#### NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

#### AND

## BOSSIER PARISH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## Reverse Transfer Agreement

# Background:

Bossier Parish Community College (BPCC) and Northwestern State University (NSU) have developed several collaborative arrangements that promote the success of BPCC students as they transition to the University. This Agreement is an extension of those arrangements and seeks to increase the number of certificate, diploma, and associate degree completers.

## Agreement:

Reverse Transfer is the process by which former BPCC students enrolled at NSU transfer credits back to BPCC for the purpose of attaining a degree, diploma, or certification. NSU will forward BPCC a list of students who have earned a minimum of 66 combined hours from NSU and BPCC with at least 18 or more of the earned hours at BPCC, along with transcripts. BPCC will then evaluate this coursework to determine if degree, diploma, or certification requirements are met.

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate the implementation of an initiative to assist students who have transferred to NSU in completing a credential (certificate, diploma, or associate degree) at BPCC. This initiative is an extension of the transfer agreements already in place between BPCC and NSU and applies to BPCC students that have earned at least 18 credit hours at BPCC prior to transferring to NSU. The signatories to this Agreement commit to work collaboratively to enable qualified students to earn additional credentials.

Each signatory to this Agreement commits to the following:

- 1.) Appoint a single point of contact for coordination of this reverse transfer initiative.
- 2.) Share student information and ensure it is done in a manner that is in compliance with FERPA.
- 3.) Develop a method to track the success of the reverse transfer initiative and share these results annually.
- 4.) Follow parameters of the law and regional accreditation agencies.
- 5.) Develop and document the systems, processes, communications, and timeline supporting the initiative.
- 6.) Explore opportunities to leverage existing technology in an effort to create an effective, efficient, and seamless process for reverse transfer.
- 7.) Ensure that reverse transfer is achieved at no cost to the student.
- 8.) Outline student communication, procedures, and advisement assistance to complete certificate, diploma, and associate degree requirements.

The effective date of this Agreement is July 1, 2015.

This Agreement may be reviewed for renewal periodically.

Signed:

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Dr. Rick Bateman, Jr., Chancellor Bossier Parish Community College 8.5.15

Date

or. Jim Henderson, President

Northwestern State University

Date