

**Bucks County Community College – Rider University**  
**Program to Program - Guaranteed Transfer Agreement**  
between  
**Department of Health, Physical Education and Nursing: Nursing, Associate of Arts (2035)**  
from **Bucks County Community College (Bucks)** and the  
**Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) major at Rider University**

In the interest of providing Bucks County Community College students with improved opportunities to excel in higher education, Rider University (Rider) and Bucks County Community College (Bucks) agree to create a Program to Program **Guaranteed Transfer Agreement** between the Nursing, Associate of Arts Program at Bucks and the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) major at Rider University (Rider).

1. Rider University will guarantee transfer admission; waiver of application fee; acceptance of all credits earned with a grade of C or better that count toward the Associate degree in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Nursing Program (2035) and meet Rider University equivalents; and full junior status to all graduates in good standing of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Nursing Program, Associate of Arts degree at Bucks.

Rider University admission will be granted to students who have fulfilled the following criteria:

- A. Declared their participation in this program while enrolled at Bucks by completing the Rider-Bucks Intent to Enroll Form. (Note: Students should be advised to submit their application to the program before they have completed 30 credits at Bucks in order to maximize the efficiency of their transfer to Rider University.)
- B. Followed the appropriate transfer program of prescribed course selections for Rider while at Bucks, listed in the Transfer Advising Guide.
- C. Taken all their courses and completed their Associate degree at Bucks.
- D. Earned a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.50.
- E. Applied for transfer admission by the normal Rider transfer application deadline.

2. This agreement between Bucks and Rider goes into effect immediately upon receipt of the signatures of each institution.
3. This agreement shall be subject to review and renewal every five years.
4. Bucks will provide its students with full information about the Program to Program - Guaranteed Transfer Admission Program that falls under the overall Guaranteed Transfer Agreement with Rider and Bucks. Students under this Program to Program Agreement will be also eligible for the benefits outlined in the Rider-Bucks overall Guaranteed Transfer Agreement.
5. Students who declare their intent to participate will work directly with Bucks' transfer and advising staff to obtain assistance with course selections which fulfill Rider's requirements.
6. Bucks will provide Rider with the names of students who have enrolled in the Program to Program - Guaranteed Transfer Admission Program and Rider will establish communication with the participating students. Students will provide this information and permission to share information when they complete the Bucks-Rider Program to Program – Guaranteed Transfer Admission Intent to Enroll Form.
7. The regular process for transfer admission to Rider will remain available for Bucks students who do not participate in this program, as well as for program participants who do not fulfill the requirements listed in Article 1 of this document.
8. Rider University is committed to making our educational opportunities as affordable as possible. With scholarship and financial aid, transfer students often find Rider's private education is comparable to attending a public college or university. The Bucks transfer student, who holds a GPA of 2.50 to 4.00 on college-level work, is eligible upon the submission of a full-time student application, for consideration for transfer scholarships and grants. In addition, for those students of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) at Bucks County Community College the student may be eligible to receive an annual renewable scholarship. For specific financial aid and scholarship information please access the Rider University website.
9. Bucks students following completion of the Bucks-Rider Guaranteed Transfer Admission Intent to Enroll Form, have the option to take an additional course at Rider that counts toward the Rider degree at no charge. The designated courses require a grade of C or better and allow the Bucks student to experience first-hand the academic environment at Rider. The course credit options are :  
PSY-105, Introduction to Research in Psychology (3 CR)

Agreed this 19th day of February, 2015

For: **Rider University**

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For: **Bucks County Community College**

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## TRANSFER ADVISING GUIDE

### Nursing (2035) (A.A.) from Bucks County Community College to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N) at Rider University

BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSE <i>Nursing (2035)</i>	Cr	RIDER UNIVERSITY COURSE/AREA SATISFIED <i>B.S. Nursing (120 Credits)</i>	Cr
BIOL 181 Human Anatomy & Physiology I <sup>B,F</sup>	4	BIO 221 Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
CHEM 101 Chemistry A <sup>B,F,1</sup>	4	CHE-120 / CHE-121	4
COMP 110 English Composition I <sup>C,B,F,2</sup>	3	CMP 120 Expository Writing	3
NURS 101 Nursing I <sup>F,G</sup>	6	NUR-1XX (Lower Level Nursing Elective)	6
	<b>17</b>		<b>17</b>
BIOL 182 Human Anatomy & Physiology II <sup>A,F</sup>	4	BIO 222 Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIOL 228 Microbiology <sup>A,F</sup>	4	BIO 315 Medical Microbiology	4
HLTH 120N Nutrition <sup>A,5,1</sup>	3	Free Elective	3
NURS 102 Nursing II <sup>A,5,1</sup>	6	NUR-1XX (Lower Level Nursing Elective)	6
	<b>17</b>		<b>17</b>
COMP 111 English Composition II <sup>3,D,F</sup>	3	CMP 125 Research Writing	3
NURS 201 Nursing III <sup>F,G</sup>	9	NUR-1XX (Lower Level Nursing Elective)	9
PSYC 110 Introduction to Psychology <sup>6,D</sup>	3	PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology	3
SOCI 110 Introduction to Sociology <sup>6,D</sup>	3	SOC 101 The Sociological Imagination	3
	<b>18</b>		<b>18</b>
COMM 110 Effective Speaking <sup>4,E,F</sup>	3	COM 104 Speech Communication	3
NURS 202 Nursing IV <sup>F,G,7,8</sup>	9	NUR-2XX (Lower Level Elective)	9
Cultural Perspectives <sup>E,H</sup>	3	Cultural Perspectives Elective <sup>U</sup>	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>67</b>		<b>67</b>

Rider Course Option: Suggest Rider PSY-105, Introduction to Psychology	PSY-105, Introduction to Research in Psychology	3 Credits
Following completion of the Rider Intent to Enroll Form and while a student at Bucks; students have the option to take a course at Rider that counts toward the Rider degree. See Bucks or Rider Transfer Representatives for additional information. Contact information listed below.		

**Bucks County Community College Notes:**

- A Must be taken before or with NURS102.
- B Must be taken before or with NURS101.
- C Placement testing required.
- D Must be taken before or with NURS201.
- E Must be taken before or with NURS202.
- F Course requires prerequisite.
- G Must be CPR certified prior to enrollment.
- H Consult the list of courses approved for this subcategory. Any course may be chosen.
- I HLTH120N sections are taught by a registered dieticians as required by PA State Board of Nursing.
- 1 Satisfies College Level Mathematics or Science
- 2 Satisfies College Level Writing I.
- 3 Satisfies College Level Writing II.
- 4 Satisfies Creative Expression.
- 5 Satisfies Personal Health.
- 6 Satisfies Social Perspectives.
- 7 Satisfies Writing Intensive requirement.

8 Satisfies Integrations of Knowledge requirement

The Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing has approved the Program as stated. An I, D, or F, grade in NURS, prerequisite or corequisite will prevent progression

U Students have a number of options to satisfy this requirement; courses will be evaluated on an individual basis.

**Rider University Footnotes:**

Bucks students may transfer up to 72 credits to Rider University

A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher

A current unrestricted RN License

Background Check

For transfer credit Bucks students must have a grade of "C" or higher in all courses.

**Requirements are subject to change. This Advising Guide is best used in consultation with an advisor.**

**COURSES REMAINING FOR A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN THE RN to BSN AT RIDER UNIVERSITY\***

<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Rider University Course Name or Core Area</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Notes* (if course can be taken at Bucks, indicate course number)</b>
Nursing 400	Professionalism & Professional Values	3	
Nursing 401	Organizational & Healthcare Systems Leadership	3	
Nursing 402	Scholarship for Evidence-Based Practice	3	
Nursing 403	Information Mgmt. & Application of Patient Care Technology	3	
Nursing 404	Healthcare Policy, Finance, & Regulatory Environments	3	
Nursing 405	Interprofessional Collaboration & Communication for Improving Healthcare Outcomes	3	
Nursing 406	Population Health & Clinical Prevention Across the Lifespan	3	
Nursing 407	Cultural Diversity in a Global Society	3	
Nursing 408	Gerontological Nursing Concepts for an Aging Society	3	
Nursing 409	Capstone/Evidence-Based Microsystem Practice Change*	3	
	Total:	30	

\* This course is typically completed in a health care setting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT**

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