

NEW RENEWAL
EXPIRATION DATE: SEPTEMBER 2027

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE
Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Associate of Applied Science Degree

And

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY INC.
Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) Bridge Program

This agreement applies to students completing an associate's degree and entering Concordia University Inc. to complete a Bachelor's degree.

The term Concordia Inc. will be used to refer to Concordia University Wisconsin and Ann Arbor.

PURPOSE

Students who successfully complete the program-specific degree of an Associate of Applied Science Degree Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) at Western Technical College and who meet admission requirements at Concordia University (CU INC.) can earn a Bachelor's Degree for the Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) Bridge Program.

In particular, this agreement applies to applicants who:

1. Are a licensed physical therapist assistant working at least 80 hours per month as a PTA
2. Have a 3.0 cumulative GPA in PTA education
3. Have a C or above of a 4-credit Anatomy & Physiology I
4. Have 1 letter of recommendation from a current employer
5. Have a resume including proof of current license to practice
6. Essay

PROVISIONS

The following provisions specify the standard procedures and terms of this transfer agreement.

Because these transfer agreement provisions are used in transfer agreements with several Tech/Community Colleges, the term "Tech/Community College" will be used to refer to the specific college named at the beginning of this transfer agreement.

1. An active agreement begins at the commencement of classes. The agreement must be actively reviewed by the program faculty of both colleges and renewed at least every two years to continue the agreement. Reasonable accommodations will be made for students if either program must be changed, but additional courses may be required of students if the program changes. Students must be informed of this possibility "upfront."
2. This agreement does not guarantee a student's acceptance into the Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) Bridge program or the Doctor of Physical Therapy Bridge Program.

3. Both parties agree to provide at least one hundred eighty (180) days advance written notification of their intent to cancel this agreement. Students who apply to CU INC. prior to the cancellation date will be permitted to transfer credits under the agreement terms. Both parties further agree that failure to maintain regional accreditation required by the specific academic program(s) referenced in this agreement will be grounds for exclusion of that program from the agreement.
4. Each institution is responsible for notifying the other of any changes in the program or curriculum.
5. Both parties are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.
6. The Parties will abide by confidentiality requirements outlined in the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (20 USC § 1232g ("FERPA")) and other applicable laws.
7. The Tech/Community College will consent to the promotion of this transfer agreement by CU INC. personnel in the following events. Please select **three** or more options:
 - Classroom visits (virtual or otherwise).
 - Transfer fairs and/or job fairs (virtual or otherwise).
 - Share information via student portal, digital board, or newsletters.
 - List of current students and their contact information in the BSRS cluster.
 - Graduation list of all students for future spring and fall semesters.
 - Contact information for professors and advisors of the BSRS cluster.
 - Contact information for on-campus student organizations and clubs.
 - Adding it to Transfer Library for academic advisor access. Student access is available.
 - Other: The agreement will be listed on the PTA Program's page on the college's website.

Concordia University's Outreach Coordinator will connect with an appointed staff to obtain the information about the events that you have selected above.

At CU INC.:

Person(s), title(s), phone number(s), and email address (es) designated to provide events information to CU INC.'s Outreach Coordinator:

- **Ana Sanchez**, Outreach Coordinator, 262-243-1814, ana.sanchez@cuw.edu.

At WESTERN:

- **Caiflin Locy**, Manager Outreach and Admissions, locyc@westerntc.edu, (608) 789-6022

8. For the instruction of the designated transfer courses, the Tech/Community College will use faculty members who meet state approve requirements and will be designated as "approved faculty" members.
9. The Tech/Community College student must pass each course with a D or better in order for the course to receive transfer credit in the specified program at CU INC. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved in writing by the program director at CU INC. This does not apply to foundational science prerequisite courses.

Institution-specific information

The purpose of this page is to provide information that is specific to each institution and is current

as of the signing of this articulation agreement. Any changes to this information should be promptly communicated to the other institution.

