Luzerne County Community College Pre-Professional Studies/

Wilkes University Pre-Pharmacy Program

Objectives of this Agreement

This cooperative program between Luzerne County Community College (LCCC) and Wilkes University is a six-year doctorate program leading to the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree. The Pre-Professional Program at LCCC allows academically qualified students to attend LCCC for two years of coursework before transferring to the Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy. Students must be accepted into the LCCC program as freshmen and must complete the first two years of their undergraduate work at LCCC. Because of the LCCC special affiliation with Wilkes University, students who successfully complete the two-year program at LCCC are given preferential consideration for an interview to the professional phase of the Doctor of Pharmacy Program at Wilkes University. If not accepted, students may elect to complete an undergraduate degree at Wilkes University over the course of two more years of study.

Admissions Process for Professional Phase at Wilkes University

Students should apply to Wilkes University by December 15th during their sophomore year at LCCC. All applicants will be placed into a pool of LCCC applicants from which students will be chosen by Wilkes University to interview. Once offered acceptance, students will have two weeks to send their enrollment deposit to Wilkes in order to reserve their space in the program. If the deadline passes without a deposit, the prospective student's space will be given to another student, and they will be placed at the bottom of the applicant wait list.

Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy Requirements

Wilkes University will interview and consider for admission LCCC students in each academic year, who meet the criteria listed below. Candidates for admission to Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy are required to:

- Complete the two-year undergraduate Pre-Professional curriculum at LCCC, including general education curriculum requirements.
- Earn a minimum grade of "C" in all LCCC courses.
- Achieve a minimum of 2.50 or higher for overall and prerequisite Grade Point Average at LCCC.
- Receive three letters of recommendation
- Complete the pharmacy applicant essay
- Acknowledge and agree to abide by the Nesbitt School of Pharmacy Technical Standards

- Complete an interview with the Nesbitt School of Pharmacy
- Provide evidence of leadership potential and commitment to the pharmacy profession.

Joint Obligations of both LCCC and Wilkes University

By signing this Agreement and in accordance with its terms, both LCCC and Wilkes University will:

- 1. Consult with each other through appropriate channels and through designated individuals prior to implementing any changes in policy or curriculum that directly affect LCCC students who are applying to Wilkes University under the terms or this Agreement, and to keep each other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students;
- 2. Review this Agreement annually and make any changes as needed and upon mutual agreement, that will become effective when LCCC and Wilkes University sign the revised document;
- 3. Collaborate in providing students with information about this Agreement and appropriate academic advisement pertaining to academic requirements as well as the process of both applying and transitioning to Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy;
- 4. Jointly agree to develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of this Agreement;
- 5. Provide direct link between LCCC and Wilkes University websites, and directly involve designated individuals who are responsible for website maintenance;
- 6. Designate a representative or representatives who will coordinate and monitor this Agreement between the two institutions;
- 7. Facilitate and support consultation and collaboration between and among the faculty at both institutions as such interaction relates to this Agreement and other academic matters that pertain to the maintenance of student satisfactory academic progress;
- 8. Through the Office of Institutional Research and other designated offices at both institutions exchange data and documents annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this Agreement and promote effective cooperation between both institutions; and,
- 9. Pertaining to Item #8, agree that the exchange of student data and related information can occur <u>after</u> appropriate permission has been obtained from the students, as indicated by the student's signature on the *Student Information Release* form of which must be completed and signed after matriculation at LCCC.

Revision, Renewal, and Termination of this Agreement

The Vice President for Academic Affairs at LCCC and the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs at Wilkes University, or their designates, are responsible for identifying and communicating to each other changes in the policies and/or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Agreement.

This Agreement will be in effect, as of the date of its signing, for students entering LCCC 2022 fall semester and thereafter. It is understood that this Agreement will be reviewed annually by the appropriate parties at each institution, as designated by the officers listed below, and will automatically renew for a period of time not to exceed five (5) years. Not later than sixty (60) days prior to the end of the five (5) year period, each Party shall review and together make any changes to an updated Agreement to be considered for execution and implementation.

Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice of at least one (1) year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to the Institution under the terms of this Agreement, but not enrolled in classes.

