

DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAM AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
YORK COLLEGE AND CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY

This Dual-Degree Program between York College and Creighton University ("Creighton") is effective as of the last date executed by the parties below.

WHEREAS, York College wishes to provide students with the opportunity to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing not available at York College; and

WHEREAS, Creighton offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing in the Grand Island community through affiliation with CHI Health St. Francis; and

WHEREAS, Creighton wishes to offer to undergraduate students from York College with requisite coursework and grades acceptable to Creighton, admission to the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing program (ABSN Program") at the Grand Island campus to seek a combined baccalaureate degree from York College and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Creighton, as outlined in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Creighton wishes to offer admission to this ABSN program currently offered once a year commencing each fall term in August;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to memorialize the terms of this dual degree program in this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, York College and Creighton agree as follows:

1. Dual Degree Baccalaureate Program. The Program is a 3+1 program between Creighton and York College, in which a student who successfully completes the Program will earn a baccalaureate degree from York College and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Creighton.
2. Admission Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program (ABSN) Prior to admission to the ABSN Program the student must:
 - a. Complete the required curriculum as identified by York College with respect to the student's specific major at York College with an overall cumulative average of 3.0 or greater on a scale of 0.0-4.0. Furthermore, students must have at least a "C"(2.0) grade in all courses prerequisite to nursing.
 - b. Complete all current requirements established by Creighton regarding criteria for Direct Admission (Exhibit A) into the 3+1 program with York College and Progression into the Creighton University ABSN program (At the time of execution of this agreement, the requirements are set forth as attached

in Exhibit A and on the Creighton website at

<https://nursing.creighton.edu/future-students/admissions/requirements-accelerated-bsn>

- c. Be in disciplinary good standing at York College.

3. Admission Process.

- a. Admission into the ABSN program at Creighton may be granted at the same time as admission to York College. Students who meet the criteria outlined in Exhibit A may be granted direct admission by York College into the Creighton 3+1 nursing program as freshman. As long as the student satisfactorily completes all prerequisite courses within 3.0 years and maintains at least a 3.0 GPA, their seat in the nursing program will be guaranteed. Students who do not meet these initial admission criteria, or students who wish to transfer into the 3+1 nursing program later in their academic careers may apply directly to the Creighton College of Nursing. As part of the application process, students will provide the appropriate permission for York College to provide the necessary documents to support the student's application. Examples of such documents include the student's current transcripts from York College as well as transcripts from any other colleges or universities attended present in the record. Admission of transfer students will be considered on an individual basis. Acceptance of transfer students into the ABSN Program at Creighton shall be at the sole discretion of Creighton and the student's application does not guarantee acceptance.
 - b. Transfer students (or students seeking program admission at some point after admission as a freshman) who complete their applications and send their required academic credentials by April 1st shall receive a conditional decision from Creighton by May 1st.
 - c. Acceptances to the Program prior to the end of a student's junior year shall be conditional, with formal admission contingent upon the student's final grade point average, completion of all nursing prerequisite requirements; completion of successful background check and drug screen, evidence of required immunizations and evidence that requirements for the York College degree will be satisfied prior to beginning the ABSN Program. Students must provide Creighton documentation of the above prior to a final decision being made by Creighton. Final acceptance into the Program is contingent upon Creighton's issuance of a written statement confirming said acceptance. Students complete the Creighton ABSN Program in Grand Island.
4. Tuition. Each student shall be responsible for paying the tuition and fees to the institution in which he or she is enrolled during the time enrolled and for complying with all of the policies and procedures of such institution. Once the student has entered Creighton as a student, the student's tuition and fees will be paid to Creighton. Tuition for elective or supplemental courses to support either degree shall be paid to the institution providing the elective, irrespective of the site of offering.

5. Minimum Credit Hours. Students must successfully complete a minimum of 58 credit hours in nursing offered through Creighton and the minimum number of hours, including hours transferred back from Creighton University to York College, required for a Bachelor's degree from York College.
6. Degrees Awarded. Students successfully completing the Program will be awarded a baccalaureate degree from York College and a baccalaureate degree from Creighton University. Students must complete both the degree from York College and the degree from Creighton at the same time.
7. Responsibilities of York College.
 - a. York College will appoint a liaison for the Program. The liaison will, no less frequently than once a semester, provide information to Creighton College of Nursing concerning: how the Program was publicized at York College and elsewhere; how many students were advised, recruited or expressed interest in nursing and Creighton; and how many students are enrolled at York with intention to continue in Creighton's ABSN program. The York College liaison shall keep Creighton up-to-date about student progression and numbers and other relevant information.
 - b. York College agrees that it shall be a goal of York College to refer a minimum of ten qualified students to the Program each year. If less than 10 students are referred over a three-year time frame, this agreement with York College will be assessed by Creighton to determine whether Creighton shall continue it.
 - c. York College will advertise the availability of the Program through their catalogue literature, special bulletins, web sites and other means.
 - d. York College shall provide one dedicated office on the York College campus for use by Creighton faculty and/or staff.
 - e. York College agrees that, during the term of this Agreement, it shall not enter into any other commitments with institutions of higher education for a dual degree program that includes Nursing.

