is required for all required courses.
  - A maximum of three postsecondary nursing courses can be transferred into the program.
  - Nursing courses that were started more than 5 years prior to the admission date are not eligible for transfer credit.
- While transfer credits will be considered, students enrolled in a college or university at the time
  of application will be required to follow the same admission process as all other applicants.
  There are no special admission procedures for transfer students. When seeking credit for nursing
  courses, students may be required to demonstrate competency for classes taken. LPNs with an
  active, unencumbered license and who are currently practicing as an LPN, may request credit for

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NURS 101 and NURS 102. Students should review the LPN 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Credit Policy for more details.

## **PROCEDURE:**

- Students complete a Course Transfer Request Form and submit to cneadmissions@wvumedicine.org
- General studies transfer credits will be reviewed and approved by the Admissions Officer and Nursing Program Director.
- Nursing course transfer credits will be reviewed and approved by the Nursing Program Director and AVP, Nursing Education.
- A list of general studies accepted at WV colleges and universities is available in the Office of Student Services. Taking a course that is not on the pre-approved list requires approval from the Nursing Program Director before taking the course.

### **RELATED DOCUMENTS:**

ACEN Policy #25 "Transfer of Credit"

Course Transfer Request Form

**General Studies Credit Table** 

Admission Policy and Procedure

LPN 1st Semester Credit Policy