

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA
AND
PANOLA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Northwestern State University of Louisiana (NSU) and Panola Community College (PCC) have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for a 2 + 2 program between the two institutions. The 2+2 program will allow students to complete the first two years of study toward the Associate Degree in Medical Laboratory Technician at PCC and then transfer all credit hours as designated in Appendix A to NSU for completion of the degree. Students transferring to NSU may complete the last two years of their course work either online or at one of the NSU campuses. Both universities serve the needs of the constituency and are responsive, student oriented institutions that prepare the students to become productive members of society as well as promote the academic development and improvement in the quality of life of citizens in their regions.

This partnership is mutually beneficial to both institutions for several reasons. Traditional and non-traditional students attending PCC will have the opportunity after completing core requirements at PCC to transfer to an accredited program that will accept PCC credits. NSU will have the opportunity to accept students into degree programs who are well prepared with foundation course work.

Both universities are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Both universities employ full-time faculty with advanced academic and professional credentials.

Both institutions provide support resources (i.e., library, on-line access, service courses, and adequate administrative-faculty-staff backup).

In accordance with this Memorandum of Understanding, Panola Community College agrees to:

Provide academic advising to students who plan to transfer to NSU according to agreements in Appendix A.

Require PCC students who intend to transfer to NSU sign the Intent to transfer form and mail the completed form to NSU. (Appendix B)

Provide students the opportunity to obtain the PCC credit hours as listed in Appendix A of the Memorandum of Understanding between NSU and PCC.

Provide transferring students assistance in completing the NSU Application for Admission.

Provide information about the 2+2 Agreement in the Panola Community College catalog.

Jointly market the 2 + 2 agreement with NSU.

In accordance with this Memorandum of Understanding, Northwestern State University agrees to:

Receive and maintain "Intent to Transfer" forms from PCC students and honor the agreement regarding academic catalog in effect on the date of the student's signature and the NSU confirmation signature. (Appendix B)

Accept Panola Community College credit hours as listed in Appendix A of the Memorandum of Understanding between Northwestern State University and Panola Community College.

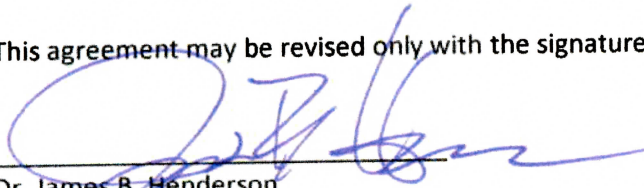
Provide PCC with a list of admitted students each semester.

Provide information about the 2+2 Agreement in the Northwestern State University catalog.

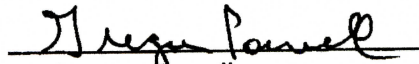
Jointly market the 2+2 agreement with PCC.

By signature of President of these institutions, this 2+2 Memorandum of Understanding is entered into on the 4th of May, 2016.

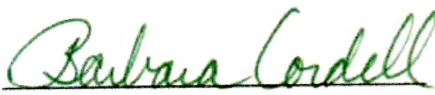
This agreement may be revised only with the signatures of the leaders of both institutions.



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Appendix A
Panola College AAS Medical Laboratory Technician Articulation

Core Requirements

| AAS MLT Panola COLLEGE | | | BAS Allied Health NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY | | | Hours Needed |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| PC | Course Title | Credit Hours | NSU | Course Title | Credit Hours | |
| ENGL 1301 | English Composition I | 3 | | English | 6 | 3 |
| MATH 1314 | College Algebra | 3 | | Math | 6 | 3 |
| BIOL 2404 | Anatomy and Physiology | 3 | | Natural / Physical Science | 9 | 3 |
| CHEM 1405 or 1411 | General Chemistry | 3 | | | | |
| | | | | Humanities | 3 | 3 |
| FA | Fine Arts Elective | 3 | | Fine Arts | 3 | 0 |
| PSYC 2301 | General Psychology | 3 | | Social / Behavioral | 6 | 3 |
| Total Hours Needed | | | | | | 15 |

Junior Year – Semester 1

| AAS MLT Panola COLLEGE | | | BAS Allied Health NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY | | | Hours Needed |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| PC | Course Title | Credit Hours | NSU | Course Title | Credit Hours | |
| HITT 1305 | Medical Terminology | 3 | ALHE 1020 | Medical Terminology | 2 | 0 |
| | | | PSYC 2050 | Developmental Psychology | 3 | 3 |
| HITT 1353 | Legal & Ethical | 3 | ALHE 2200 | Cultural and Ethical | 2 | 0 |
| | | | ALHE 3900 | Transition into Professional | 2 | 2 |
| | | | ALHE 3840 | Advanced Patient Care | 3 | 3 |
| | | | COMM 1010 | Fundamentals of Speech | 3 | 3 |
| Total Hours Needed | | | | | | 11 |