At Western Technical College:

Administrative person(s) or Faculty, title, phone number, and email address directly responsible for the program, including curriculum changes:

- **Dean A. Jobe**, MS, RM(AAM), Associate Dean – Allied Health, Division of Health & Public Safety, jobed@westerntc.edu, (608) 789-4757
- **Shari Berry**, PT, DPT, PTA Program Chair, berrys@westerntc.edu, (608) 785-9598

Public relations/marketing and other people, title, phone number, and email address designated for coordination and signoff of promotional materials:

Julie Lemon, Director of Marketing, Communications, and Legislative Advocacy, lemonj@westerntc.edu, (608) 785-9890

The website address for the institution: <https://www.westerntc.edu/>

At Concordia University:

Administrative person(s) or Faculty, title, phone number, and email address directly responsible for the program, including curriculum changes:

- **Dr. Stacy C Stolzman**, PT, MPT, PhD, Associate Professor & Pediatric Physical Therapist, Chair of Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) stacy.stolzman@cuw.edu, 262-243-2176
- **Dr. Dale Gerke**, PT, ScD, Chair & Professor - Physical Therapy Program, Director – Orthopedic, 262.243.4485

Public relations/marketing and other people, title, phone number, and email address designated for coordination and signoff of promotional materials:

- **Ryan Fesser**, Director-Marketing Strategy & Operations, 262-243-4472, ryan.Lfesser@cuw.edu

Website address for the institution: www.cuw.edu

Guidelines for use of Concordia University's name and/ or logo

As specified in the transfer agreement, CU Inc.'s Director of Marketing Strategy or the director's designee shall approve any narrative and graphic representation containing CU Inc.'s name, logo, or reference to our programs before it is published or distributed in any way.

Contact the CU Inc. director of Marketing Strategy:

- To request the specific format and file size of any logo, CU Inc. materials
- To share communication in the form of brochures, catalogs, letters, emails, posters, etc. where the CU Inc. name and/or logo is mentioned before its intended publication
- For clarity as to the limitations of the transfer agreement and to avoid potential misunderstandings

Please note: CU Inc.'s logo may not appear on the cover of any literature unless approved by CU Inc. Any promotional literature or other media will indicate that the transfer, upon which this transfer agreement is based, is into the specified program at CU Inc.

**WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE: Associate of Applied Science Degree
Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA)
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY INC.: Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) Bridge
Program**

The following is an unofficial evaluation. To be used as a guide to understanding the pathway of this agreement.

NOTE: Many students have more than the minimum credits from Western or another educational institution. CU INC. accepts up to 84 qualifying transfer credits. All students must have 120 credits to graduate with a Bachelor's degree. This plan is subject to change based on the number of qualified transfer credits.

Courses in BSRS Bridge curriculum are offered in an accelerated virtual or online format; typically, students take one to two courses at a time. However, to qualify for federal student aid, students must be enrolled at least half-time (or 6 credits) for Direct Loan Program funds.



Western Program:	Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Associate Degree	CU Inc. Program:	Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) Bridge Program
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The following evaluation is based upon requirements for completion of a bachelor's degree.

	CU Inc. Requirements	Western Completed	Needed
Major Requirements	33 Credits	3 Credits	30 Credits
Core Requirements	31 Credits	16 Credits	15 Credits
Electives	56 Credits	46 Credits	10 Credits
TOTAL	120 Credits	65 Credits	55 Credits

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 33 CREDITS				
Western Course	CU Inc. Course	Course Name	Credits	Western Credits Earned
	RSC 1010	Medical Terminology	1	0
	RSC 1020	Foundations of Rehabilitation Science	3	0
	RSC 2010	Evidence Based Practice and Basic Statistics	3	0
	RSC 3510	Ethical Considerations in Rehabilitation	3	0
	RSC 3020	Advanced Anatomy	4	0
	RSC 3530	Teaching and Learning in Rehabilitation	3	0
	RSC 3540	Culture and Rehabilitation	3	0
	RSC 1031	Clinical Conditions	3	0
	RSC 1032	Clinical Conditions II	3	0
Developmental Psychology 10809188	PSY 2300	Lifespan Development	3	3
----	BIO 1801	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	Already being taken as part of the core
	BIO 1802	Anatomy and Physiology II	4	0
TOTAL CREDITS			33	3

