



BRIERCREST

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY — COLLEGE — SEMINARY

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

Briercrest College and Seminary

and

Minot State University

Henceforth in this document Briercrest College and Seminary will be identified as the “College” and Minot State University will be identified simply as the “University.”

Re: Terms of Reference for the development of a concurrent program of studies that will lead to degrees being awarded (separately) by both Briercrest College and Seminary and Minot State University.

Preamble:

In recognition of the mutual interests that may be served – as well as the goals that may be achieved - Briercrest College and Seminary and Minot State University are agreed upon the following *Terms of Reference* as a basis for proceeding with the development of a program of study that will lead to these degrees being awarded by each of the two partnering institutions. The purpose of the agreement is to establish a framework for creating a program of study that will lead to the degrees identified below.

Degrees to be awarded:

Briercrest College and Seminary

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Minot State University

Bachelor of Science in Education (B.S.Ed.)
(Elementary Education, Music, History)

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) (Addiction Studies,
Corporate Fitness and Wellness Management,
Communication Disorders)

Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.)

Terms of Reference:

Admission and transfer

1. The distinctive admission policies and procedures that pertain to the College and the University will be honoured; each institution's policies and procedures will apply (separately) to students who seek admission to each of the respective institutions in the partnership.
2. In keeping with the above, students applying to the College and the University will require separate acceptance from both of the partnering institutions.
3. Students admitted to the University will be required to meet the adopted admission standards to those applicable professional programs.
4. The University will work on the behalf of students with transfer credit from institutions other than the College. Every reasonable effort will be made to integrate such credits into the degree programs, while recognizing that transfer credit policies and procedures at the University and College are often dissimilar.

Structure

5. The intent of both parties is to create a "3 + 2" program – three years at the College, followed by 2 years at the University.
6. Notwithstanding the "3 + 2" structure, some University courses may be programmed into the 3 College years, and some College courses may be programmed in the 2 University years.
7. Of the 2 University years it is understood that at least one will need to be fully "on-campus" at Minot State University, and that, for students pursuing a B.S.Ed. from the university, an additional full semester in the second year will be devoted to a 4-month Student-Teaching program.
8. The College and the University will encourage students to continue within the 3 + 2 structure of this concurrent-degree program. Students who transfer between the institutions beyond the one instance after the third College year will be advised of the possible consequences (i.e. new catalog year, additional credit requirements, etc.).

Marketing

9. This agreement shall be recognized by both parties as a "partnership" program (between the University and the College); however, it shall not be identified as a "joint-degree" program.
10. The program shall be described as a "concurrent degrees program" inasmuch as two distinct degrees are being offered by two distinct institutions of higher education. The full description might, therefore, include the phrase: ".....a partnership, concurrent degrees program sponsored by Briercrest College and Seminary and Minot State University."
11. The College and the University will use the official logo of the (other) partner institution in program brochures and other literature related to the concurrent degrees program.

Costs

12. Students will pay tuition to each of the partner institutions based on the academic identity of the courses taken: tuition for College courses will be remitted to the College, and the University will receive tuition for its courses.
13. It is understood that for the most part the costs associated with each of the degree programs (B.A. and B.S.ED./B.S./B.S.W.) are normal to their home institution and would be covered by the tuition payments.
14. Additional fees associated with professional program requirements (i.e. background checks, testing, professional liability insurance) will be borne by the students.

Monitoring and Review

15. The office of the Dean at the College and the office of the Vice President for Academic affairs at the University will be responsible for coordination related to the partnership program and the flow of communications within their own institution.
16. Degree programs will be filed with this document as appendices by May 15, 2019. Degree programs not filed by the deadline will be eliminated from this agreement.
17. Faculty members will work with their colleagues at the partner (other) institution to develop, update, and maintain the degree programs on a yearly basis. The office of the Vice President for Academic affairs at the University and the office of the Dean at the College will facilitate such work as necessary. The University will notify the College of upcoming degree

program changes before implementation so that degree programs (appendices) can be updated and shared with students.

18. This agreement may be terminated by either party provided written notice is given to the partner (other) institution six months prior to intended termination date.
19. This partnership program shall be reviewed again after 5 years, in 2024.

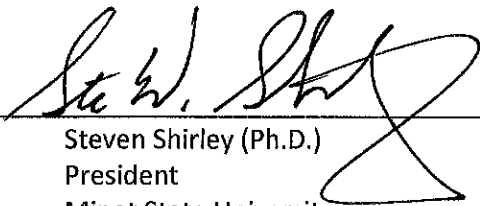
Signatures



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Date



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Date