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EXPIRATION DATE: Spring 2028

## **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

### **WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) 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., CU Inc., and Concordia University 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 Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) 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 occupational therapist assistant working at least 80 hours per month as an OTA.
2. Have a 3.0 cumulative GPA in OTA education.
3. A grade of B or above in a 4-credit Anatomy & Physiology I course.
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 Master of Occupational 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.
    - ☐ Graduation list of all students for future spring and fall semesters.
  - ☒ Contact information for professors and advisors.
    - ☐ 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 OTA's Program 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](mailto:ana.sanchez@cuw.edu).

#### **At WESTERN:**

- **Caitlin Locy**, Manager Outreach and Admission, [locyc@westerntc.edu](mailto: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](mailto:jobed@westerntc.edu), (608) 789-4757

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

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](mailto:stacy.stolzman@cuw.edu), 262-243-2176
- **Dr. Meghan Watry-Christian**, PhD, OT/L, Occupational Therapy Department Chair, MOT & OTD Program Director Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy [meghan.watry-christian@cuw.edu](mailto:meghan.watry-christian@cuw.edu), 262.243.2044

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](mailto:ryan.lfesser@cuw.edu)

Website address for the institution: [www.cuw.edu](http://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  
Occupational Therapist Assistant (OTA)  
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 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; 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.



**Unofficial Transcript Evaluation**



<b>Western Program:</b>	<b>Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Associate Degree</b>	<b>CU Inc. Program:</b>	<b>Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science (BSRS) Bridge Program</b>
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The following evaluation is based upon requirements for completion of a bachelor's degree.

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

<b>MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 33 CREDITS</b>				
<b>Western Course</b>	<b>CU Inc. Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Western Credits Earned</b>
	RSC 1050	Medical Terminology for the Healthcare Professional	3	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	1	0
	RSC 1032	Clinical Conditions II	1	0
	RSC 3600	Clinical Observation	2	0
<b>Developmental Psychology 809188</b>	<b>PSY 2300</b>	<b>Lifespan Development</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Gen. Anatomy and Physiology 806177</b>	<b>BIO 1801</b>	<b>Anatomy and Physiology I</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>Already being taken as part of the core</b>
	BIO 1802	Anatomy and Physiology II	4	0
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>			<b>33</b>	<b>3</b>

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 801198	COMM 1010	Speech Comm	Communication & Language (6)	3	3
English Composition 1 801136	ENG 2100	College Writing		3	3
Gen Anatomy & Physiology 806177	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 809172	COMM 2020	Intercultural Communication	Society & Culture (6)	3	3
Intro to Psychology 809198	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
514174	OT Performance Skills	Western	4
514175	Psychosocial Practice	Western	3
514176	OT Theory and Practice	Western	3
514179	Community Practice	Western	2
514178	Geriatric Practice	Western	3
514184	OTA Fieldwork I	Western	2
514189	OT Phys Rehab Practice	Western	4
514190	OT Pediatric Practice	Western	4
890106	Strengths Seminar	Western	1
514171	Introduction to Occupational Therapy	Western	3
514172	Medical and Psychosocial Conditions	Western	3
514173	Activity Analysis and Applications	Western	2
514185	OTA Practice and Management	Western	2
514186	OTA Fieldwork IIA	Western	5
514187	OTA Fieldwork IIB	Western	5
TOTAL ELECTIVES EARNED AT Western:			46

SUGGESTED COURSES	
Western Course	Concordia Course
Adv. Anatomy and Physiology 806179	BIO 1802 Anatomy and Physiology II
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
Courses may be taken at Western	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(*) A student is eligible to receive credit for the Human Creativity &amp; Expression 3 credits course if they successfully pass a Music, Arts, or Theater. Please talk to your advisor for additional information</li> <li>Previously earned credits (D or above) from regionally accredited colleges or universities may be transferred in.</li> <li>Courses and program goals from CU Inc. are subject to change.</li> </ul>	
BRIDGE MOT PRE-REQUISITES:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be a licensed occupational therapist assistant working at least 80 hours per month as a OTA</li> <li>Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better from your BSRS Bridge program</li> <li>A grade of B or better in 2 of the 3 Anatomy &amp; Physiology (A&amp;P I, A&amp;P II, and Advanced Anatomy) courses with face-to-face labs (4-credits each)</li> <li>Written Essay</li> <li>Interview with the OT department</li> <li>Evidence Based Practice and Basic Statistics (RSC 2010) at CUW is required, and a B or better is preferred.</li> <li>Cumulative GPA, from ALL attended institutions, of 3.0 or higher</li> </ul>	
Updated: 02/17/2025	

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 4/8/2025  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Stacy C Stolzman  
Chair of Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation  
Science (BSRS)

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Meghan Watry-Christian  
Chair, MOT & OTD Program Director

**WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

Rebecca Hopkins 3/28/25  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Rebecca Hopkins  
Vice President - Learning

Dean A. Jobe  
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 3/31/2025  
Dean A. Jobe  
Associate Dean – Allied Health