CORE REQUIREMENTS – 31 CREDITS						
Western Course	CU Inc. Course	Course Name	Subject Area / Credits	Credits	Western Credits Earned	
n/a	REL 1000	The Bible	Faith & Life (6)	3	n/a	
n/a	REL 1010	Christian Faith		3	n/a	
Oral/Interpersonal Comm 10801196	COMM 1010	Speech Comm	Communication & Language (6)	3	3	
English Composition 1 10801136	ENG 2100	College Writing		3	3	
Gen Anatomy & Physiology 10806177	BIO 1801	Human Anat & Phys I	Natural World – Science (4)	4	4	
	MATH 1250	Contemporary Math	Natural World – Mathematics (3)	3	0	
				3	0	
Intro to Diversity Studies 10809172	COMM 2020	Intercultural Communication	Society & Culture (6)	3	3	
Intro to Psychology 10809198	PSY 1010	Intro to Psychology	Human Beings & Being Human – Social World (3)	3	3	
Please see note below*			Human Creativity & Expression (3)	3	0	
				TOTAL CREDITS	31	16

ELECTIVES – 56 REQUIRED CREDITS			
Course #	Course Name	Institution	Credits
Strengths Seminar	10890106	Western	1
PTA Patient Interventions	10524139	Western	4
PTA Professional Issues 1	10524140	Western	2
PTA Applied Kinesiology 1	10524156	Western	4
PTA Therapeutic Exercise	10524142	Western	3
PTA Biophysical Agents	10524143	Western	4
PTA Applied Kinesiology 2	10524157	Western	3
PTA <u>Princ</u> of Neuro Rehab	10524144	Western	4
PTA <u>Princ</u> of Musculo Rehab	10524145	Western	4
PTA Cardio & Integ Mamt	10524146	Western	3
PTA Clinical Practice 1	10524147	Western	2
PTA Clinical Practice 2	10524148	Western	3
PTA Rehab Across the Lifespan	10524149	Western	2
PTA Professional Issues 2	10524150	Western	2
PTA Clinical Practice 3	10524151	Western	5
TOTAL ELECTIVES EARNED AT Western:			46

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
<p>Courses may be taken at Western.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (*) A student is eligible to receive credit for the Human Creativity & Expression 3 credits course if they successfully pass a Music, Arts, or Theater. Please talk to your advisor for additional information Previously earned credits (D or above) from regionally accredited colleges or universities may be transferred in. Courses and program goals from CU Inc. are subject to change. <p>BRIDGE DPT PRE-REQUISITES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be a licensed physical therapist assistant working at least 80 hours per month as a PTA. Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better from your BSRS Bridge program. 24 credits in the following science courses with face-to-face labs with a C or better in each course and a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 across all 6 courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Courses may be taken at Western Physics I & II (4-credit each) Chemistry I & II (4-credit each) Anatomy & Physiology I & II (4-credit each) Written Essay Interview with the PT department All science courses must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed no greater than 7 years from the opening of the application cycle for the DPT program. Equivalent to CUWs Phys I/II Chem I/II and A&P I/II Submit GRE scores
Updated: 9/20/2024

This signed agreement has been thoroughly reviewed and approved by both institutions.

This agreement is effective for three years from the date of the final signature.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY INC.

Leah Dvorak Date: 10/3/2024

Dr. Leah Dvorak
Vice President for Academics and Chief
Academic Officer

Stacy C Stolzman PhD, MPT Date: 10/1/2024

Dr. Stacy C Stolzman
Chair of Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation
Science (BSRS)

Dale Gerke Date: 10/1/2024
Dr. Dale Gerke PT, ScD, Chair & Professor -
Physical Therapy Program

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Rebecca Hopkins Date: 10/1/24

Dr. Rebecca Hopkins
Vice President - Learning

Dean A. Jobe Date: 10/1/24

Dean A. Jobe
Associate Dean – Allied Health

Shari Berry Date: 10/1/24
Shari Berry, PT, DPT, Program Chair & Faculty
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