

# Aspen University

## Kellogg Community College

### Program-to-Program transfer Memorandum of Understanding

Kellogg Community College (KCC) is a public community college based in Battle Creek, Michigan, with sites in Battle Creek, Albion, Coldwater, Hastings, and in Fort Custer Industrial Park. Kellogg Community College is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

The Kellogg Community College Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

Aspen University is a post-secondary higher education institution dedicated to offering any motivated college-worthy student the opportunity to receive a high quality, responsibly priced distance-learning education for the purpose of achieving sustainable economic and social benefits for themselves and their families. Aspen University is accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC). The Accrediting Commission of the DEAC is listed by the U.S. Department of Education as a recognized accrediting agency and is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (<http://www.chea.org>).

Aspen University's School of Nursing and Health Sciences offers Registered Nurses the opportunity to earn their BSN, MSN, and DNP online. The baccalaureate degree program in nursing, the master's degree program in nursing, and the Doctor of Nursing Practice at Aspen University are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.aacnursing.org/CCNE>).

Both institutions acknowledge that each are institutions committed to providing quality educational opportunities and services, and each institution shall not discriminate and is dedicated to serving students from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation, disability, color, age, national origin, medical disabilities/conditions (as defined by law), or any basis prohibited by law.

Kellogg Community College and Aspen University wish to establish this transfer memorandum of understanding (MOU) whereby students graduating from Kellogg Community College's Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree program having earned no less than a grade of C in any course, who possess an unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) license, and who meet the other application requirements of Aspen University, shall:

1. Be awarded sixty nursing course credits in recognition of possession of an unencumbered RN license.
2. Be awarded twenty-six or twenty-seven general education transfer credits (see attached appendix).
3. Be pre-approved for acceptance into Aspen University's ten course (thirty credit) Bachelor of Science in Nursing completion program (RN to BSN).
4. Receive a 10% discount for the RN to BSN program.

Aspen University's RN to BSN degree requires a total of one hundred twenty credits: thirty general education credits plus sixty nursing course credits plus the thirty credits earned in the Aspen University RN to BSN completion program. Per item two above, if fewer than thirty general education transfer

credits are earned in Kellogg Community College's Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree program, it will be necessary for students to:

1. Submit transcripts confirming the completion of the balance of thirty general education courses earning no less than a grade of C in any course from other accredited institutions, or
2. Complete additional general education courses with a grade of C or better at Kellogg Community College, or at Aspen University, or at another accredited institution.

**Aspen University's Bachelor of Science in Nursing completion program (RN to BSN) is a 100% online program consisting of ten courses with start dates every two weeks. The tuition and fees for this program after the 10% discount will be \$9575.00. This cost does not include the cost of textbooks (estimated to be approximately \$1500.00 for the program) or costs incurred from course retakes.**

**For the RN to BSN program, Aspen University offers, as an option to traditional financial aid, a monthly payment plan of \$250.00 per month. The monthly payment plan is a private education loan with 0% fixed rate of interest (0% APR) and no down payment. Each month one payment of \$250.00 is made until the program is paid for.**

Both institutions agree to collaborate in communicating the contents of this transfer MOU and the benefits of Aspen University's RN to BSN program to current Kellogg Community College nursing students. Such communications may possibly include and are not necessarily limited to periodic emails to the nursing students, mentions in student newsletters, displaying program posters and/or providing flyers, displaying links to Aspen University's website on Kellogg Community College's internal intranet or website, informational webinars and videos, site visits by Aspen University's representatives, and/or other activities as appropriate.

This transfer MOU is predicated on the current courses as specified in Kellogg Community College's nursing program as of the date of this MOU and that they will remain unchanged, and as such this MOU shall remain in force for one year where after it will be reviewed for renewal every two years. Any changes to the Kellogg Community College Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree program curriculum, unless submitted to Aspen University for review and accepted by Aspen University by written acknowledgement, will result in the immediate suspension of this MOU.

Either party to this MOU may terminate this MOU for any reason upon thirty days written notice delivered to the below signatory.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Kellogg Community College and Aspen University have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed on the proper authority as of the last date written below.

Agreement signed: May 5, 2021

## Appendix

### Official Credit Evaluation

University/College Name: Kellogg Community College  
Program: Nursing, AAS (2020-2021 Academic Catalog)

### Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Completion Program)

Maximum TC: Thirty Liberal Arts Credits

#### KCC Course Number/Title

Course Code	Course Title	Semester Credits
MATH 102/130	Practical Algebra OR Statistics	3 or 4
BIOL 201	Human Anatomy	4
BIOL 202	Human Physiology	4
ENGL 151	Freshman Composition	3
PSYC 201	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSYC 220	Developmental Psychology	3
SOCI 201	Introduction to Sociology	3
NURS 160	Pharmacology Applications in Nursing Practice	3

#### Aspen University Equivalent

Equivalency Code	Grade Needed to Transfer
Liberal Arts	C or higher

Total Credits: twenty-six or twenty-seven

(If applicant completed the above credits with a grade of C or higher, they will receive twenty-six or twenty-seven liberal arts transfer credits.)

Date Reviewed: November 11, 2020