I. Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to outline the procedure and execution of an Early Assurance Program between Suffolk County Community College (Suffolk) and Adelphi University (Adelphi). The purpose of this program is to permit students to enroll at Suffolk’s Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in nursing program and receive early assurance of future enrollment into a guaranteed seat in the Adelphi RN to BS program. The acceptance will be contingent on satisfying Suffolk graduation requirements, RN License, and meeting and maintaining Adelphi admissions requirements at the time of transfer.

II. General Admission and Eligibility

Suffolk nursing A.A.S. graduates will be admitted to Adelphi BS nursing program with a minimum of 3.0 G.P.A. Graduates are also required to have a grade of C+ or better in all science courses. Students who do not meet these minimum requirements will be considered for admission after meeting with the Director of the RN to BS program.

Admission to the Early Assurance Program is open to:

- Applicants to Suffolk nursing who will be first-time, matriculated freshman
- Transfer applicants to Suffolk nursing program with fewer than 24 credits of completed credits

To facilitate the process of admissions, Adelphi agrees to provide a designated transfer counselor for identified students in the Early Assurance Program.

Adelphi will coordinate with Suffolk to schedule an admissions event where students will be advised at Suffolk about transferring to complete their BS degree in nursing.

The application fee for Adelphi will be waived for those participating in the Early Assurance Program.

*Students with educational experiences at institutions in addition to Suffolk will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
III. Transfer of Credits

Suffolk students will be eligible to receive up to a maximum of 64 transfer credits at Adelphi. Only courses completed with a grade of “C-” or higher will be accepted in transfer to the University.

Students who complete the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing at Suffolk will be responsible for Adelphi’s General Education requirements either with appropriate transfer credits from Suffolk and/or courses taken at Adelphi.

IV. Scholarships

Full-time and part-time transfer students are automatically reviewed for academic scholarship eligibility at the time of acceptance to Adelphi. Need-based financial aid is also available to those who qualify. Priority filing date for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is February 15 for fall applicants and October 15 for spring applicants.

V. Implementation of Agreement and Communication

Adelphi University agrees to provide the following for those students participating in the Early Assurance Program:

- Adelphi will send a welcoming letter to newly admitted students in the Early Assurance Program.

- Adelphi will provide opportunities for students to visit the Adelphi Garden City campus and Sayville campus through selected activities and enrichment programs throughout their two years at Suffolk.

- Adelphi representatives will meet with Suffolk students in the nursing Early Assurance Program. The purpose of these meetings will be to provide academic advisement about course considerations while in the Suffolk program.

- Adelphi agrees to provide information sessions with faculty and staff who will be involved in consulting and advising students in the nursing Early Assurance Program.

- Adelphi agrees to provide Suffolk students in their second year of the nursing Early Assurance Program, upon request and approval, an Adelphi Identification Card, authorizing them to use the Adelphi libraries and to participate in select campus activities.
• Adelphi enrollment and tuition deposit information will be forwarded to students in their fourth semester at Suffolk.

• Upon request, Adelphi will provide to Suffolk reports on the number of students who continue and enroll in the RN to BS program.

Suffolk County Community College agrees to the following:

• Suffolk will provide applicants the opportunity to indicate the Early Assurance Program on their application.

• During October of each year, the Office of Enrollment Management at Suffolk will provide Adelphi with a list of all participating students in the Early Assurance Program. Suffolk will include total completed credits (if any), GPA, address, phone numbers, and Suffolk e-mail address.

• Suffolk will assist Adelphi in setting up advisement opportunities prior to each semester's registration.

• Suffolk will be responsible for selection of candidates to the Early Assurance Program. The cost of printing the applications will be assumed by Suffolk.

• By July 1 (for fall enrollees) and February 15 (for spring enrollees), Suffolk will, at the student's request, send Adelphi official proof of receipt of the Associate's degree along with an official transcript for the participants in the Early Assurance Program.

VI. Articulation for Transfer Students Not Participating in the Early Assurance Program

Procedures outlined herein relate specifically to students who apply to Suffolk, and Adelphi's Early Assurance Program. Some students upon applying to Suffolk may not have decided upon their ultimate educational objective or transfer destination. During the course of their study at Suffolk, they may decide upon transfer to Adelphi.

The two institutions agree to make every effort to facilitate transfer of Suffolk graduates not covered by the agreement to Adelphi by making available to them academic advisement and consultation, just as will be made available to Early Assurance Program students. However, it is understood that students not covered by this Agreement must apply to Adelphi for admission in the usual manner of transfer.
VII. Terms of Agreement

The terms of this agreement commence on September 25, 2015 and terminates in five (5) years from date of signing. Six (6) months prior to termination, Suffolk and Adelphi shall meet to update this agreement as necessary or extend it for another five (5) years.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the date written below.

Agreed and accepted by:

[Signature]
Dr. Shaun L. McKay
President
Suffolk County Community College

Date: 9/29/15

[Signature]
Dr. Christine M. Riordan
President
Adelphi University

Date: 9/25/15