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| **MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**  **STATEWIDE HEALTH SCIENCES BROAD FIELD ARTICULATION AGREEMENT** |

This Agreement is entered into between Bemidji State University, Minnesota State University Moorhead, St. Cloud State University, Southwest Minnesota State University, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Metropolitan State University, Winona State University and System colleges approved to offer the Associate in Science Health Sciences Broad Field degree program. This Agreement and any amendments and supplements, shall be interpreted pursuant to the laws of the State of Minnesota.

This agreement is applicable to the university health sciences degree programs listed in Table 2. and system colleges approved to offer the Associate in Science Health Sciences Broad Field degree program as outlined in Table 1. This agreement will facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related program to another. It is mutually agreed upon:

Admission and Graduation Requirements

1. System university admission and program admission requirements apply equally to both direct entry students and to students who transfer under this agreement.
2. Students accepted into a system university must fulfill the baccalaureate program graduation requirements.

Transfer of Credits

1. System universities will accept 60 credits from system colleges to apply to a related health sciences baccalaureate degree program.
2. All courses in the Associate in Science Health Sciences Broad Field degree program transfer and count toward the selected university health sciences baccalaureate degree program requirements.
3. Baccalaureate health sciences degree programs may have limited enrollment capacity with seats available on a competitive basis. Completion of the Associate in Science Health Sciences Broad Field degree program does not guarantee admission to a baccalaureate program.
4. Students must complete at least six of the ten Minnesota Transfer curriculum goal areas to receive the Associate of Science in Health Sciences Broad Field degree. Students who want to complete more than six goal areas within the 60 credit degree program should be advised of goal area requirements.
5. Table 1. Identifies the Health Sciences Broad Field degree program required courses. MnSCU colleges and universities will provide advising to students regarding the selection of elective courses most suited for the student’s intended health sciences baccalaureate major.

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| Table 1: The Health Sciences Broad Field AS Requirements (\* denotes college lab required) | | | |
| Course: | MNTC Goal Area: | # of courses: | Credits: |
| English Composition | MNTC 1 | 1 course | 3-4 credits |
| Speech Communications (Intercultural, if possible) | MNTC 1, 7 | 1 course | 3 credits |
| College Algebra | MNTC 2, 4 | 1 course | 3-4 credits |
| Statistics (to include intro to descriptive, inferential and differential) | MNTC 2, 4 | 1 course | 3-4 credits |
| Cell/Intro Biology \* | MNTC 3 | 1 course | 4 credits |
| Chemistry\* | MNTC 3 | 1 course | 4-5 credits |
| Psychology (General and Lifespan) | MNTC 5, 7 | 2 courses | 6-8 credits |
| Introductory Sociology | MNTC 5 | 1 course | 3 credits |
| Ethics/ Philosophy | MNTC 6, 9 | 1 course | 3 credits |
| Microbiology\* | MNTC 3, 10 | 1 course | 3-4 credits |
| Anatomy and Physiology\* | MNTC 3 | 2 courses | 8 credits |
| Nutrition | Could vary or  count as an elective | 1 course | 3 credits |
|  |  | 14 courses | 46-53 credits |
| Electives (chosen per selected baccalaureate degree program) |  |  | 7 - 14 credits |
|  | Total |  | 60 credits |

Terms of Agreement

1. This Articulation Agreement is effective on March 31, 2011, and shall remain in effect unless terminated or amended by either party with 90 days prior written notice. This Articulation Agreement will be reviewed by all parties within five years of the effective date, on or before December 31, 2016.
2. The Chief Academic Officers or designees of the parties to this agreement will implement the terms of this agreement, including identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, assuring compliance with system policy, procedure and guidelines, and conducting a periodic review of this agreement.
3. Program curriculum and requirements may change as agreed by all parties.

This agreement is committed to articulation within the field of health sciences and the parties in the agreement share a belief that health care practice is best expressed in terms of learner outcomes rather than inputs and process measures. We acknowledge a common core of knowledge that increases in breadth, depth, and scope of practice as one chooses to progress along the educational continuum. This agreement is designed to advance a shared commitment to providing opportunities for health sciences educational mobility without undue loss of credit.

**APPLICABLE PROGRAMS**

To complete a health sciences baccalaureate degree program, credits from the Health Sciences Broad Field, AS degree program will transfer to university programs listed below according to terms of this agreement.

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| Table 2. Health Sciences Broad Field, AS, articulates to the following related university programs[[1]](#footnote-1): |
| **Bemidji State University, including but not limited to:**   * Community Health * Exercise Science * Nursing (limited seats available on a competitive basis) |
| **Metropolitan State University, including but not limited to:**   * Nursing (limited seats available on a competitive basis) |
| **Minnesota State University, Mankato, including but not limited to:**   * Communication Disorders * Foods and Nutrition * Dental Hygiene (limited seats available on a competitive basis) * Therapeutic Recreation * Dietetics * Nursing (limited seats available on a competitive basis) * Corrections * Psychology * Health Science * Social Work |
| **Minnesota State University Moorhead, including but not limited to:**   * Health Education * Exercise Science * Community Health |
| **St. Cloud State University, including but not limited to:**   * Athletic Training * Community Health * Social Work |
| **Southwest Minnesota State University, including but not limited to:**   * Exercise Science |
| **Winona State University, including but not limited to:**   * Health, Exercise and Rehabilitative Sciences * Movement Sciences * Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation * Exercise Science * Health Promotion * Nursing (limited seats available on a competitive basis) * Biology – Allied Health |

**AGREEMENT DATES**

Effective Date: March 31, 2011;

Review Date: December 31, 2016.

By my signature below, I support the terms of this “MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES HEALTH SCIENCES BROAD FIELD TRANSFER AGREEMENT”

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| **Nancy Erickson, VP Academic Affairs**  *Bemidji State University*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date**: 3/22/2011 | **Devinder Malhhotra, Provost/VP Academic Affairs**  *St Cloud State University*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date**: 3/14/2011 |
| **Gary Seiler, Interim Provost & VP Academic Affairs** *Metropolitan State University*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date**: 3/18/2011 | **Anne Blackhurst, Acting VP Academic Affairs**  *Minnesota State University, Mankato*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date**: 3/18/2011 |
| **Ginny Bair, Assistant VP Academic Affairs**  *Minnesota State University Moorhead*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date**: 3/25/2011 | **Sally M. Johnstone, Provost & VP Academic Affairs**  *Winona State University*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date**: 3/14/2011 |
| **Beth Weatherby, Provost/VP Academic and Student Affairs**  *Southwest Minnesota State University*  Electronic Signature on file  **Date** 3/24/2011 | |

1. See advisor for specific course requirements of the selected baccalaureate program. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)