Junior Year – Semester 2

| AAS MLT Panola COLLEGE | | | BAS Allied Health NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY | | | Hours Needed |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| PC | Course Title | Credit Hours | NSU | Course Title | Credit Hours | |
| | | | ALHE 4520 | Research in Healthcare | 3 | 3 |
| | | | PSYC 4400 | Statistics for Psychology | 3 | 3 |
| BIOL 2420 | Microbiology | 3 | ALHE 4230 | Health Informatics | 3 | 3 |
| | | | | Concentration Courses | 6 | 3 |
| Total Hours Needed | | | | | | 12 |

Senior Year – Semester 1

| AAS MLT Panola COLLEGE | | | BAS Allied Health NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY | | | Hours Needed |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| PC | Course Title | Credit Hours | NSU | Course Title | Credit Hours | |
| | | | ALHE 4600 | Teamwork and Leadership | 4 | 4 |
| | | | | Elective | 3 | 3 |
| | | | | Concentration Courses | 6 | 6 |
| Total Hours Needed | | | | | | 13 |

Senior Year – Semester 2

| AAS MLT Panola COLLEGE | | | BAS Allied Health NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY | | | Hours Needed |
|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| PC | Course Title | Credit Hours | NSU | Course Title | Credit Hours | |
| | | | ALHE 4900 | Directed Study | 5 | 5 |
| | | | ALHE 4630 | Healthcare Organization | 3 | 3 |
| | | | | Concentration Courses | 6 | 6 |
| | | | | | Total Hours Needed | 14 |

**Students graduating with an Associate of Applied Science in Medical Laboratory Technician will receive 30 hours credit for their allied health clinical course work.*

Total Hours Awarded from PC= 55

Total Hours Needed from NSU for BS= 65

Health Science and Technology Concentration (18 hours)

Courses for this concentration will enhance students' knowledge and skills related to the patient care environment and/or teaching in health related areas. Students will be able to select courses from a pre-determined list that best meet their career goals. Examples of courses that may be included in this concentration are:

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| ALHE 4430 Education in Allied Health | 3 hours |
| BIOL 2210 Microbiology for Nursing and Allied Health Majors | 3 hours |
| BIOL 2240 Introduction to Human Genetics | 3 hours |
| BUAD 1800 Introduction to Information Technology | 3 hours |
| BUAD 2200 Business Reports and Communication | 3 hours |
| BUAD 3250 Business Law I | 3 hours |
| CIS 3020 Web Page Development | 3 hours |
| EDAE 4700 Fundamentals of Adult Education | 3 hours |
| ENGL 3230 Technical Composition | 3 hours |
| HED 2000 Introduction to Health Education | 3 hours |
| HED 3000 Community Health Promotion | 3 hours |
| MGT 3220 Organization and Management | 3 hours |
| PSYC 3010 Physiological Psychology | 3 hours |
| PSYC 4450 Abnormal Psychology | 3 hours |
| RADS 3910 Sectional Anatomy | 3 hours |
| RADS 3920 Radiographic Pathology | 3 hours |
| RADS 4610 Quality Management | 3 hours |
| RADS 4710 Special Imaging | 3 hours |
| <i>Others as approved by advisor</i> | |

Appendix B
INTENT TO TRANSFER

PCC → NSU

Student: Name: _____
SSN: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Email: _____

Upon completion of freshman and sophomore courses at Panola Community College, I intend to enter Northwestern State University to pursue the baccalaureate of applied science in allied health degree.

I expect to enter Northwestern State University (Semester/Year) _____.

The NSU catalog under which I intend to graduate from NSU is _____.

I understand that by signing this statement of intent, the NSU degree program requirements I must satisfy to complete my degree will be those in the catalog in effect on the date this form is signed by me and the NSU Representative. I also understand that I must maintain continuous registration in this major, with no more than one semester not being in attendance, at PCC and/or NSU, and that I must complete the curriculum within seven (7) years. If I fail to meet any of these requirements, I will be subject to the curriculum requirements in the catalog current at the time I return to school.

Student:
My signature below acknowledges that I understand the conditions as stated above.

Student's Signature

Date

Signature, PCC Advisor

Title

Date

Signature, NSU Representative

Title

Date

**copies to be kept by BRCC, NSU, and the student