MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AND BOSSIER PARISH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Northwestern State University of Louisiana (NSU) and Bossier Parish Community College (BPCC) have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for an articulation program between the two institutions. The articulation program will allow students to complete the Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapy Assistant at BPCC and transfer all credit hours as designated to NSU for completion of the Bachelor of Applied Science in Allied Health (BASAH) degree. Students transferring to NSU may complete the last two years of their course work at NSU. Both institutions serve constituency needs 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 BPCC will have the opportunity after earning the Associate of Applied Science degree in Physical Therapy Assistant at BPCC to transfer to a BASAH program that will accept BPCC credits. NSU will have the opportunity to accept students into the BASAH who are well prepared with foundation course work.

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

Both the University and the College have full-time faculty with advanced academic and professional credentials and both have support resources (i.e., library, on-line access, service courses, and adequate administrative-faculty-staff backup).

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

Provide academic advising to students who plan to transfer to NSU according to the listed agreements.

Have BPCC students who intend to transfer to NSU sign the Intent to transfer form and mail the completed form to NSU.

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

Provide transferring students assistance in completing a NSU BASAH Application for admission into the BASAH program.

Provide information about the Articulation Agreement in the Bossier Parish Community College General Catalog.

Jointly market the articulation agreement with NSU.

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

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

Accept Bossier Parish Community College credit hours as listed in the Memorandum of Understanding between Northwestern State University and BPCC.

Provide BPCC with copies of the Application for Admission into the BASAH program and other advising materials.

Provide information about the Articulation Agreement in the Northwestern State University catalog.

Jointly market the articulation agreement with BPCC.

By signature of President Randall J. Webb, Northwestern State University and signature of Chancellor Jim Henderson, Bossier Parish Community College, this Articulation Memorandum of Understanding is entered into on the ______ of March, 2012.

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

Dr. Randal J. Webb

Jim Henderson Chancellor

Date

Date

Appendix A BPCC AAS Physical Therapy Assistant Articulation

BPCC	NSU	Hours Needed	
ENGL 6 hours	ENGL 6 hours	0	
MATH 3 hours	MATH 6hours	3	
Natural Science hours	Natural Science/ Physical 9 hours	0	
Humanities 3 hours	Humanities 3 hours	0	
Fine Arts 0 hours	Fine Arts 3 hours	3	
Social/Behavioral 3 hours PSYC elective	Social/ Behavioral 6 hours	3	

NSU	BPCC Credit	Hours Needed	
ALHE 1020(med term)		0	
Psychology 2050		3	
ALHE 2200(culture & ethics)		2	
ALHE 3900(transition)		2	
ALHE 3840(advanced pt. care)		3	
Communication 1010		3	

Junior Year- Semester 2

NSU	BPCC Credit	Hours Needed	
ALHE 4520(research)		3	
Psychology 4400		3	
Allied Health informatics		3	
Concentration Courses		6	
Total Hours Needed= 15			

NSU	BPCC	Hours Needed	
ALHE 4600(teamwork)		4	
Elective	PTAP 203	0	
Concentration Courses		6	
Total Hours Needed= 10			
Senior Year- 2nd semester			
NSU	BPCC	Hours Needed	
		5	
ALHE 4900(directed study)			
ALHE 4900(directed study) ALHE 4630(organization)		3	

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:

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

Total Hours Awarded from BPCC= 59

Total Hours Needed from NSU for BASAH= 61

Appendix B
INTENT TO TRANSFER

Student:	BPCC Name:	>	NSU, BASAH Program
	SSN:		
	Address:		
	Phone:		
	Email:		

Upon completion of the Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapy Assistant at Bossier Parish 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 BPCC 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 acknowledge	s that I understand the conditions as stated above
Student's Signature	Date

Signature, BPCC Representative	Title	Date
Signature, NSU Representative	Title	Date