Educational Pathway Opportunities in Nursing

**Minnesota State Colleges and Universities** has a Statewide Nursing Program Transfer Agreement for both Practical Nursing Diploma to Associate of Science in Nursing and Associate of Science in Nursing to Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing which supports a smooth articulation pathway.

**Definition of Nursing Education Pathways**
- Registered Nursing (RN) Baccalaureate Completion—Associate in Science (AS) Nursing degree programs to baccalaureate Nursing degree programs (BS or BA)
- Practical Nursing (PN) Completion—Diploma Practical Nurse (PN) programs to Associate in Science (AS) Nursing degree programs

**Articulation** is defined as: the intentional planning and coordination of nursing education among programs so that the program at one level serves as the foundation for the next educational level. The goal is to help students make transitions that are smooth and seamless, educationally sound, and do not require revalidation.

After completing the Associate of Science Nursing program at Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical College, students are eligible to continue their education to earn a Bachelor of Science degree.

System universities include: Bemidji State University (BS), Metropolitan State University (BS), Minnesota State University, Mankato (BS), Minnesota State University Moorhead (BS), St. Cloud State University (BS), and Winona State University (BS)

Other NLNAC or CCNE accredited colleges that offer RN to BSN programs include: American National University, College of Saint Scholastica (online), University of Phoenix (online), Walden University (online), Augsburg College, Bemidji State University, Bethel University, Capella University (online), College of Saint Catherine, Crown College (online), Globe University (online), Metropolitan State University, Minnesota State University Mankato (online), Minnesota State University Moorhead (online), Rasmussen College (online), and Saint Mary’s University.

For a list of the schools and links to their websites, go to: [http://www.bestnursingdegree.com/programs/rn-to-bsn/minnesota/](http://www.bestnursingdegree.com/programs/rn-to-bsn/minnesota/)

It is recommended that you contact multiple schools during the course of your search. There are important differences to be considered such as cost, admissions requirements, program requirements and course offering (online versus classroom).