

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION\ACADEMIC AND PERSONNEL

September 12, 2019

ACTION: **Approve 3+2 Agreements with University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) & Midland University for Wayne State College**

Wayne State requests approval of the "U2MPH" Program, which allows WSC students to continue their education at UNMC resulting in a dual degree with a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS) and a Master in Public Health (MPH) in five (5) years (minimum of one hundred forty one [141] credit hours). A student enrolled in the U2MPH Program will complete the requirements at WSC as established by their undergraduate program requirements, and by transferring to UNMC complete their Master of Public Health degree.

Wayne State requests permission to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Midland University (MU). This 3+2 Program allows WSC students to continue their education at MU resulting in dual degrees, to include a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS) from WSC, and a Master of Athletic Training (MAT) from MU jointly completed within five (5) years (one hundred forty one [141] credit hours). A student enrolled in the MAT 3+2 Program will complete the requirements at WSC as established by their undergraduate program requirements, and by transferring coursework to MU complete a Master's of Athletic Training degree.

Board Policy 7015 requires Board action for approval of all academic agreements.

The System Office and Wayne State College recommend approval of the 3+2 Agreements with University of Nebraska Medical Center & Midland University for Wayne State.

ATTACHMENTS:

- WSC UNMC U2MPH Memorandum of Understanding (PDF)
- WSC Midland 3+2 in Athletic Training Agreement (PDF)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGES
doing business as
WAYNE STATE COLLEGE
AND
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA MEDICAL CENTER

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is a joint 3+2 U2MPH Program (Program) between the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges doing business as Wayne State College (WSC) and the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, a public body corporate, for and on behalf of the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). The Program allows WSC students to continue their education at UNMC resulting in a dual degree with a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS) and a Master in Public Health (MPH) in five years (minimum of 141 credit hours). A student enrolled in this Program will complete the requirements at WSC as established by their undergraduate program requirements, and by transferring to UNMC complete their MPH. Fifteen to twenty-four hours of credits will be reverse transferred from UNMC to WSC for degree completion.

Under the provisions of this MOU made this _____ day of _____, 2019, WSC and UNMC agree to the following conditions:

- 1) This MOU describing the 3+2 Program combining a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science and Master's degree in Public Health from WSC and UNMC will be effective beginning September 15, 2019.
- 2) The program of study is guided by the curriculum standards established by WSC and the UNMC MPH Program (accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health). The collaborative Program is a minimum of 141 credit hour undergraduate/professional option that allows eligible students to work toward completion of baccalaureate and master's degree requirements at the same time. Between 15-24 credits earned at UNMC will count toward the WSC BA/BS degree requirements.
- 3) Students will gain the MPH degree in one of the following concentration areas: biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental and occupational health, health promotion, maternal and child health or public health administration and policy.
- 4) Students declaring the intention to enter the 3+2 Program, will be required to prepare a plan of study in consultation with their WSC advisor. Once formally admitted into the MPH program, a UNMC advisor will guide the plan of study to complete the MPH requirements. The plan will cover the entire undergraduate and professional program and will be reviewed each semester with the student's advisors. A maximum of 24 MPH credits (of the required 42 graduate credits for the MPH degree) will be counted toward completion of the WSC undergraduate degree.
- 5) Students are eligible to apply to the U2MPH Program if:
 - a. They have completed at least 72 undergraduate credit hours and have a plan to have completed at least 96 undergraduate credits prior to the MPH program start;
 - b. They have a 3.5 Cumulative GPA in all WSC undergraduate work. Undergraduate transfer courses will not be calculated into the undergraduate GPA;

