

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

Southern Regional Technical College (SRTC)
Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (LPN to RN)

AND

Thomas University (TU)

Master of Science in Nursing
(RN – MSN)

July 2026

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Article I Agreement on Principle

Thomas University (TU) and SRTC agree that students who choose to transfer from a community college to a senior college or university to earn a bachelor's or master's degree should be provided with a smooth curriculum transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of coursework. Thomas University and SRTC, therefore, agree to enter into this curriculum articulation agreement for students who complete the Associate Degree in Nursing (LPN – RN) at SRTC and transfer to TU to complete the Master of Science Degree in Nursing (RN – MSN). Both institutions enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

Article II Agreement on Program Specifics

Thomas University and SRTC agree that any student who has successfully completed the minimum requirements of courses outlined in the corresponding articulation tables may transfer the course credits indicated toward a Master of Science in Nursing (RN - MSN) at Thomas University. Students who follow this articulated program agreement must apply and be admitted to Thomas University. SRTC students will receive equal consideration as other students seeking admission and financial aid. The master's degree graduation requirements for students who follow this articulated program agreement are listed in the applicable Thomas University Catalog. Courses approved for transfer are listed in the attached articulation guide tables.

Agreement Requirements

1. Students must complete the specified Associate degree program at SRTC (LPN – RN) and the program of study for a Master of Science Degree in Nursing (RN - MSN) at Thomas University as indicated in the articulation guide. Any course substitutions should be made with the guidance of an advisor or counselor to assure that all requirements are met.
2. Transfer students will be required to complete all Thomas University's general education (core) requirements that have not been satisfied in the Articulation Agreement.
3. Only courses with a grade of "C" or better will be accepted for transfer to Thomas University. A course completed with a grade of less than a "C", if counted toward graduation at SRTC, will not transfer to TU for academic credit and must be repeated if it is a requirement for the Thomas University Master of Science program.
4. Courses accepted for transfer by Thomas University under this agreement shall include all courses listed in Table I: Core Curriculum Requirements, including courses at the 1100 level or higher and BIOL 2113/2113L, BIO 2114/2114L, and BIO 2117/2117L as Core Curriculum Science requirements. These specific courses are guaranteed for transfer; other courses will be considered for transfer toward the degree if they are applicable.

5. To receive a Thomas University master's degree, students must take 54 hours of major program upper division course work at Thomas University.

6. Thomas University participates in the Georgia Articulation Plan for Nursing and will accept all nursing credits completed as part of the Associate of Science in nursing at SRTC. The purpose of this plan is to enable registered nurses to advance their education with minimal loss of credit and/or duplication of knowledge and skills while maintaining the integrity of the educational process and the autonomy of participating programs. The registered nurse articulating to the baccalaureate level will be awarded a minimum of 36 course credit hours for nursing.

Transfer of Credit- Students who have been enrolled at another institution must submit official transcripts from each college or university previously attended to the registrar. The registrar will determine transfer of non-nursing credits. Transfer credit may be given for those courses taken at accredited institutions provided that the courses fall within the scope of Thomas University's curriculum. Acceptability of non-equivalent courses is subject to the approval of the Chair of the Division of Nursing, the Academic Dean, and the Registrar. Students who fail a nursing course at Thomas University and successfully complete a similar course at another institution cannot transfer that course back to Thomas University.

Article III

Agreement on Communication

Thomas University and SRTC agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Communication may include the development of various kinds of publications to inform those who will benefit personally or professionally from the opportunities provided by this agreement. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students, and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to students and prospective students.

Article IV

Maintenance and Review Procedures

At least one administrator or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as agents for the implementation of this agreement, to speak for the institutions, and to communicate changes to respective faculty members, advisors, counselors, and others to whom the information is pertinent. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Registrar at SRTC and the Registrar at Thomas University.

Both parties agree to communicate annually any changes in the respective programs that may have an effect on this articulation agreement. During the third year, both parties will review the agreement for revisions and possible renewal. If the agreement is not renewed by the end of the effective period, students engaged in the articulation program as currently enrolled TU students prior to termination of the agreement will be given three (3) additional years to complete the degree under terms of this agreement.

Effective Period of Agreement: January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029

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SRTC

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And

Thomas University

Master of Science Degree

Nursing (RN – MSN)

We, the representatives of SRTC and Thomas University, agree to the terms of this agreement, which will be for a continuing period of three (3) years.

