AGREEMENT
FOR AN ARTICULATED PROGRAM
BETWEEN

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
AND
NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

I. INTRODUCTION

Based upon a mutual respect for the integrity of parallel academic programs and in an effort to better serve students intending to pursue the chiropractic profession, South Dakota State University (SDSU) and the National University of Health Sciences (NUHS) hereby enter into an agreement for an articulated program. This agreement will define course work to be completed at SDSU for a student intending to matriculate at NUHS, special terms of admission to NUHS, and special criteria for the awarding of the B.S. degree to participating students.

Objectives of the Agreement:

1. To attract qualified students to South Dakota State University and to the National University of Health Sciences.

2. To facilitate the transition of students from SDSU to NUHS.

3. To provide specific advisement for students of SDSU who intend to pursue professional study at NUHS.

4. To encourage academic and administrative coordination between institutions, and the exchange of evaluative information on the outcomes of the program with the goal of continual improvement.

5. To provide qualified students the opportunity to complete the baccalaureate degree and the doctor of chiropractic degree in one less year than the normal time to complete each degree individually, i.e. 7 years.

II. ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

1. Under the provisions of this program, student will matriculate at SDSU for a minimum of 90 semester credits in course work leading toward the Bachelor of Science in Biology - Pre-Professional Specialization.

General Education Requirements:

Written Communication	6 credits
Oral Communication	3 credits
Social Sciences	6 credits
Arts & Humanities	6 credits

Mathematics	4-5 credits
First Year Experience	2 credits
Bioethics (BIOL 383)	4 credits

Major:

BIOL 151 + 151L General Biology I + Lab	4 credits
BIOL 153 + 153L General Biology II + Lab	4 credits
BIOL 221 + 221L Human Anatomy + Lab	4 credits
BIOL 202 + 202L Genetics & Organismal Biology + Lab	4 credits
BIOL 204 + 204L Genetics & Cellular Biology + Lab	4 credits
MICR 233 & 233L	4 credits OR
MICR 231 +231L General Microbiology + Lab	4 credits
BIOL 290 Seminar	1 credit
BIOL 325 + 325L Physiology + Lab	4 credits
CHEM 112 + 112L General Chemistry I + Lab	4 credits
CHEM 114 + 114L General Chemistry II + Lab	4 credits
CHEM 326 + 326L Organic Chemistry I + Lab	4 credits
CHEM 328 + 328L Organic Chemistry II + Lab	4 credits
PHYS 111 + 111L Intro to Physics I + Lab	4 credits
PHYS 113 + 113L Intro to Physics II + Lab	4 credits
MATH 125 Calculus II	4 credits
Or	
STAT 281 Introduction to Statistics	3 credits
ENGL 379 Technical Communication	3 credits
TOTAL	90-91

Recommended Electives (optional):

PE 350 Exercise Physiology	3 credit
PE 454 Biomechanics	3 credits
ADVANCED ANATOMY/ANATOMY INTERNSHIP	2-5 credits
TOTAL	98-102 CREDITS

Transfer Credits: 30 credits
Electives taken at NUHS in the Basic Sciences.

Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

2. Students are admitted to NUHS only as first year doctorate of chiropractic students. Upon completion of the first year of studies at NUHS a maximum of 48 NUHS credits (32 semester credits) may be transferred toward completion of the B.S. degree at SDSU. An official transcript must be sent from NUHS to the Registrar of SDSU, and the student must request application materials for graduation.

3. While enrolled at SDSU, students will complete all required course work as outlined above and described in the SDSU catalog.

4. The acceptance of transfer credits or testing toward completion of degree requirements shall be governed by current policies of SDSU. However, no more than 20 credits of required courses for admission to NUHS may be earned by transfer from another school.

5. The National University of Health Sciences shall accept, for the entrance date of their choice, all students who successfully complete the Pre-Chiropractic Program with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and meet all other criteria for admission, including letters of recommendation, personal interview, etcetera.

6. Exceptional students who earn less than a 3.5 GPA, with the recommendation from their SDSU advisor, will be eligible for admission to NUHS. They will receive appropriate consideration in the admission process for having completed the Pre-Chiropractic Program, but will not receive the assurance of a seat reserved for students earning a 3.5 or higher GPA.

7. Students will make application to NUHS one year in advance of their desired entrance date and will complete all required application procedures thereafter in a timely manner, including submission of recommendation and a satisfactory interview.

8. Students enrolled in the "Advanced Scholars Program" who successfully complete all course work in the first 3 trimesters at NUHS with C's or better will be granted the Bachelor of Science from SDSU, provided they have met all other graduation requirements.

9. Students shall pay the appropriate tuition and fees to each institution for all course work taken at that institution. During their first year of study at NUHS, students shall not be registered for courses at SDSU, but shall pay any fees required to maintain their registration toward the baccalaureate degree. Upon completion of the first year of study at NUHS, students shall be responsible for any fees regularly charged by SDSU for transfer of credits and awarding the baccalaureate degree.

III. MUTUAL PROMOTION OF THE PROGRAM

South Dakota State University and the National University of Health Sciences both agree to encourage qualified students to participate in this joint degree program through advisement and dissemination of information. The appropriate advisor at SDSU will make every effort to maintain a list of students actively pursuing the program with the intent to enroll at NUHS and will periodically inform the Admissions Office at NUHS of the current list.

Both institutions agree to promote the "Advanced Scholars Program" in their recruitment activities and literature and to refer prospective students, when appropriate, to the other's admission office.

IV. STUDENT ADVISEMENT

An appropriate faculty member at SDSU shall be assigned and responsible to advise students regarding their academic preparation for admission to NUHS and for their ultimate goal of chiropractic licensure. This advisement shall include attention to special requirements for licensure in some states, such as completion of the baccalaureate degree prior to matriculation to a chiropractic program.

Care will be taken to make students aware that some state boards of chiropractic require completed baccalaureate degrees PRIOR TO CHIROPRACTIC STUDY, and to advise students planning to practice in those states accordingly.

V. CONTINUATION AND TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This agreement shall be in force until either institution makes a decision in writing to terminate it. It is agreed that if terminated, that both institutions will honor the terms of the agreement until all students already admitted are given the opportunity to complete the program in a timely manner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto affixed their signatures the 5th day of April 2013.

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