

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION\ACADEMIC AND PERSONNEL

April 23, 2020

ACTION: **Approve Memoranda of Understanding with Kansas City University of Medicine & Biosciences for Doctor of Psychology Partner Program and 3+1 Baccalaureate Degree Program for Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and 3+2 BA/BS in Applied Human and Sport Physiology from Wayne State College and Master of Science in Athletic Training from Northwestern College**

Kansas City University

Per Board Policy 7015 which requires Board action for approval of all academic agreements, Wayne State requests approval of the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences (KCU) Doctor of Psychology (PsyD) Partnership Program and Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) Program MOUs. These MOUs provide special terms of admission for WSC students and establish pathways of advisement and coordination to allow students to seamlessly transition into either program from WSC to KCU.

Northwestern College

Per Board Policy 7015 which requires Board action for approval of all academic agreements, Wayne State requests approval of the Northwestern College (NWC) program agreement which allows WSC students to complete their BA or BS degree in Applied Human and Sport Physiology from WSC and a Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) from NWC.

The System Office and Wayne State College recommend approval of the Memoranda of Understanding with Kansas City Univ of Medicine & Northwestern Coll for Wayne State.

ATTACHMENTS:

- WSC KCU PsyD Memorandum of Understanding (PDF)
- WSC KCU DO Partner Program Memorandum of Understanding (PDF)
- WSC MOU - Northwestern College MSAT (PDF)

Memorandum of Understanding
between
the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College
doing business as Wayne State College
and
Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is designed to foster a formal relationship for mutual support, shared resources, and cooperation between THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGES doing business as WAYNE STATE COLLEGE (WSC) and KANSAS CITY UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND BIOSCIENCES (KCU), collectively (Parties), regarding the admission of students into the Doctor of Psychology (PsyD) Program.

This MOU sets forth the entire agreement of the Parties and supersedes all previous agreements, prior negotiations, discussions, and proposals.

WSC and KCU have reached agreement on the following areas of cooperation, pertaining to the application process for, and admission of, students from WSC to KCU's PsyD Program.

Based upon a mutual respect for the integrity of parallel academic programs and in an effort to better serve students intending to pursue a career in Psychology, KCU and WSC hereby enter into an MOU for the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences PsyD Program. This MOU will define course work to be completed by WSC students prior to matriculating into KCU's Doctorate of Psychology (PsyD) Program in accordance with the special terms of admission into the PsyD Program (Program).

Objectives of the MOU:

- To attract and recruit qualified students to WSC and KCU.
- To provide qualified students the opportunity to seamlessly transition into the PsyD doctoral program at KCU.
- To encourage academic and administrative coordination between institutions and the exchange of evaluative information on the outcomes of the Program with the goal of continual improvement.
- To provide specific advisement to students from a WSC advisor who intend to pursue professional study at KCU.
- To promote early involvement in undergraduate research at WSC.

KCU and WSC agree to the following:

1. KCU's PsyD Program will prioritize first year seats, beginning in the fall of 2020 for WSC students taking part in the Program. Initial selections for the Program will be made in the fall of the year preceding matriculation.
2. The GRE is not required for the Program.
3. Selection of the students into the Program will be based upon the following:
 - Freshman through Junior year academic performance
 - Research in undergraduate studies
 - Demonstration of clinical experience

- Community service
 - Undergraduate and high school activities
 - Knowledge of and dedication to the field of Psychology
4. The dedicated WSC Psychology advisor shall make initial selection of students. The student will then be required to select an interview day at KCU and participate in a full interview day. The Health Service Psychology Faculty at KCU will conduct all on campus interviews of Program students and make a recommendation to the Admissions Committee.
 5. Students selected for the Program must have taken 18 total credit hours of Psychology and completed the following courses with a grade of “B-” or higher at WSC:
 - Introduction to Psychology
 - Human Growth & Development or Personality Theory
 - Abnormal Psychology
 - Statistics or Tests and Measurements
 6. Additional coursework in relevant topics offered by WSC are strongly encouraged, e.g. Health Psychology, Theories of Personality, Cognitive Psychology, Death & Dying, Human Sexuality, Positive Psychology, Psychopharmacology.
 7. In order to remain in the Program, students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25 on a 4-point scale at WSC. Failure to maintain the required cumulative GPA and psychology coursework GPA may disqualify the student from continuing in the Program. Forfeited positions may be replaced by a joint decision between KCU and WSC.
 8. All students selected for the Program are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner and are subject to the rules and standards of conduct set forth in both the WSC and KCU Student Handbooks.
 9. Students selected for the Program will matriculate into KCU’s PsyD Program as full-time first-year students following degree conferral at WSC.
 10. Upon graduating with the bachelor’s degree, an official copy of the student’s undergraduate transcript must be provided to the KCU’s Admission’s Office.