Signed:



President

Southern Regional Technical College

8/5/26
Date



President

Thomas University

8-5-2026
Date



Vice President for Academic Affairs

Southern Regional Technical College

8/5/26
Date



Provost

Thomas University

8/5/26
Date

ARTICULATION GUIDE

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Table I. Core Curriculum Transfer Course Equivalents

<u>Master of Science in Nursing at TU (RN-MSN)</u> <u>Core Curriculum requirements</u>	<u>Associate in Nursing requirements at SRTC</u> <u>LPN- RN</u>
<u>English (3 credits)</u>	
ENG101 Composition I..... 3	ENG1101 Composition & Rhetoric.....3
<u>Mathematics (3 credits)</u>	Need to take (highlighted in yellow)
STA 250 Introduction to Statistics.....3	STA 250 Statistics.....3
<u>Select One (3 credits)</u>	<u>Select One (3 credits)</u>
ENG102 Composition II..... 3	ENGL1102 Literature and Composition.....3
OR	OR
SPE105 Oral Communication for Professionals.....3	SPE105 Oral Communication for Professionals.....3
<u>Creativity (3 credits)</u>	
HUM 200 Interdisciplinary Study of Humanities..... 3	Humanities/ Fine Arts..... 3
<u>Inquiry (3 credits)</u>	
PSY201 General Psychology..... 3	PSY1101 Intro to Psychology.....3
<u>Required Sciences (12 credits)</u>	
BIO 261 Anatomy & Physiology I.....4	BIO 2113/BIO2113L Anatomy & Physiology I....3/1
BIO 262 Anatomy & Physiology II 4	BIO 2114/BIO2114L Anatomy & Physiology II...3/1
BIO 270 Microbiology4	BIOL2117/2117L Introductory Microbiology....3/1
<u>Nursing credits articulated</u> 31	Nursing credits accepted 31
<u>Open Electives (20 credits)</u>	General Education
CSC120 Microcomputer Applications 3	elective3
Open elective.....3	Student Success 3
Open elective.....3	Degree level
Open elective.....3	Math3
Open elective.....3	Open elective.....3
Open elective.....3	Open elective.....3
Open elective.....2	Open elective.....3
	Open elective.....2

Total..... 78	Core Curriculum Credits Met..... 61 Needs to take..... 17 Total..... 78
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*Approved equivalent courses for remaining Core Curriculum courses may be taken from another regionally-accredited college of university for transfer credit at Thomas University

Table II. Upper Division Nursing Course Requirements

Master of Science in Nursing at TU Upper Division Requirements (RN- MSN)	
BSN Bridge courses (18 credits) (BSN is not awarded)	
NSG 306 Professional Nursing Praxis: Context, Issues, and Trends6	
NSG 311 Health Assessment3	
NSG 452 Evidence-based Practice in Nursing.....3	
NSG 456 Community Health Nursing.....6	
MSN core courses (24 credits)	
NSG 604 Information technology in nursing administration and education.....3	
NSG 606 Advanced theoretical foundations.....3	
NSG 608 Research Designs and methodology.....3	
NSG 610 Policy, law and ethics in nursing.....3	
NSG 614 Global perspectives on population- based health..... 3	
NSG 616 Leadership and financial management strategies..... 3	
NSG 618 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics, Pathophysiology and Health Assessment..... 3	
NSG 690 Graduate elective..... 3	
Nursing Administration Option (12 credits) (Choose nursing administration or education option)	
NSG 632 Human resource management for the nurse Administrator..... 3	
NSG 644 Nursing Administration Internship..... 3	
NSG 646 Capstone Project in Nursing Administration..... 3	
NSG 690 Nursing Administration elective..... 3	
Nursing Education Option (12 credits) (Choose nursing administration or education option)	
NSG 620 Teaching strategies in nursing..... 3	
NSG 622 Curriculum development, assessment and evaluation	

in nursing education.....	3	
NSG 640 Nursing Education internship.....	3	
NSG 642 Capstone project in nursing education.....	3	

Nursing Articulation Credit for Associate Level Coursework

31 semester credits

Core Curriculum Credit Transferred/Articulated

30 semester credits

Core Curriculum Courses still needed

17 semester credits

BSN Bridge Nursing Courses Taken at TU

18 semester credits

MSN Courses taken at TU

36 semester credits

Total for Master of Science in Nursing (RN-MSN)

132 semester credits