

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (3+3 AGREEMENT)

BETWEEN

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

AND

PARKER UNIVERSITY

I. PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW

Whereas Parker University (PU) is recognized as a leader in chiropractic education, and has an interest in attracting qualified and well prepared students who choose to pursue a doctoral degree in chiropractic; and whereas Texas A&M University-Commerce (A&M-Commerce) and PU share a common interest in assisting students to pursue their educational objectives as speedily and economically as possible; and whereas A&M-Commerce and PU share a common interest in assisting students to pursue their educational objectives and has an interest in serving the health care needs of residents of Texas and the region; therefore, A&M-Commerce and PU agree to enter into this Articulation Agreement for the mutual benefit of students and their respective institutions.

Texas A&M University-Commerce will be responsible for identifying and recruiting their students who may qualify under the terms of this agreement. PU and A&M-Commerce agree to a joint admissions process that will allow qualified pre-chiropractic students to follow a defined curriculum for these three years of full-time study at A&M-Commerce. Upon completion of the A&M-Commerce pre-professional curriculum and requirements for conditional acceptance (Appendix A), PU will be exclusively responsible for evaluating and selecting those students who will be accepted into its Doctor of Chiropractic program. Courses taken at A&M-Commerce during the first three years will satisfy the remaining requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree, and such degree will be awarded to the student by A&M-Commerce.

II. CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS

The curriculum for the pre-professional undergraduate course of study at A&M-Commerce will be determined by the requirements necessary for the granting of the Bachelor of Science Degree (non-specified discipline), but whose requirements are met by the curriculum specified in this Agreement (Appendices A and B,) and such degree will ultimately be granted by A&M-Commerce. The pre-professional undergraduate curriculum, taken at A&M-Commerce will include all of the courses required by PU as part of its admission requirements, and which are described in the current PU catalog.

III. PARKER UNIVERSITY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

PU will consider, for provisional acceptance, all students who have successfully completed the pre-professional phase of the program (A&M-Commerce curriculum) into the first year of instruction at PU, provided the following conditions have been met:

- Students must be currently enrolled at A&M-Commerce, and have satisfactorily completed the entire pre-professional curriculum (as defined in Appendix B) with a minimum overall GPA of 2.5 (on a scale of 0 to 4), and with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a scale of 0 to 4) of all pre-requisite science courses.
- A minimum transfer of 90 semester hours is required.
- Submission of an application for admittance to PU at least six months prior to the expected entrance date, including a letter of recommendation from the student's health professions advisor.

- A personal interview by the PU Admissions Coordinator, resulting in a positive recommendation to accept the candidate. Ultimate acceptance of the student into the Doctor of Chiropractic program at PU will be determined by the PU Dean of Enrollment.
- Evidence of a commitment to study chiropractic. This commitment could be demonstrated by working or volunteering in a chiropractic setting, shadowing a licensed doctor of chiropractic, membership in a recognized campus pre-chiropractic club or becoming knowledgeable on chiropractic topics.
- Under special circumstances, students with less than a 3.00 OPA, but at least a 2.50 OPA may be considered for admission, but acceptance and enrollment is not guaranteed.

IV. TUITION AND FEES

Student will be individually responsible for registration, the securing of financial aid and the payment of tuition and fees during their enrollment at the respective institutions.

V. PROGRAM CHANGE NOTIFICATION

Each institution agrees to advise and make available to the other any change in program or curriculum content in advance of such change and in a timely manner.

VI. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement is effective immediately upon execution of signatures by representatives of both institutions, and will remain in effect until cancelled by either university.

VII. CANCELLATION

PU and A&M-Commerce will have the right to terminate the Agreement, with or without cause by delivering written notice to termination to the other party. Such notice to terminate shall be submitted by Certified Mail, return receipt, and will be effective immediately upon receipt of said notice. Upon such notice of termination of this Agreement, admission of the new students will cease. At the time of such termination, students enrolled in the undergraduate pre -professional phase of this program will be allowed to complete the program of study, provided they meet the requirement for entry into the professional phase as defined above in Parker University Admission Requirements and provided they continue to meet the Satisfactory Academic Progress standard found in the PU Catalog. All requirements and qualifications for acceptance, matriculation and graduation of students under this Agreement shall remain in effect until each student enrolled under this Agreement shall have full and reasonable opportunity to satisfactorily complete the program.

VIII. ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT

This Articulation Agreement between PU and A&M-Commerce, with Appendices A and B shall constitute the entirety of this Agreement. Amendments may be made only in writing, and with the mutual consent of both PU and A&M-Commerce.

IX. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION POLICIES

Both parties agree that in the performance of this Agreement, they will not discriminate unlawfully against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran's status or disability.

X. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Dispute Resolution: The dispute resolution process provided in chapter 2260, Texas Government Code, and the related rules adopted by the Texas Attorney General pursuant to chapter 2260, shall

APPENDIX A
MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students seeking admission to Parker University (PU) under terms of this agreement must meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of 90 semester hours, or to be scheduled to complete a Bachelor's Degree from A&M-Commerce prior to matriculation at PU.
2. Complete six (6) semester units of Anatomy, Biology, Botany, Physiology, or Zoology, including a minimum of two semester units of laboratory.
3. Complete six (6) semester units of Inorganic Chemistry, including two semester units of Inorganic Chemistry.
4. Complete six (6) semester units of Organic Chemistry, including two semester units of Organic Chemistry or Biochemistry laboratory.
5. Complete three (3) semester units of Physics, including one semester unit of laboratory. Additionally, three (3) semester units of a second Physics course with laboratory, or Kinesiology, Exercise Physiology, Biomechanics or Statistics.
6. Complete six (6) semester units of English Composition, Speech, Literature, or Communication Skills.
7. Complete 15 elective credits from Social Science, Humanities, Fine Arts, which include the following courses: History, Government, English, Foreign Language, Sociology, Psychology, Drama, Philosophy, Business and/or Marketing.
8. Complete three semester units of Psychology.
9. Attain a cumulative science GPA of 3.0 or better on a scale of 0 to 4.
10. Attain a cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or better on a scale of 0 to 4.
11. Demonstrate a commitment to the study of chiropractic.
12. Maintain the ethical and moral status required of a professional candidate.

