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3 + 1 ARTICULATION / TRANSFER AGREEMENT

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

AND

South College
School of Pharmacy

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Attachment A, Program of Study

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THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into on December 8, 2015, by and between Middle Tennessee State University ("MTSU") and South College School of Pharmacy ("South"). The parties desire to enter into a contract pursuant to which students of MTSU will be eligible for consideration for admission to the South Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree program, and articulated course credits from South to MTSU, to complete the Bachelor of Science degree, according to the terms contained in this Agreement.

ACCORDINGLY, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Description of Articulation Program.

- a. Definitions. Articulation criteria is defined in Attachment A.
- b. Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate the consideration for admission of MTSU students to South's Doctor of Pharmacy degree program; to provide specific advisement for MTSU students who intend to apply to South; to advise MTSU students of the opportunity to transfer identified courses completed during the first year at the School of Pharmacy back to MTSU to complete requirements of the Bachelor of Science degree; and, to encourage academic and administrative coordination between the institutions in the following program:
 - Bachelor of Science in Health Science (Pre-Pharmacy Program) leading to the
 - Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

Attachment A, "Program of Study" outlines courses that must be taken at MTSU to be considered for admission to the South's Doctor of Pharmacy degree program. A listing of South courses that students shall be required to complete and transfer back to MTSU in order to earn a Bachelor of Science in Health Science degree through MTSU is provided as well.

In compliance with TBR Guideline A-031, Attachment A also outlines:

- Competencies that indicate that the learning outcomes specified in courses offered by MTSU satisfy learning outcomes in similar courses offered by South. Syllabi and competency lists of the courses from the institutions involved must be maintained in the appropriate offices of both institutions;
- Descriptions of required proficiency levels and criteria for measurement; and
- The evaluation plan and process.

- c. Semester meetings. MTSU commits to providing specialized advising to the student to ensure the student is taking the correct courses to be considered for admission to South. Following the student's successful admission to South, MTSU commits to maintaining contact with the student to ensure smooth transfer of course credit back to MTSU to complete the Bachelor of Science in Health Science degree.
- d. Annual review. This Agreement will be subject to annual review by representatives of each institution. Any recommendations for revisions will be made in writing and reviewed by each institution's respective Chief Academic Officer or their designees. The articulation requirements of this Agreement may only be amended in the form of an Amendment signed by authorized representatives of the parties and the Tennessee Board of Regents.
- e. Admission requirements. MTSU students wishing to gain admission to South must meet the admissions requirements set forth by South. Application to South must be made via PharmCAS and is typically done at the beginning of the student's third year at MTSU. Selection for admission to South is competitive and is made by the admissions committee of the program according to its selection process. If admitted, the students shall become subject to all South policies, procedures and rules.
- f. Non-Exclusivity. This Agreement is not exclusive, and either party may enter into similar agreements with any other party.

2. Term and Termination.

- a. Term. This Agreement will be effective from the date of final signature below, the Effective Date, until terminated in writing by either party. It is agreed that if terminated, both institutions will honor the terms of the Agreement until the end of the next admissions application and review period of MTSU.
- b. Post-Termination. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, MTSU students previously accepted by or admitted to South shall continue to receive the benefits contemplated by this Agreement.

3. Miscellaneous.

- a. Non-discrimination. The parties agree to comply with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Executive Order 11,246, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the related regulations to each. Each party assures that it will not discriminate against any individual including, but not limited to, employees or applicants for employment and/or students because of race, religion, creed, color, sex, age, disability, veteran status or national origin.

The parties also agree to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during their employment without regard to their race, religion, creed, color, sex, age, disability, veteran status, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection available to employees and applicants for employment.

- b. Binding agreement. This Agreement shall not be binding upon the parties until it is approved by the president or designee and the Tennessee Board of Regents.
- c. Point of contact information.

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- d. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee without regard to its conflict of laws provisions.
- e. Notices. All notices or other written communications relating to termination, expiration, or any other legal matter relating to this Agreement will be effective when received and must be given in writing by courier or reputable overnight delivery service, or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to either party at the following address (or to such other address as such party may substitute, by providing a written notice.)