MUTUAL PROMOTION OF THE PROGRAM

WSC and KCU both agree to encourage qualified students to participate in the Program through advertisement and dissemination of information. The dedicated advisor at WSC will maintain a list of students actively pursuing the Program with the intent to enroll at KCU and will periodically inform the Office of Admissions at KCU of the current list. Both institutions agree to promote the Program in their recruitment activities and literature and to refer prospective students, when appropriate, to the other’s Office of Admissions.

CONTINUATION AND TERMINATION OF COMMITMENT

This MOU shall be effective beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and may be canceled at any time, by either Party, providing that any student selected for the Program and enrolled in the Program at the time of such cancellation has the right to continue in the Program abiding by all rules mentioned above.

The designated representatives of the Parties for the purpose of monitoring and oversight of this MOU are:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have hereunto set their hands and seals as of the day
and year first above written.

WAYNE STATE COLLEGE

By: _____
Marysz Rames, President

Date: _____

KANSAS CITY UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND BIOSCIENCES

By: _____

Date: _____

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Paul Turman, Chancellor

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The Program enables students to complete their BA/BS Degree by attending WSC for three years, then attending KCU and reverse transferring their first year of credits from KCU to WSC to complete the baccalaureate degree (3+1 degree). This Program also provides criteria for admission to KCU for the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) for participants of this Program.

This MOU sets forth the entire agreement of the Parties and supersedes all previous agreements, prior negotiations, discussions, and proposals.

WSC and KCU have reached agreement on the following areas of cooperation, pertaining to the application process for, and transfer of, students from WSC to KCU's DO Program:

Based upon a mutual respect for the integrity of parallel academic programs and in an effort to better serve students intending to pursue a career in osteopathic medicine, KCU and WSC hereby enter into an MOU for the Program. This MOU will define coursework to be completed before matriculating into KCU, special terms of admission into KCU, and special criteria for the awarding of the baccalaureate degree to participating students.

General Statement

Both parties wish to establish an MOU to facilitate the process of admission of students from WSC to KCU. It is hoped that this MOU will result in an increased number of qualified students attracted to WSC and KCU. In addition, this Program will provide qualified students the opportunity to complete the baccalaureate degree and the doctor of osteopathic medicine degree in seven years instead of eight.

Program Description

Students selected into KCU through the Program will matriculate into KCU as full-time, first-year students following their junior year at WSC after completing specific coursework. Students will receive their bachelor's degree from WSC following the successful completion of their first year at KCU.

Selection of Participants

1. WSC students interested in the Program will be identified by WSC faculty and staff in the freshmen year of their undergraduate program.
2. Selection of students into the Program will be based upon the following:
 - Composite ACT score (minimum of 28)
 - Freshman year academic performance
 - Community service
 - Undergraduate and high school activities
 - Knowledge of and dedication to the field of osteopathic medicine.
3. Students must complete a minimum of 90 hours of coursework at WSC before matriculation into KCU.
4. In order to remain in the Program and matriculate to KCU, students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.25 and a science coursework GPA of 3.5, both on a 4.0 scale at WSC. Failure to maintain the required overall and science coursework GPA's may disqualify the student from continuing in the Program. Progress measured at the end of each semester.
5. Students selected for KCU through the Program must have taken and completed each of the following courses with a grade of "C" or higher at WSC:
 - Biological Sciences 12 hours
 - Chemistry 13 hours
 - Biochemistry 3 hours (in addition to the 13 hours of chemistry)
 - Physics 8 hours
 - English Comp./Lit. 6 hours
6. Additional coursework in relevant topics offered by WSC and agreed to by KCU e.g., Immunology, Anatomy, Physiology, Histology, may also be taken by advisement at WSC.
7. Students in the Program will be considered for admission to KCU under the following terms and conditions after satisfying all academic requirements of the Program:
 - a. Each student in the Program must apply to KCU through the Program application in December/January of the sophomore year.
 - b. Once the application is complete (application, transcripts from college and high school, advisor recommendations), KCU will select eligible WSC students for an interview. Interviews will be conducted with selected KCU Admissions staff, committee members and other faculty prior to selection to KCU. The results of this interview, along with other stated academic requirements, will determine whether or not a student will matriculate into KCU through the Program.
 - c. Decisions will be sent to applicants and advisors following admission committee review. If selected for matriculation to KCU, applicants will be notified and advised of additional requirements.
 - d. Each student selected for conditional admission to KCU through the Program must complete the AACOMAS application no later than September of their junior year.
 - e. All portions of the AACOMAS application must be completed except the following:
 - Letter of support from the WSC pre-med advisor will be the only reference required. No physician reference letters are required.
 - The MCAT will not be required for admission through the Program. However, if a student does take the MCAT, he/she should submit the scores to AACOMAS. The scores will be used for data collection and comparison

- purposes only and will not be considered in the admissions decision.
8. If a WSC student is not selected for matriculation to KCU, he/she is eligible and encouraged to go through the regular application process after degree completion at WSC. However, all regular admission procedures will be in place including the requirement of the MCAT and physician reference letters.
 9. All students selected for the Program are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner and are subject to the rules and standards of conduct set forth in the WSC and KCU Student Handbooks.
 10. Upon graduating with the bachelor's degree, an official copy of the student's undergraduate transcript must be provided to the KCU Registrar's Office.

