

Articulation Agreement
Between
Southwestern Christian University
Bethany, Oklahoma
and

IPHC Heartland Conference School of Ministry

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a collaboration between Heartland Conference and the University to facilitate the transfer of college credit toward an undergraduate degree by students participating in the School of Ministry training program. This agreement specifies the credits authorized as transfer credits upon the completion two year School of Ministry program. The following general principles guide the operation of this agreement:

II. ADMISSIONS

For admission, a complete SCU application package must be submitted by students who meet 2 of the following criteria:

- An ACT composite score of at least 19 or SAT of at least 900 (CR + M)
- Unweighted high school GPA of at least 2.5
- High school class rank in the upper half

Acceptance for admission is at the sole discretion of the university, in accordance with its admission policies.

III. ACCEPTANCE OF CREDITS

Transfer credit will be accepted by SCU from regionally accredited colleges and colleges accredited by the Association of Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) and Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS). Southwestern Christian University also accepts credits from international institutions that are state chartered or recognized by their respective Ministry of Education/Higher Education or covered by the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) through the Bologna Process. The Office of the Registrar validates equivalencies using the guidelines of the Oklahoma Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (OACRAO) and World Education Services (WES) and in consultation with department chairs who administer the courses. Courses counted as requirements of the major core must carry a grade of "C" or better to count toward the degree. All other transfer credit hours must meet SCU grade requirements equal to non-transfer students at SCU in order to transfer and count toward the degree. Limited credit from nationally accredited or non-accredited institutions of higher education may be applied to the degree requirements on a course-by-course basis after careful review of applicability to degree program. All courses accepted from nationally accredited or non-accredited institutions must carry a grade of "C" (2.0) or better. If SCU holds an articulation agreement with a nationally accredited or non-accredited institution, transfer credits and equivalencies will be applied as specified in the agreement. If no specific equivalencies are written in the agreement, a written request for the development of an articulation agreement can be requested from the registrar.

The Registrar's Office validates equivalency using the guidelines of the Oklahoma Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (OACRAO) and World Education Services (WES).

Any transfer Credits will be accepted according to the transfer policies outlined in the SCU Undergraduate Academic Catalog at the time the credits are transferred. The Registrar, in consultation with school deans, approves all transfer credits to satisfy the University degree requirements.

Also see www.swcu.edu/transfer-credit for more information about how transfer credits are evaluated upon admission to SCU.

A. Heartland Conference School of Ministry Courses

Upon the completion of the two year (16 courses) School of Ministry program, the University will transfer 12 credit hours.

B. Credits Applied

The following courses will be applied to University transcript upon the completion of the two year Heartland Conference School of Ministry program.

- BIBL 1403 Old Testament History and Literature
- BIBL 1413 New Testament History and Literature
- HIST 3313 Pentecostal History
- PMIN 3933 Studies in Pastoral Ministry

IV. SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

Students admitted to the university will be given every consideration for financial aid and assistance as outlined in the University catalog. Students participating in this program can also apply for academic and ministry related scholarships. Current scholarship applications can be attained from the SCU web site of the Office of Financial Aid.

V. BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

The University offers the following benefits for students who are admitted and enrolled under this agreement.

- Completion of an accredited bachelor degree in as little as three years.
- Access to federal financial aid and institutional financial
- On-Campus housing options
- Access to VA funding for eligible students
- Participation in an exceptional college experience
- Early registration and advising

VII. Enrollment and Degree Completion

- In order to complete in 3 years, students must be enrolled in 18 credit hours at SCU in fall and spring semesters. Students must take care of financial obligations before pre-enrollment each semester in order to be enrolled.
- Courses taught through the Heartland School of Ministry will be transferred when verification of program completion is received from the conference. A certificate of completion must be received before credit hours will be applied to the student's transcript.

VIII. PROMOTION/OUTREACH

- a. Southwestern Christian University and Heartland Conference agree to publicize this agreement via, but not limited to marketing materials and information sessions.
- b. Promotional materials referring to this agreement must be approved by Southwestern Christian University's marketing department prior to publication.
- c. Execution of this agreement does not confer or transfer accreditation on the Heartland Conference, therefore any reference to such is strictly prohibited.
- d. There is no monetary remuneration associated with this agreement between Heartland Conference and the University

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IX. MONITOR/REVIEW

The University reserves the right to monitor the performance of this agreement and to revise it as necessary.

X. TERMINATION and REVISIONS

The agreement may be terminated by either party for due cause and after adequate notice to the other. Termination of the agreement will not affect students currently enrolled at the University. Revisions made to this agreement will be implemented upon signature. Students currently enrolled in the program may be affected by the changes in the agreement. If so, students will be notified in writing by the SCU Vice President of Academic Affairs or designee.

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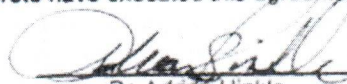
Commencement/Expiration Date: This instrument is executed as of the date of the last signature and is effective through June 30, 2025 at which time it will be reviewed for possible continuance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the last written date below



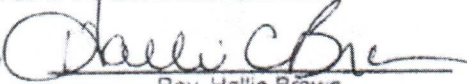
President Tom Murray
8/19/19

Date



Dr. Adrian Hinkle
8/19/19

Date



Rev. Hallie Brown
8/28/19

Date