For South
Stephen A. South
President
3904 Lonas Drive
Knoxville, Tennessee 37909

For MTSU:
Dr. Brad Bartel
Provost
1301 East Main Street
Murfreesboro, TN 37132


- f. Waivers. The waiver by either party of any provision of this Agreement on any occasion and upon any particular circumstance shall not operate as a waiver of such provision of this Agreement on any other occasion or upon any other circumstance.
- h. Complete Agreement; Integration. This Agreement contains the complete understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all other agreements, understandings, communications and promises of any kind, whether oral or written, between the parties with respect to such subject matter.
- i. Counterparts; Facsimile Signatures. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, all of which shall be originals and which together shall constitute a single agreement. For the purpose of interpreting this Agreement, facsimile signatures shall be considered equivalent to original signatures.


- j. Independent Contractors. The parties are independent contractors, and no agency, partnership, franchise, joint venture, or employment relationship is intended or created by this Agreement. Neither party shall make any commitment, or give the impression that it has authority to make any commitment, on behalf of the other party.
- k. Confidentiality of Records. All educational records created, disclosed, or maintained pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are confidential and shall be created, disclosed, and maintained pursuant to the provisions of Family Educational Right to Privacy Act, also known as FERPA (20 U.S.C.A. s1232g) and its regulations.

In witness whereof, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

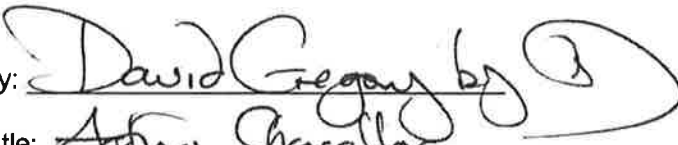
Middle Tennessee State University

South College School Of Pharmacy

By: 
 Title: Alan R. Thomas
Interim Vice President
Business and Finance
 Date: 2/3/2016

By: 
 Title: Dean
 Date: 15 December 2015

Approved: Tennessee Board of Regents

By: 
 Title: Acting Chancellor
 Date: 2/24/16

The courses a student will take at South during their First Professional Year are below. Once completed these courses may be transferred back to MTSU to fulfill the Bachelor of Science in Health Science Degree.

First Professional Year

Quarter One

PSC 6110	Biochemistry	5-0-0-5
PSC 6121	Pathophysiology I	2-0-0-2
PSC 6130	Immunology	3-0-0-3
PPR 6151	Pharmacy Practice I-Introduction to Pharmacy Practice in the Healthcare System	3-0-0-3
PPR 6260	Basic Clinical and Communication Skills	<u>2-0-0-2</u>

15 hours

Quarter Two

PSC 6140	Pharmacy Calculations	2-0-0-2
PSC 6211	Pathophysiology II	2-0-0-2
PSC 6220	Integrated Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacology I	5-0-0-5
PPR 6230	Pharmacy Practice II-Introduction to Patient Care	3-0-0-3
PPR 6240	Career Paths and Introduction to Practice	1-0-0-1
PPR 6250	Pharmacy Practice III-Public Health and Wellness	3-0-0-3
PPR 6270	Forum and Professionalism	<u>1-0-0-1</u>

17 hours

Quarter Three

PSC 6311	Integrated Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacology II	5-0-0-5
PSC 6320	Pharmaceutics I	4-0-0-4
PSC 6350	Pathophysiology III	2-0-0-2
PSC 6430	Sterile Products	1-2-0-2
PPR 6340	Clinical Laboratory Medicine	2-0-0-2
PPR 6361	Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience I	<u>0-0-9-3</u>

18 hours

Quarter Four

PSC 6330	Pharmacy Dispensing and Compounding Lab	2-2-0-3
PSC 6410	Integrated Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacology III	5-0-0-5
PSC 6420	Pharmaceutics II	4-0-0-4
PSC 6440	Basic Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics	3-0-0-3
PPR 6451	Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience II	<u>0-0-9-3</u>

18 hours