Mutual Promotion of the Program

WSC and KCU both agree to encourage qualified students to participate in the Program through advertisement and dissemination of information. The appropriate advisor at WSC will maintain a list of students actively pursuing the Program with the intent to enroll at KCU and will periodically inform the KCU Office of Admissions of the current list. Both institutions agree to promote the Program in their recruitment activities and literature and to refer prospective students, when appropriate, to the other's Office of Admissions.

Continuation and Termination of Commitment

1. This MOU shall be effective beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and shall be reviewed by both Parties at the end of such term and may at that time be updated and signed for an additional period of time to be specified in the updated document. Continuation of the Program will be based on students' successful completion of the Program, Program viability, and other relevant factors determined by WSC and KCU.
2. This MOU may be cancelled at any time, by either Party, providing that any student selected for the Program and enrolled in the Program at the time of such cancellation has the right to continue in the Program, abiding by all rules mentioned above.
3. The terms of this MOU may be modified or amended on written consent of Parties. These changes shall be appended to the original MOU with the effective date.

The designated representatives of the Parties for the purpose of monitoring and oversight of this MOU are:

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This MOU is two-fold. The first part creates the MSAT 3+2 joint program (Program) between WSC and NWC. The Program allows WSC students to continue their education at NWC resulting in dual degrees with a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS) from WSC and a Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT) from NWC, jointly completed within five years (147 credit hours). A student enrolled in the Program will complete the requirements at WSC as established by the undergraduate program requirements, and by transferring to NWC complete the MSAT. Thirty (30) hours of credits will be reverse transferred from NWC to WSC for baccalaureate degree completion.

The second part of the MOU assures that NWC will reserve two seats in the MSAT program each year for qualified WSC students. These seats would be available to WSC students applying for either the Program or the traditional MSAT programs, until February 15 of each application year.

PART 1: MSAT 3+2 Joint Degree Program

WSC and NWC agree to the following conditions:

- 1.1 This MOU describing the Program will be effective beginning July 1, 2020.
- 1.2 The Program is guided by the curriculum standards established by WSC and the NWC MSAT Program (accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education). The Program is a 147 credit hour undergraduate/professional option that allows eligible students to work concurrently toward completion of both baccalaureate and master's degree requirements. Thirty (30) credits earned at NWC will count toward the WSC BA/BS degree requirements.
- 1.3 Students declaring the intention to enter the Program will be required to prepare a plan of study in consultation with their WSC advisor. The plan will cover the entire undergraduate and professional program and will be reviewed each semester with the student's advisor. A maximum of 30 MSAT credits (of the required 57 graduate credits for the MSAT degree) will be counted toward the WSC undergraduate degree.

- 1.4 Students are eligible to apply to the Program if:
 - a. They have completed at least 70 undergraduate credit hours and have a plan to have completed at least 90 undergraduate credits prior to the MSAT program start;
 - b. They have a 3.00 Cumulative GPA in all WSC undergraduate work. Undergraduate transfer courses will not be calculated into the undergraduate GPA; and
 - c. They have completed the prerequisite courses required for the MSAT program.
- 1.5 Students will have two GPA's computed, one for undergraduate coursework completed at WSC and one for graduate coursework completed at NWC. Students are subject to academic standards at both institutions.
- 1.6 Students must apply to the MSAT graduate program after completing 70 credits at WSC, by following the normal NWC graduate admission process. Once a student is admitted to the MSAT program at NWC, he/she is eligible to enroll in the Program.
- 1.7 Students will pay WSC tuition rates for courses taken at WSC. Students will pay NWC MSAT tuition rates for all courses taken at NWC, including those taken prior to graduating with the undergraduate degree. Students may need to take WSC courses online to complete the requirements of the undergraduate degree, which have a different tuition rate from on-campus classes. *Please note: there are no online courses offered by WSC that will transfer over to the NWC MSAT graduate curriculum.*
- 1.8 Students enrolled in the Program are eligible to receive scholarships from WSC to apply toward undergraduate tuition while attending WSC.
- 1.9 Students will take courses at NWC in the 4th year of their undergraduate studies. Graduate level courses (30 credit hours) taken at NWC will be accepted by WSC as elective credits to satisfy the BA/BS degree requirements at WSC.
- 1.10 NWC Admission Requirements will be provided to WSC annually prior to July 1.
- 1.11 Description of the Program will be printed in the WSC Catalog and on the NWC website.

