A Transfer Articulation Agreement

between

Northwestern State University



AND

Bossier Parish Community College



Introduction

This document establishes a transfer articulation partnership between Northwestern State University (hereafter known as "NSU") and Bossier Parish Community College (hereafter known as "BPCC") that should prove beneficial to both institutions. Students attending BPCC will have the opportunity to transfer into the Bachelor of Science Degree in Unified Public Safety Administration program with a concentration in Fire and Medical Emergency Management Administration from the College of Arts and Sciences at NSU with minimal loss of credits after completing the Associate of Applied Science at BPCC.

Transfer Program

The conditions of this agreement allow students who have completed the Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science at BPCC to transfer all credit hours into the Bachelor of Science Degree in Unified Public Safety Administration degree program at NSU. The baccalaureate program at NSU requires 120 hours of semester credits. All courses taken at BPCC that are listed on the Curriculum Guide (see Appendix A) will transfer into the baccalaureate program at NSU provided all grade and GPA requirements established required

Responsibilities, Terms, and Benefits

Responsibilities of each Partner

In accordance with this agreement, BPCC will:

- Provide academic advising for students who plan to transfer into the NSU baccalaureate program;
- Provides students the opportunity to obtain the BPCC credit hours as listed in Appendix A;
- Provide transferring students assistance in completing an NSU Application for Admission to the University;
- Provide information about this Transfer Articulation Agreement on the BPCC website; and,
- Market this articulation agreement jointly with NSU.

In accordance with this agreement, NSU will:

- Accept BPCC credit hours as indicated in Appendix A;
- Provide BPCC with appropriate advising materials;
- Provide information about this Transfer Articulation Agreement on the NSU website; and,
- market this articulation agreement jointly with BPCC

Terms

- This agreement applies to the Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science at BPCC and the Bachelor of Science Degree in Unified Public Safety Administration with a concentration in Fire and Medical Emergency Management Administration from the College of Arts and Sciences at NSU.
- BPCC and NSU agree to work together to maintain this relationship, its
 efficiency, and quality of instruction, and to adapt to curricula changes at

either college.

 NSU will collect and share information with BPCC including data relative to enrollments, performance, and graduation rates for students participating in this program. This information will be used by both institutions to identify areas for improvement.

 Relevant personnel at BPCC (Dean of Science, Nursing, and Allied Health or their designee) and NSU (Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences or their designee) will meet annually to discuss the overall progress of this agreement, student performance, and any changes in curriculum.

Benefit to a Student

This articulation agreement identifies a four-year pathway in which a student can receive their Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science at BPCC and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Unified Public Safety Administration with a concentration is Fire and Medical Emergency Management Administration at NSU. As part of this agreement, the following conditions must be met:

- Students must meet any university-mandated requirements for transfer students at NSU.
- For this agreement, only coursework approved at BPCC with a grade of "C" or better can count toward the NSU degree.

BPCC students will follow the baccalaureate program curriculum requirements as specified in the NSU Undergraduate and Graduate University Catalog in force at the time of initial enrollment at NSU. University policy allows a student seven years to graduate under the catalog in effect at the time of initial enrollment at NSU. To participate in this opportunity, BPCC student must meet all transfer admission requirements established by NSU.

Program Evaluation

NSU will monitor the progress and overall performance of BPCC students participating in this opportunity. Significant deficiencies in the performance of BPCC students relatable to the opportunity will be examined and addressed by faculty of both institutions.

Term, Amendment, and Termination

This agreement will be reviewed every three years and modified or terminated or will remain in effect until one of the partner institutions petitions to end the agreement. The *Curriculum Guide* (Appendix A) may be modified based on future curriculum changes without reaffirmation of this agreement. Petition to end the agreement must be submitted in writing and signed by the President of the institution making the petition. Delivery of the intent to terminate will constitute formal notification and will serve as grounds for termination one year following the date of delivery.

Use of Trademarks and Trade Names

No right, title, license or interest in or to any of the trademarks, trade names, slogans, labels, trade dress, designs or other indicators of source owned or used by either BPCC or NSU nor the good will connected thereto is conveyed under this Articulation Agreement. Both parties understand and agree that for all purposes, all trademarks, service marks, trade names, logos or identifying slogans and promotional material, whether or not registered, belonging to one party shall not be used by the

other party except in connection with promoting the articulation program pursuant to this Articulation Agreement.

Indemnification and Hold Harmless

To the extent authorized by law, in consideration of the performance by NSU of this agreement, NSU does hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless BPCC, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all claims, debts and causes of action from either (1) the actions of instructors employed by BPCC under this agreement; (2) the actions of BPCC and/or its administrators directly or indirectly affecting students of BPCC enrolled in or qualified but rejected by the Articulation Agreement opportunity; (3) claimed or actual defects in premises owned or controlled by BPCC and used in the performance of this agreement; or (4) any acts or omissions of BPCC, its agents, servants, or employees, in the performance of this agreement.

To the extent authorized by law, in consideration of the performance by BPCC of this agreement, BPCC does hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the NSU, its agents, servants and employees from and against any and all claims, debts and causes of action from either (1) the actions of instructors employed by NSU under this agreement; (2) the actions of NSU and/or its administrators directly or indirectly affecting students of NSU enrolled in or qualified but rejected by the Articulation Agreement opportunity; (3) claimed or actual defects in premises owned or controlled by NSU and used in the performance of this agreement; or (4) any acts or omissions of NSU, its agents, servants, or employees, in the performance of this agreement.

Acceptance of Agreement

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives signify their intent to enter into a Transfer Articulation Agreement partnership and agree to comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this Articulation Agreement. This agreement will take effect June 1, 2021 and remain in effect and valid until otherwise terminated.

Signed on this day: April 76 2021

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Appendix - A NSU/BPCC Articulation Course Exchange Guide

ENGLISH (6 sem. hours):

BPCC COURSE	NSU COURSE
ENGL 101	ENGL 1010
ENGL 102	ENGL 1020

MATHEMATICS (3 sem. hours):

BPCC COURSE	NSU COURSE
MATH 102	MATH 1020

NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCES (6 sem. hours):

BPCC COURSE	NSU COURSE
FRSC 120	SCI 1010
FRSC 220	SCI 2010

HUMANITIES (3 sem. hours):

BPCC COURSE	NSU COURSE
HIST 201	HIST 2010
HIST 202	HIST 2020
ENGL 201	ENG 2110
ENGL 202	ENG 2110

SPEECH (3 sem. Hours)

BPCC COURSE	NSU COURSE
SPCH 110	COMM 1010

SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (3 sem. hours):

BPCC COURSE	NSU COURSE
PSYC 201	PSYC 1010
PSYC 220	PSYC 2050

POSC 201	PSCI 2010
SLGY 201	SOC 1010

Fire Science Non- Core Courses (30 sem. hours):

*BPCC Fire Science Courses	NSU Course Equivalent
FRSC 100	*Equivalent course numbers assigned by NSU
FRSC 110	
FRSC 130	
FRSC 140	
FRSC 150	
FRSC 200	
FRSC 210	
FRSC 230	
FRSC 240	
FRSC 250	
FRSC 260	
FRSC 270	