

Memorandum of Understanding

Northshore Technical Community College and Northwestern State University *2+2 Criminal Justice Program*

Purpose

Northwestern State University, herein called NSU, and Northshore Technical Community College, herein called NTCC, have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for a *2 + 2 Criminal Justice Program* between the two institutions. The program outcomes will include successful completion of developmental coursework and coursework required for the Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice at NTCC that will transfer all credit hours applied to the AAS degree as listed in Appendix A to NSU in partial fulfillment for the Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice at NSU. Both institutions serve the needs of their students to become productive members of society as well as promote the academic development and improvement in the quality of life for the citizens in their regions.

The *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* will continue to help ensure access to post-secondary education and enhance ease of transfer credits between Northshore Technical Community College and Northwestern State University. Additionally, incomplete or inconsistent access to community college services and constrained financial resources has heightened the need for a partnership approach across the Northshore region.

The *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* helps to ensure that both institutions are being proactive in addressing challenges in the economy and changes in the higher education landscape. In addition, the program ensures the participating institutions are responsive to relevant actions of the Louisiana Legislature, including specific provisions of the LA GRAD Act as well as encouraging ease of transfer credits between post-secondary institutions and comprehensive community college services throughout the Northshore region.

Implementation

The *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* will provide students with a transparent and systematic outline for successfully completing an associate degree and a baccalaureate degree. The institutions will partner to facilitate student access through collaborated student and academic services for each student enrolled in the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program*.

All components of the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* MOU are limited to the instruction of developmental coursework and coursework required for the Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice taught by Northshore Technical Community College faculty that are transferable to Northwestern State University.

Northshore Technical Community College's components of the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program*:

- Until such time that NTCC is SACS accredited and in order to facilitate the transfer of NTCC credit to NSU, faculty credentials for Criminal Justice and Developmental Courses will be assessed and approved by NSU.
- NTCC will submit textbook recommendations used in Criminal Justice courses to NSU for assessment and approval.
- NTCC will provide student transcripts to NSU following the end of each semester prior to the start of the next academic semester.

- NTCC will provide extensive support resources (i.e. online access, service courses, and adequate administration, faculty, and staff).
- NTCC Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice adheres to the curriculum standards of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.
- Jointly with NSU, market the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* to prospective students through recruiting and academic materials such as but not limited to brochures and catalogs.

Northwestern State University's components of the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program*:

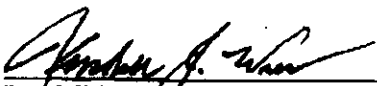
- NSU will accept NTCC's Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice courses as listed in Appendix A.
- NSU will assist in locating SACS-qualified faculty for NTCC courses related to the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program*.
- Until such time that NTCC is SACS accredited and in order to facilitate the transfer of NTCC credit to NSU, faculty credentials for Criminal Justice and Developmental Courses will be assessed and approved by NSU.
- NSU will assess and approve all recommended textbook adoptions for NTCC Criminal Justice courses.
- Students participating in the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* with outstanding balances at NTCC will not be allowed to continue in the program.
- Jointly with NTCC, market the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program* to prospective students through recruiting and academic materials such as but not limited to brochures and catalogs.


Program Modification

Changes may be made to this agreement at any time with a 60 day notice and mutual agreement of Northwestern State University and Northshore Technical Community College. This agreement is effective upon signing and can be terminated only through a written notice to the other party 90 days prior to the date of termination.

Approval

Signatures below demonstrate an understanding and agreement with the above listed provisions and that to the extent permitted by law Northshore Technical Community College will hereby hold harmless, discharge, and release Northwestern State University from any and all liability, claims, causes of actions, damages or demands of any kind and nature whatsoever that may arise from or in connection with the participation in the *2+2 Criminal Justice Program*.


 Randall J. Webb, President
 Northwestern State University
 April 18, 2013


 William S. Wainwright, Chancellor
 Northshore Technical Community College
 April 18, 2013

Appendix A

2+2 Criminal Justice Program Course

NTCC General Education Courses	NSU Equivalencies
MATH 1015 College Algebra	MATH 1020
ENGL 1015 Composition I	ENGL 1010
Humanities Elective	
HIST 1010 Western Civilization I	HIST 1010
HIST 1020 Western Civilization II	HIST 1020
HIST 2010 American History I	HIST 2010
HIST 2020 American History II	HIST 2020
SPCH 1015 Introduction to Speech	COMM 2010
ENGL 1025 Composition II	ENGL 1020
Behavioral Elective	
PSYC 2015 Introduction to Psychology	PSYC 1010
SOCL 2015 Introduction to Sociology	SOC 1010
Natural Science Elective	
BIOL 1010 General Biology I (non-science)	SCI 1020
BIOL 1020 General Biology II (non-science)	SCI 2020
NTCC Criminal Justice Courses	NSU Equivalencies
CRMJ 1110 Introduction to CJ	CJ 1100
CRMJ 1120 Introduction to Corrections	CJ 2500
CRMJ 1220 Police Systems & Practices	CJ 2300
CRMJ 1230 Technical Report Writing	Elective
CRMJ 1310 Community Based Corrections	Elective
CRMJ 1322 Criminal Investigation	Elective
CRMJ 1330 Introduction to Criminal Law	Elective
CRMJ 1340 Criminology	Elective
CRMJ 1410 Juvenile Delinquency	Elective
CRMJ 1420 Judicial Process	CJ 2400
CRMJ 2552 Criminal Justice Externship	Elective
CRMJ 2112 Social Problems for Criminal Justice	SOC 2020 (elective)
CRMJ 2700 Victimology	Elective
CRMJ 2997 Practicum	Elective
CRMJ 2999 Cooperative Education	Elective
NTCC Elective Courses	NSU Equivalencies
CSSK 1000 College Success	UNIV 1000
CPTR 1000 Introduction to Computers	Elective
JOBS 2450 Job Seeking Skills	Elective