PART 2: Reserved Seats

- 2.1 The NWC Athletic Training Program (ATP) will annually consider applications from admitted WSC students for the NWC MSAT Program (both the Program and traditional routes).
- 2.2 In consultation with WSC, the NWC ATP will establish requirements for application and admission, performance standards for maintaining good standing while at WSC, criteria for progressing from provisional acceptance to matriculation to the NWC ATP, and a maximum number of applicants to be accepted for the next admissions cycle. No later than June 30th of each year, these current, program-specific requirements, including the application and acceptance notification timeline, will be provided to WSC for students who are seniors and wish to apply for admission to NWC for matriculation in the summer of the following year.

- 2.3 WSC students accepted into the NWC ATP by NWC during their senior year of college at WSC will be given provisional admittance to the NWC ATP.
- 2.4 Admission to the MSAT is at the discretion of the Northwestern College Athletic Training Program Graduate Selection Committee in conformity with Graduate Studies standards.
- 2.5 The NWC ATP agrees to hold a minimum of two (2) class seats per year in the MSAT program for WSC students who meet the application criteria set forth in this MOU, and as amended in the future. These seats will be held until February 15 of each year. Seats not filled by this date will be added to the general application pool. Should there be more than two (2) WSC students each year who apply for admission and fully meet all requirements for admission to the MSAT, the top two (2) students, based on NWC's admission criteria including but not limited to the student's GPA, letters of recommendation, written statements, and interviews, will be awarded the reserved seats, and the remaining students will automatically be added to the general application pool.
- 2.6 The NWC ATP is not required to admit any WSC student who does not meet the application criteria associated with this MOU, or any future amended versions. Students who apply for the Program and are not accepted are eligible to apply the next year for the traditional admission, and can still be considered for the reserved seats.

The following items apply to both Part 1 and Part 2 of this MOU:

1. Amendments to this MOU shall be documented in writing and signed by both Parties.
2. This MOU shall be effective beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and may be terminated by either Party upon ninety (90) calendar days' written notice to the other Party. Part 1 can be terminated without terminating Part 2, and vice versa, or both Part 1 and Part 2 can be terminated together as long as it is clearly stated in writing what Part(s) is/are being terminated.
3. The designated WSC representative for purposes of monitoring and oversight of this MOU is:
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4. The designated NC representative for purposes of monitoring and oversight of this MOU is:
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5. Both Parties affirm that they will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) for sharing student information.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the authorized representative(s) of both Parties have duly executed this MOU hereto, and each Party acknowledges the receipt of a duly executed copy of this MOU.

For the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges doing business as Wayne State College:

Dr. Marysz P. Rames, President Wayne State College

Date

Dr. Paul Turman, Chancellor of the Nebraska State Colleges

Date

For Northwestern College:

Northwestern College: Athletic Training Program

Rick Loutsch, Athletic Training Program Director

Date

Northwestern College Rep:

Dr. D. Nathan Phinney, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date

ADDENDUM: MSAT Program Admission Requirements

NWC Admission Requirements include:

- a. Completion of ATCAS application including the following:
 1. Official college transcripts
 2. Personal narrative
 3. Professional recommendations
 4. Athletic training observational experiences
- b. Completion of Northwestern ATP ATCAS questions and payment of application fee
 1. Short-answer questions regarding the applicant's experience.
 2. \$40 non-refundable application fee, applications will not be reviewed until the fee is submitted.
- c. Two letters of recommendation (One from the athletic trainer who oversaw the majority of exploration hours and one from a professor in a major or science course.)
- d. Minimum of 50 hours of athletic training exploration with a certified athletic trainer
- e. Baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution, or internationally recognized equivalent; except for those students applying for the MSAT 3+2.
Accepted students will be required to submit official transcripts prior to matriculation
- f. Meet the ATP Technical Standards
- g. Overall and prerequisite course GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale; Conditional admission may be considered for students with a cumulative GPA of 2.7-3.0.
- h. Completion of prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better in each course. These courses must be completed at a regionally accredited institution. Six of the nine required courses must be completed by the time of application. No prerequisite course may be taken more than twice.
 1. Biology (3-4 credits or 1 term)
 2. Anatomy & Physiology (8 credits or 2 terms with labs)
 3. Chemistry (3-4 credits or 1 term with lab)
 4. Physics (3-4 credits or 1 term)
 5. Exercise Physiology
 6. Kinesiology/Biomechanics (3-4 credits or 1 term)
 7. Psychology (3-4 credits or 1 term)
 8. Statistics