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APPENDIX B
COURSES TAKEN AT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE THAT WILL SATISFY PU
UNDERGRADUATE
REQUIRED COURSES
Texas A&M University-Commerce
3+3 Program

Liberal Arts Core: 41 semester credit hours

English-12 hours

- ENGL1301
- ENGL 1302
- ENGL 2xxx (2 courses)

Social Science (Must include 3 hours of Psychology)-12 hours

- PSYC 2301

Math-3-4 hours

- MATH 1314 or Algebra 1414

Humanities-6 hours

Oral Communication-3 hours

- SPCH 1311 or 1315

Natural Science (Covered in Major)

Nonwestern Culture- 3 hours

Physical Education-2 hours

Major: 28 hours

BIOL 1406 Biology I (for Science majors) -4 hours

BIOL 1407 Biology II (for Science majors)-4 hours

BIOL1411 General Botany-4 hours

BIOL 1424 Intermediate Botany-4 hours

BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I-4 hours

BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II-4 hours

BIOL 2421 Microbiology-4 hours

BIOL 2416 Genetics-4 hours

BIOL 2428 Comparative Anatomy of Vertebrates-4 hours

Additional Courses: 27 hours

CHEM 1411 Chemistry I-4 hours

CHEM 1412 Chemistry II-4 hours

CHEM 2423 Organic Chemistry I- 4 hours

CHEM 2425 Organic Chemistry II-4 hours

MATH 1316 Trigonometry 3 hours

PHYS1401 General Physics 4 hours

PHYS1402 General Physics 4 hours

Total Hours at TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE 96 hours

Transfer Credits: (Electives taken at A&M-Commerce in the Basic Sciences) **30 hours**

Total Degree Requirements: 126 hours

REQUIRED COURSES
Texas A&M University-Commerce and Parker University
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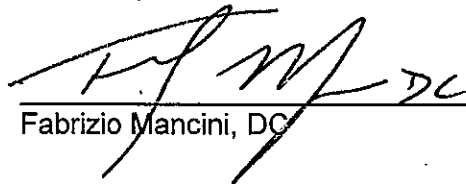
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| Pre-Chiropractic Phase | | |
| Biological Sciences | | 8 sh |
| | BIOL 1406 Modern Concepts in Biology I | |
| | BIOL 1407 Modern Concepts in Biology II | |
| General Chemistry | | 8 sh |
| | CHEM 1401 General Chemistry | 4 sh |
| | CHEM 1402 General Chemistry | 4 sh |
| Organic Chemistry | | 8 sh |
| | CHEM 3402 Organic Chemistry | 4 sh |
| | CHEM 3403 Organic Chemistry | 4 sh |
| Physics | | 8 sh |
| | PHYS 1401 General Physics | 4 sh |
| | PHYS 1402 General Physics | |
| | MATH 2301 Elementary Probability and Statistics (non-science) | |
| | POLS 2303 Statistics for Social Sciences (non-science) | |
| | PSYC 2301 Statistics for Social Sciences (non-science) | 4 sh |
| | SOCI Statistics for Social Sciences (non-science) | |
| | KINE 4301 Exercise Physiology (non-science) | |
| | KINE 4303 Biomechanics (non-science) | |
| English Composition | | 3 sh |
| | ENGL 1301 Introduction to Language and Literature I | |
| | ENGL 1302 Introduction to Language and Literature II | 3 sh |
| | ENGL 3305 Advanced Written Communication | |
| English or Oral Communication | | 3 sh |
| | ENGL 1301 Introduction to Language and Literature I | |
| | ENGL 1302 Introduction to Language and Literature II | |
| | ENGL 3305 Advanced Written Communication | 3 sh |
| | COMA 1302 Fundamentals of Speech Communication | |
| Psychology | | 3 sh |
| | PSYC 1301 General Psychology | 3 sh |
| | PSYC 4312 Human Growth and Development | |
| | SOCI 4313 Human Growth and Development | |
| Humanities/Social Sciences/Fine Arts | | 15 sh |
| | History/Government/Geography (max 9 sh) | |
| | Sociology/Psychology/Religion/Philosophy (max 9 sh) | |
| | Art/Music/Theatre Appreciation/Literature/Foreign Language (max 6 sh) | |
| Mathematics | | 6 sh |
| | Algebra, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Analytical Geometry, Differential Equations, or higher mathematics. | 6 sh |
| Required Electives | | 6 sh |
| | Accounting, Business, Communications, Computer Science, Economics, Management, Marketing, Physical Anthropology | 6 sh |
| Electives | | 28 sh |
| Totals | | 90 sh |

be used by the parties hereto to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of contract made by either party that cannot be resolved in the ordinary course of business. The parties shall submit written notice of a claim of breach of contract under this Chapter to the representative undersigned party, who shall examine the claim and any counterclaim and negotiate with the other respective party in an effort to resolve the claim.


XI. NOTIFICATION

The following personnel and corresponding addresses will be used to notify the respective institution of any required written reports or notice of cancellation.

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