- c. They have completed the prerequisite courses required for the selected MPH concentration program.
- 6) Students will have two GPA's – one for undergraduate at WSC and one for graduate at UNMC. Students are subject to academic standards at both institutions.
- 7) Students must apply to the MPH graduate program after completing 72 credits at WSC, follow the normal graduate admission process, and indicate on the application their desire to enter the combined U2MPH Program. If a student is admitted to the MPH program, then they become eligible to enroll in its combined U2MPH Program.
- 8) Students will pay WSC tuition rates for courses taken at WSC. Students will pay UNMC tuition rates for courses taken at UNMC. Students may need to take courses online, which have a different tuition rate from on-campus classes.
- 9) Students enrolled in the U2MPH Program are eligible to receive scholarships from WSC to apply towards undergraduate tuition while attending WSC. Students may apply for scholarship or assistantship to apply towards graduate tuition while at UNMC.
- 10) Students will take courses at UNMC in the MPH program in their 4th year of their undergraduate studies. Graduate level courses (15-24 credit hours) taken at the College of Public Health will be accepted by WSC as elective credits to satisfy the BA/BS degree requirements at WSC.
- 11) UNMC Admission Requirements include:
 - a. Complete SOPHAS (Schools of Public Health Application Service);
 - b. 3.5 GPA for WSC courses at time of application and 3.00 GPA at time of entry into graduate standing;
 - c. Three letters of recommendation (minimum of 1 academic reference);
 - d. Personal statement;
 - e. Resume;
 - f. Transcripts; and,
 - g. Prerequisite Courses for Selected MPH Concentrations:
 - i. Epidemiology Prerequisites: The student must have received the equivalent of a grade of B or better in MAT 140, 180, 240, or 250 or higher;
 - ii. Environmental and Occupational Health Prerequisites: The student must have successfully completed the following courses: two semesters of biology, two semesters of chemistry, one semester of physics, and one semester of college-level math;
 - iii. Biostatistics Concentration Prerequisites: The student must have received the equivalent of a grade of B or better in a college-level statistics course, differential calculus and integral calculus.
- 12) Description of the 3+2 Program will be printed in the WSC Catalog and the UNMC catalog.
- 13) Amendments to this MOU shall be documented in writing and signed by both Parties.

- 14) This MOU shall automatically renew for successive annual terms unless terminated by either Party upon 90 days written notice to the other Party.
- 15) The designated WSC representative for the purposes of monitoring and oversight of this MOU is:
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- The designated UNMC representative for the purposes of monitoring and oversight of this MOU is:
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 College of Public Health
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- 16) Both Parties affirm that they will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) for sharing student information.

For the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges doing business as Wayne State College:

Signed: _____ Date _____
 Dr. Marysz P. Rames, President Wayne State College

Signed: _____ Date _____
 Dr. Paul Turman, Chancellor of the Nebraska State Colleges

The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, for and on behalf of the University of Nebraska Medical Center

Signed: _____ Date _____
 Ali S. Khan, Dean, College of Public Health

Signed: _____ Date _____
 Dele Davies, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Signed _____ Date _____
 Jeffrey P. Gold, Chancellor, UNMC

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGES
doing business as
WAYNE STATE COLLEGE
AND
MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is designed to create a 3+2 joint program (MAT 3+2) between the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges doing business as Wayne State College (WSC) and Midland University (MU). The MAT 3+2 allows WSC students to continue their education at MU resulting in dual degrees with a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS) from WSC and a Master of Athletic Training (MAT) from MU jointly completed within five years (141 credit hours). A student enrolled in MAT 3+2 will complete the requirements at WSC as established by their undergraduate program requirements, and by transferring to MU complete their MAT. Twenty-one (21) to twenty-four (24) hours of credits will be reverse transferred from MU to WSC for degree completion.

