Purpose

The purpose of the Georgia RN-BSN Articulation Model is to enable registered nurses to advance their education and is "designed to attain and maintain educational integrity and program quality."*.

Procedures

The registered nurse articulating to the baccalaureate level will be awarded a minimum of one year of nursing course credits (minimum of 25 semester/42 quarter hours). These credits will be held in escrow until the baccalaureate candidate has demonstrated prior nursing knowledge by successfully completing 6.67 semester (10 quarter) hours of nursing credit. Credits held in escrow will then be placed on the transcript. The Articulation Model does not address non-nursing credits. Thus, the transfer of non-nursing credits will be according to the policy of the receiving institution.

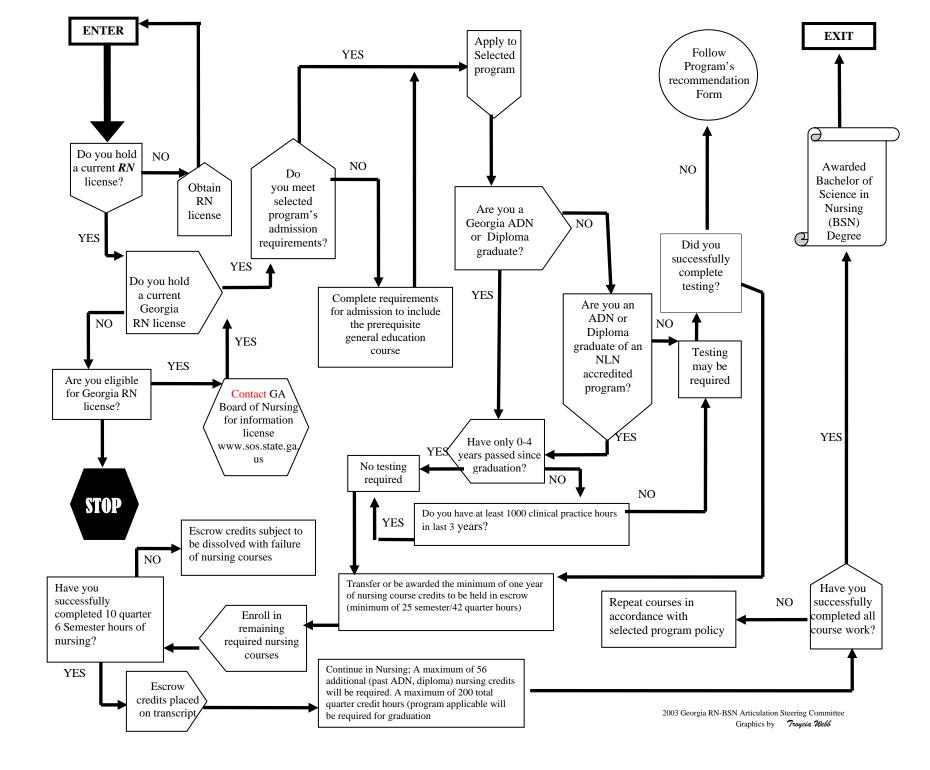
Students who are required to test, according to the Georgia Articulation Model, must meet the testing standards established by the receiving institution. The model is further explained below and is depicted in the flow diagram.

For entry into a participating program the registered nurse applicant must:

- meet the program's admission requirements.
- meet the program's general education entry requirements.
- meet testing requirements if applicable.
- hold a current and valid license to practice as a registered nurse within the United States and be eligible for Georgia licensure (The Georgia Board of Nursing requires a current Georgia license for any RN to BSN student enrolled in a clinical nursing course).

For progression through a participating program the RN student:

- will be required to complete **no more** than 37semester (56 quarter additional hours of nursing.
- will be required to have **no more** than 200 total quarter (133 semester) hours (program applicable) for the baccalaureate degree.



^{*}AACN, Educational Mobility, 2002

ADN & Diploma Graduates of Nursing Programs in Georgia

0-4 years after graduation No testing required/no clinical practice required

>4 years after graduation with 1000 clinical practice

hours in previous 3 years

No testing required

>4 years after graduation with <1000 clinical practice Must be tested hours in previous 3 years

ADN & Diploma Graduates of Non-NLNAC- Accredited Programs Outside Georgia

Testing may be required for all graduates of these programs. Includes programs outside the USA.

Participating Institutions

Through the collaborative efforts of faculty of the A.D.N. and BSN nursing programs in Georgia and the Georgia Board of Nursing, this statewide RN-BSN Articulation Model has been formulated to facilitate the educational mobility of registered nurses who elect to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing.

The Model is a cooperative and voluntary arrangement between academic institutions. Each nursing program participating operates as an integral part of its parent institution, thereby affirming the autonomy and diversity of each individual program.

Albany State University

Armstrong Atlantic State University

Brenau University

Clayton College & State University

Columbus State University

Emory University

Georgia Baptist College of Nursing

of Mercer University

Georgia College and State University

Georgia Southern University

Georgia Southwestern State University

Georgia State University

Kennesaw State University

LaGrange College

Medical College of Georgia

North Georgia College & State University

Piedmont College

State University of West Georgia

Thomas University

Valdosta State University



- Red denotes AD Programs
- Blue denotes BSN Programs