Academic Procedures:

• PCC will serve as "home school" for the first three years of students' enrollment in the RIBN program of study, and ECU will serve as "home school" for students' fourth year.

• Concurrent admission and continued enrollment for each school (PCC and ECU) will be ensured for RIBN student each year by maintaining enrollment status at "home school" following the RIBN program of study including one course per semester at ECU.

• If a student is accepted into the RIBN program of study, he or she must maintain a minimum grade of C in all courses. A withdrawal or grade below a C from any course will prohibit progression in the RIBN program of study.

• Upon successful completion of the first three years as a concurrent enrolled student and passing the NCLEX-RN exam, students will matriculate to ECU for the completion of the RIBN program of study.
EXHIBIT A

This Agreement establishes a plan whereby a student at Agency will complete an Associate Degree in Nursing and be admitted to the College of Nursing at ECU for the continuation and completion of a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing. Upon successful completion of the ECU academic requirements the student shall be awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from ECU.

Program Requirements:

1. Complete an Associate Degree in Nursing.
2. Maintain at least a 3.0 GPA
3. Only classes with a “C” or better shall transfer

Students failing to obtain an Associate in Science Degree may transfer courses as shown on Exhibit B provided the students earn a grade of “C” or better in the classes.

Admission Requirements:

• Students admitted to ENC RIBN program of study must meet admission requirements of PCC and ECU.

• PCC RIBN admission standards will meet the standard admission requirements for degree seeking freshman at ECU.

• The ECU Admission Office and Registrar’s Office will accept PCC official application/admission documents as official copies of ECU application/admission documents for the purpose of entering applicant data into the ECU student data system as a concurrent admitted RIBN student at both PCC and ECU. This condition applies only to accepted RIBN applicants from PCC Office of Admission and RIBN coordinator. These documents include but are not limited to: student application, official HS and college transcripts, official SAT or ACT scores, intent to enroll forms, signature pages, the “conviction” question page and other applicant supporting documents.

• ECU Admissions will only process the applications of the selected applicants into the RIBN course of study into the ECU student data system. RIBN students will be classified as “distance education” students at ECU.

• ECU will process the admission applications of the RIBN selected applicants each year, after the January 31st deadline, when RIBN applicants are chosen by PCC and ECU College of Nursing.

• An ECU application fee, for each accepted RIBN student, will be sent with the PCC application folder(s) and materials to the ECU office of admission, before ECU can officially accept the student. A student can obtain a fee waiver from their high school counselor and submit to RIBN coordinator, if applicable.

• All documents will be processed through PCC Office of Admission and RIBN coordinator and official copies provided to the ECU undergraduate admissions office.
to determine its effectiveness. The Committee's review will be in accordance with the standards set out in Sections 3 of ECU's Regulation No. 02.07.04 located at [http://www.ecu.edu/PDR/02/07/04](http://www.ecu.edu/PDR/02/07/04), Review of Existing Bilateral Agreements and UBAS Review Criteria.

8. Agency shall be considered an independent contractor and as such shall be wholly responsible for its work in accordance with this Agreement. Nothing herein is intended or shall be construed to establish any agency, partnership or joint venture between Agency and ECU.

9. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the liability of ECU, as an agency of the State of North Carolina, for any injury or damage arising out of ECU's, its employees' or agents' performance under this Agreement is subject to the limitations of the North Carolina Tort Claims Act, N.C.G.S.§143-291, et. seq. (the "Act"). ECU does not waive any rights or defenses under the Act or the rights and authority of the Attorney General of the State of North Carolina to represent ECU.

10. Agency shall indemnify and hold ECU, its trustees, officers, employees and agents harmless for any and all claims, loss, liability, demands or damages, including attorney's fees and court costs, due to the negligent acts of Agency's employees or agents in Agency's performance of this Agreement. This Section 10 shall not apply if the Agency is an agency of the State of North Carolina covered under the Act.

11. Notices: Any notices or other communications between the parties shall be in writing and shall be given effectively if: posted by certified United States Mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested or delivered by an overnight delivery service that keeps proof of delivery. Any notice or communications shall be addressed as follows or at such other address as may be from time to time designated in writing in accordance with this Section 12:

If to ECU:  
Dr. Sylvia T. Brown  
Dean, College of Nursing  
Health Sciences Building 4205L  
East Carolina University  
Greenville, NC 27858-4353

With a copy to:  
University Attorney  
210 Spilman Building  
East Carolina University  
Greenville, NC 27858-4353

If to Agency:  
Elizabeth Toderick, RN, MSN  
Director of Nursing  
Pitt Community College  
Greenville, NC

12. The place of this Agreement, its situs and forum, shall be Pitt County, North Carolina, and in said County and of said State such matters whether sounding in contract or tort relating to the validity, construction, interpretation or enforcement shall be determined.