WSC and MU agree to the following conditions:

- 1) This MOU describing the MAT 3+2, which combines a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science from WSC and Master's degree in Athletic Training from MU will be effective beginning September 15, 2019.
- 2) The MAT 3+2 is guided by the curriculum standards established by WSC and the MU MAT Program (accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education). The MAT 3+2 is a 141 credit hour undergraduate/professional option that allows eligible students to work concurrently toward completion of both baccalaureate and master's degree requirements. Twenty-one (21) to twenty-four (24) credits earned at MU will count toward the WSC BA/BS degree requirements.
- 3) Students declaring the intention to enter the MAT 3+2 will be required to prepare a plan of study in consultation with their WSC advisor. The plan will cover the entire undergraduate and professional program and will be reviewed each semester with the student's advisors. A maximum of 24 MAT credits (of the required 41 graduate credits for the MAT degree) will be counted toward the WSC undergraduate degree.
- 4) Students are eligible to apply to the MAT 3+2 if:
 - a. They have completed at least 70 undergraduate credit hours and have a plan to have completed at least 97 undergraduate credits prior to the MAT program start;
 - b. They have a 2.75 Cumulative GPA in all WSC undergraduate work. Undergraduate transfer courses will not be calculated into the undergraduate GPA; and,
 - c. They have completed the prerequisite courses required for the MAT program.
- 5) Students will have two GPA's computed – one for undergraduate coursework completed at WSC and one for graduate coursework completed at MU. Students are subject to academic standards at both institutions.

- 6) Students must apply to the MAT graduate program after completing 70 credits at WSC, by following the normal MU graduate admission process. Once a student is admitted to the MAT program at MU, he/she is eligible to enroll in the MAT 3+2.
- 7) Students will pay WSC tuition rates for courses taken at WSC. Students will pay MU Master of Athletic Training tuition rates for all courses taken at MU, including those taken prior to graduating with their undergraduate degree. Students may need to take WSC courses online to complete the requirements of their undergraduate degree, which have a different tuition rate from on-campus classes. *Please note: there are no online courses offered by WSC that will transfer over to the MU MAT graduate curriculum.*
- 8) Students enrolled in the MAT 3+2 are eligible to receive scholarships from WSC to apply toward undergraduate tuition while attending WSC.
- 9) Students will take courses at MU in their 4th year of their undergraduate studies. Graduate level courses (21-24 credit hours) taken at MU will be accepted by WSC as elective credits to satisfy the BA/BS degree requirements at WSC.
- 10) MU Admission Requirements include:
 - a. Complete the MU online application form;
 - b. 2.75 GPA for WSC courses at time of application and at time of entry into the MAT program;
 - c. Personal Statement;
 - d. Athletic Training Clinical Exposure Hours Log;
 - e. Policies Form;
 - f. Reference Form;
 - g. Technical Standards Form;
 - h. Resume;
 - i. Transcripts; and,
 - j. Prerequisite Courses for MAT 3+2 (must earn a grade of C or better):
 - i. Anatomy and Physiology with lab – 2 semesters.
 - ii. Chemistry with lab – 1 semester.
 - iii. Physics with lab – 1 semester.
 - iv. Psychology – 1 semester.
 - v. Biology with lab – 1 semester.
 - vi. Statistics – 1 semester.
 - vii. Exercise Physiology – 1 semester.
 - viii. Biomechanics – 1 semester.
- 11) Description of the MAT 3+2 will be printed in the WSC Catalog and on the MU website.
- 12) Amendments to this MOU shall be documented in writing and signed by both parties.
- 13) This MOU shall automatically renew for successive annual terms unless terminated by either Party upon ninety (90) calendar days' written notice to the other Party.

- 14) The designated WSC representative for purposes of monitoring and oversight of this MOU is:
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The designated MU representative for purposes of monitoring and oversight of this MOU is:
Dean of the School of Human Performance
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- 15) Both Parties affirm that they will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) for sharing student information.

For the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges doing business as Wayne State College:

Signed: _____
Dr. Marysz P. Rames, President Wayne State College

Date

Signed: _____
Dr. Paul Turman, Chancellor of the Nebraska State Colleges

Date

For Midland University:

Signed: _____

Date _____

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Date _____

Signed: _____

Date _____