8. Responsibilities of Creighton University

- a. Creighton University will appoint a liaison for the program. The liaison will, no less frequently than once a semester, provide information to the York College Provost or the Provost's designee concerning: the progress of York College students enrolled in the ABSN program, requests for scheduling of future courses on the York College campus, and any changes or anticipated changes to the ABSN program, etc.
- b. Creighton University will advertise the availability of the program through their catalog literature, special bulletins, websites, and other means.
- c. Creighton University will supply all Creighton faculty, staff, and students with the necessary technological hardware, software, and support.
- d. Creighton University will ensure that all faculty and staff who have a presence on the York College campus complete any online training modules--including but not limited to FERPA and sexual harassment--required of York College faculty and staff

8. Coordination between York College and Creighton. Appropriate representatives of York College and Creighton shall meet, in person or over the phone, periodically to discuss and update decisions regarding the operations of the Program. Creighton will provide to the York College liaison current curriculum outlines from the nursing department and the contact information for one faculty member in the ABSN Program who will serve as the ABSN Program faculty advisor for incoming students. Creighton will advise the York College liaison of any curricular changes so that York College can better advise its students regarding preparation for or application to the ABSN Program.

9. Term and Termination. This agreement will be in effect for one year from the date hereof, and will automatically be extended from year-to-year unless one of the parties notifies the other party in writing sixty (60) days prior to the end of any academic year that the agreement is not to be renewed for the following academic year. In the event that Creighton terminates this agreement, students who currently are enrolled in the ABSN Program shall be permitted to complete their individual ABSN Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the Program in effect at the time of their enrollment. In the event of termination for any reason, York College shall cease referring to the Program in College's documents (electronic or hard copy).

10. Not a Third-Party Beneficiary Agreement. This agreement is not a third-party beneficiary contract and confers no rights upon any students or employees of the parties.

11. No Discrimination. The parties agree not to discriminate on the basis of race,

religion, age, sex, color, disability, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, political affiliation, or status as a veteran.

12. The parties understand and agree that information regarding students is subject to the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. The parties agree to use such information only for the purpose for which it was disclosed and not to make it available to any third party without first obtaining the student's consent, except as may otherwise be permitted under FERPA.
13. Amendments. The Agreement may not be amended or modified without the written consent of the parties hereto.
14. Choice of Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Nebraska without regard to its conflict of laws provisions and exclusive venue and jurisdiction for any litigation arising out of this Agreement shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Douglas County, Nebraska.
15. Use of Name. York College agrees to not use Creighton's name or logos for any advertising or other commercial purposes, or otherwise disclose any provisions of this Agreement, without the prior written approval of Creighton. Creighton University agrees to not use York College's name or logos for any advertising or other commercial purposes, or otherwise disclose any provisions of this Agreement, without the prior written approval of York College.
16. Notice. All notices and other correspondence related to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt, or by facsimile transmission or electronic mail if the necessary information for delivery of such is shown below, addressed as follows:

If to York College:
York College
1125 E. 8th Street
York, NE 68467
Attn: Provost

If to Creighton:
Creighton University
College of Nursing
2500 California Plaza
Omaha, NE 68178
Attn: Dean Catherine M. Todero

With a copy to: General Counsel
2500 California Plaza
Omaha, NE 68178

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date stated below

YORK COLLEGE

BY:



Shane Mountjoy, PhD

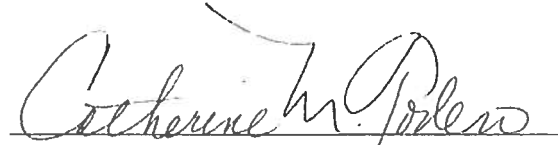
Provost

Date: 6-1-21

And

CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY

BY:

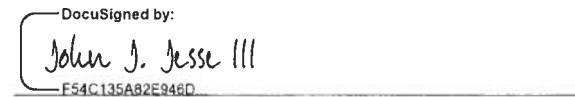


Catherine M. Todero, PhD, RN, FAAN

Vice Provost of Health Sciences Campuses and Dean
College of Nursing

Date: 5-25-2021

And

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John J. Jesse, III

Associate Vice President for Finance

6/1/2021 | 1:49 PM CDT

EXHIBIT A

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COLLEGE OF NURSING

**Criteria for Direct Admission into the 3+1 Program with York College and
Progression into the Creighton University College of Nursing ABSN program**

ADMISSION:

1. A student's minimum academic profile should be a least a 3.75 High School GPA

PROGRESSION: To ensure a guaranteed seat in the Creighton University Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) program the following is required:

1. Evidence of 3 years of collegiate academic achievement of at least a 3.0 grade average or higher on a 4.0 scale.
2. Completion of ALL prerequisite courses with a "C"(2.0) or above:
 - a. Statistics (3 semester hours)
 - b. Behavioral Sciences (9 semester hours)
 - General Psychology (3 semester hours)
 - General Sociology or Cultural Anthropology (3 semester hours)
 - Developmental Psychology (3 semester hours). This course should cover the lifespan. (Infancy through Old Age)
 - c. Bioethics or Ethics (3 semester hours). The application of ethical theories to contemporary problems of human life; emphasizes the process of making ethical/moral judgements.
 - d. Physical and Biological Sciences (18-19 semester hours)
 - Microbiology (4 semester hours)
 - Inorganic/General Chemistry (4 semester hours) (cannot be an Introductory Chemistry, Survey of Chemistry or a combined General/Organic/Biochemistry course)
 - Anatomy and Physiology (8 semester hours- This may be two combined courses or a human anatomy and a human physiology course)
 - Nutrition (2-3 semester hours)
3. No more than two "C" grades in York College science courses (Grades in science courses need to be C (2.0) or higher (BIO 154 College Biology, BIO 313 Nutrition, CHM 214 College Chemistry I, CHM 224 College Chemistry II, BIO 314 Human Anatomy, BIO 324 Human Physiology, BIO 344 Microbiology, BIO 413 Genetics)
4. Criteria for admission for transfer students (or students seeking program admission at some point after admission as a freshman) will be evaluated on an individual basis.