The willingness of both institutions to enter into this Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from LCCC to Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy and to expand their opportunities for academic success is indicated by the following signatures. The undersigned representatives of the parties, Wilkes University and LCCC have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated:

General Terms and Conditions

- 1. This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the Parties and can be modified only in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.
- 2. The Parties understand that they shall act in an independent capacity in the performance of this Agreement, and shall not be considered as employees, agents, affiliates, or subsidiaries of each other. Neither Party shall have the right to bind or obligate the other in any manner inconsistent with or unrelated to this Agreement.
- 3. This Agreement is governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, without reference to conflict of laws principles. Any dispute under this Agreement shall be resolved in the state or federal courts located in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. The terms of this Agreement are not in violation of any state, federal or local legislation. Should any be discovered, or any law later amended, only that portion of the Agreement becomes subject to negotiation or resolve.
- 4. Neither Party shall assume any liabilities as a result of this Agreement. As to liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the Parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any immunities afforded LCCC by law or otherwise.
- 5. Luzerne County Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color,

national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities. For a complete copy of the LCCC non-discrimination policy, go to http://portal.luzerne.edu/forms/dc.pdf. Inquiries may be directed to the Title IX Coordinator, Kim Hogan, Director of Human Resources, LCCC, 521 Trailblazer Drive, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, 18634, 800-377-5222 extension 7363. Inquiries related to accessibility services for students may be directed to the Section 504 Coordinator, Rosana Reyes Vice President of Enrollment Management & Student Affairs, LCCC, 521 Trailblazer Drive, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, 18634, 800-377-5222 extension 7243.

- 6. The Articulating Institution agrees that they are an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- 7. Any notices to be given hereunder by any Party to the other may be provided by personal delivery in writing or by mail, registered or certified, postage prepaid with return receipt requested. Mailed notices shall be addressed to the Parties at the addresses set forth hereinafter, but each Party may change their address by written notice in accordance with this paragraph. Notices delivered personally shall be deemed communicated as of actual receipt; mailed notices shall be deemed communicated as of five (5) days after mailing.

If to Institution: Wilkes University

Elizabeth Leo, Esq. Title IX Coordinator. 84 West South Street Wilkes-Barre, PA 18766

Copy to: Wilkes University

Dean of Pharmacy 84 West South Street Wilkes-Barre, PA 18766

If to LCCC: Luzerne County Community College

521 Trailblazer Drive Nanticoke PA 18634

Attention:

Copy to: Operations Analyst

Same Luzerne County Community College address

- 8. The Parties shall comply with the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.
- 9. LCCC shall not be responsible for the payment of any federal, state or local taxes for or on behalf of the Articulating Institution under any circumstances.
- 10. This agreement mutually binds and benefits all heirs, assignees, and successors of both Parties.

- 11. It is understandably possible that each party may sign several counterparts of this Agreement. It is hereby agreed that each duly signed counterpart is considered valid as part of this Agreement.
- 12. Waiver by one party hereto of breach of any provision of this Agreement by the other shall not be construed as a continuing waiver.
- 13. Should any court determine any provision of this Agreement, or any portion thereof, to be invalid and unenforceable, then the remainder of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect.
- 14. This Agreement may not be assigned without the prior written consent of LCCC.

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The undersigned duly authorized officials agree to abide by the above terms and conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Participating Institutions hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed pursuant to due and legal action authorizing the same to be done the date first written above.

Luzerne County Community College
Signed President Thomas P. Leary
Date: 6 21- 12
Luzerne County Community College
Signed Acting Vice-President of Academic Affair Susan Spry
Date: 6/21/22
Wilkes University
Signed President Dr. Greg Cant
Date: 07/18/2022
Wilkes University
Signed Web Milloud Senior Vice President David Ward, Ph.D.
Date: 07/18/2027

LCCC/Wilkes University Course Crosswalk for Pharmacy

Wilkes Gen Ed Requirement	LCCC Comparable Course(s)	Total Credits from LCCC
ENG 101	ENG 101 (3 credits - short one	3
	credit- need portfolio)	
FYF	Waived with 24 credits	0-1
	transferred in but need to find 3	
	credits elsewhere; they	
	sometimes take a 1 credit FYF	
	course	
HIS 101	HIS 101 or HIS 102	3
Language (3 credits) or PHL	SPA 101, SPA 102, SPA 203, SPA	3
101, 110, 114	204or PHL 150 or PHL 151	
ENG 120	ENG 104 or ENG 120 or ENG	3
	221 or ENG 222	
Psy 101 or Soc 101 or PS 111 or	PSY 103 or SOC 101 or SOC 215	3
Anthro 101	POS 101	
ART 101, ART 140, ART 141,	ART 110, MUS 150, THR 101	3
THE 100, MUS 101, or DAN 100		
(3)		
CS 115	CIS 110	3
Total Credits		21-22

Wilkes Prepharm Prereq	LCCC Comparable Course(s)	Total Credits from LCCC
Requirement	(Pre-Professional Program)	
Bio 121	BIO 151	4
Bio 122	BIO 152	4
CHM 113/115	CHE 151	4
CHM 114/116	CHE 152	4
CHM 231, 233	CHE 251	4
CHM 232, 237	CHE 252	4
PHY 171	PHY 131	4
MTH 150	MAT 107	3
COM 101	SPE 125	3
MTH 111	MAT 151	4
Econ 102	ECO 152	3
Total Credits		41

Total transfer 62-63 credits – need 3 additional from anywhere to make up FYF