

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY FOR ONLINE DEGREE COMPLETION – ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE OR ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HEALTH SERVICES – CLINICAL SERVICES

OVERVIEW:

This formal program articulation agreement is made and entered into by Missouri State University, hereinafter referred to as MSU, and Ozarks Technical Community College, hereinafter referred to as OTC. By this agreement OTC and MSU express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By clarifying transfer policies and procedures, which assure articulation between programs, the institutions seek to assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree.

PURPOSE:

This agreement provides students who have earned an Associate of Applied Science or Associate of Science in one of the accredited clinical allied health professional programs at OTC the opportunity to complete an online Bachelor of Science in Health Services – Clinical Services at MSU. MSU will accept designated allied health clinical/professional education credits and appropriate general education credits taken as part of the allied health program and will apply such to the Bachelor of Science in a manner consistent with the transfer guidelines.

CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER:

Section I: Admissions and Matriculation

OTC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as native MSU students enrolled under a specific catalog.

Criteria for acceptance into the Bachelor of Science Health Services – Clinical Services program at MSU will be the same for transfer as for native students.

OTC, upon request of students, will provide verification of completed courses to MSU through its Office of the Registrar. The transcripts of students transferring from OTC will be evaluated by the Office of Admissions at MSU.

Transfer students from OTC will have access to financial aid, scholarships, and student services on the same basis as native students.

Section II: Transfer of Credit

Transfer students from OTC, who have completed an Associate of Applied Science or an Associate of Science degree in an allied health professional area of study, upon acceptance into the Bachelor of Science Health Services – Clinical Services within the Department of Biomedical Sciences, will be permitted to count a minimum of 30 and a maximum of 53 credit hours of clinical/professional allied health coursework toward completion of the Bachelor of Science degree. Credit hours and quality points associated with the allied health clinical/professional coursework will only be applied toward completion of the Bachelor of Science in Health Services – Clinical Services degree program. General education credits and/or elective credits will be applied to any degree program based upon the established transfer course equivalencies between MSU and OTC.

Section III: Program Plan

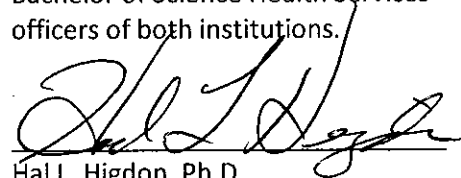
All students completing the Bachelor of Science in Health Services – Clinical Services must be formally admitted to the degree program. Admission requirements include completion of at least 30 credit hours and achievement of at least a 2.50 GPA. Students will also be responsible for successfully completing all other requirements outlined by the major, including the following Missouri State University graduation requirements: completion of at least 125 credit hours, completion of at least 40 hours of upper division credit, and fulfillment of all general education requirements. This agreement will remain in effect regardless of whether MSU modifies the transfer guidelines after the effective date of this agreement.

TERMS of AGREEMENT:

This agreement is made and entered into in advance of the academic year 2013-2014 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both parties. The agreement may be amended at any time with the approval of both parties and is subject to review every three (3) years to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notification of two years will be required.

SIGNATURES:

Ozarks Technical Community College and Missouri State University hereby enter into this program articulation agreement leading from the Associate of Applied Science or Associate of Science to the Bachelor of Science Health Services – Clinical Services by the affixing of signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.



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Chancellor

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