



COURSE EQUIVALENCY TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY- ST. PAUL AND NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

This Agreement is entered into between **Northwestern Health Sciences University** (hereinafter NWHSU), and **Concordia University – St. Paul** (hereinafter CSP). This Agreement and any amendments and supplements, shall be interpreted pursuant to the laws of the State of Minnesota.

NWHSU has established a **Doctor of Chiropractic program**, and CSP has established a **Master of Science (Exercise Science)** program, and will facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related program to another. It is mutually agreed:

General Objectives of the Agreement:

- A. The purpose of this Agreement is to foster a spirit of cooperation between these two educational institutions.
- B. It is agreed and understood that each institution has the right and responsibility to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards.
- C. At the request of either institution a meeting or conference will be held to resolve any problems, monitor the progress, and develop any improvements in this preferred admissions program.
- D. Neither institution will discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, physical or mental disability, ancestry, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, status as a U.S. military veteran per federal guidelines 41 C.F.R. 60-300.5(a) and 41 C.F.R. 60-741.5(a.), parental status, and pregnancy in the selection and participation of students. With respect to a disability, a qualified student with a disability is an individual who (with or without reasonable accommodations-academic adjustments) meets the legitimate standards and criteria that are rationally related to the stated goals or purposes of each institution's educational program.
- E. Under the terms of this Agreement, neither institution is obligated to make any payments of any kind to the other institution.
- F. This Agreement will, in no way, be interpreted as creating an agency or employment relationship between the institutions, or as giving rise to a joint venture or partnership between the institutions.

- G. This Agreement is intended to solely benefit the institutions, and is not intended to create rights in any third party. Students participating in the program, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, will not be considered third party beneficiaries of the Agreement.
- H. Concordia University- St. Paul and Northwestern Health Sciences University both agree to encourage qualified students to participate in the course equivalency transfer program through advisement and dissemination of information. Both Institutions agree to develop an annual communication calendar and promote the preferred admissions program in their recruitment activities and literature and to refer prospective students, when appropriate, to the other's admission office.

Admission and Graduation Requirements

- A. CSP institution's admission and program admission requirements apply to students who transfer under this agreement.
- B. Students must fulfill the graduation requirements at each institutions in order to be eligible for each respective degree program. Students may earn each degree separately but are not required to earn both degrees as part of this agreement.
- C. Students must complete the NWHSU program through the trimester level of T5 and meet the CSP institution's admission requirements for the agreement to be accepted.

Transfer of Credits

- A. The CSP institution will accept **up to 15** credits from the NWHSU program. A total of at least **18 credits** remain to complete the CSP program.
- B. Courses will transfer as described in the attached Program Articulation Table.

Implementation and Review

- A. The Chief Academic Officers or designees of the parties to this agreement will implement the terms of this agreement, including identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, assuring compliance, procedure and guidelines, and conducting a periodic review of this agreement.
- B. This Articulation Agreement originated on **1 December 2021** and shall remain in effect until the end date of **1 December, 2026**, unless terminated or amended by either party with 30 days prior written notice. This agreement was renewed in December, 2018 and again in May 2019.
- C. The college and university shall work with students to resolve the transfer of courses should changes to either program occur while the agreement is in effect.
- D. This Articulation Agreement will be reviewed by both parties yearly beginning **December, 2022**.

- E. When a student notifies the CSP institution of their intent to follow this agreement, the CSP institution will apply course waivers and substitutions.

PROGRAM ARTICULATION TABLE - A		
	University (sending)	University (receiving)
Institution	Northwestern Health Sciences University	Concordia University – St. Paul
Program name	Doctor of Chiropractic	Exercise Science
Award Type (e.g., AS)	DC	MS
Credit Amount	Sending 33.38	Receiving 15 credits
Describe program admission requirements	NA	Bachelor's degree

PROGRAM ARTICULATION TABLE - B		
	University (sending)	University (receiving)
Institution	Concordia University – St. Paul	Northwestern Health Sciences University
Program name	Exercise Science	Doctor of Chiropractic
Award Type (e.g., AS)	MS	DC
Credit Amount	Sending 6 credits	Receiving 1.5 credits
Describe program admission requirements	Bachelor's degree	NA



TABLE C - Major, Emphasis, Restricted and Unrestricted Electives or Other

NWHSU (sending)		CSP (receiving)		
course prefix, number and name	Credits	course prefix, number and name	Credits	Equiv Sub Wav
Ethics and Professionalism (ID: PAP-7607) <i>2 credits</i> Legal Aspects of Chiropractic Health Care (ID: PAP-8908) <i>2 credits</i> Managing Finances (ID: PAP-6101) <i>1 credits</i>	5	KHS570 Ethics and Policy in Sport and Exercise Science	3	Equiv
Either: Clinical Nutrition I (ID: HAS-7501) <i>2 credits</i> AND Clinical Nutrition II (ID: HAS-7602) <i>2 credits</i> OR Macronutrients and Micronutrients (ID: NUTR-5001) <i>4 credits</i>	4	KHS605 Nutrition and Metabolism	3	Equiv
Neuromusculoskeletal System III: Extremity disorders (ID: DCS-7413) <i>3.63 credits</i> Methods III: Cervical and Thoracic Manual Therapies (ID: CHS-6303) <i>3.25 credits</i> Methods IV: Lumbopelvic Manual Therapies (ID: CHS-7404) <i>3.25 credits</i> Neuromusculoskeletal System I: Principles and Overview (ID: DCS-6311) <i>3 credits</i>	13.13	KHS585 Biomechanics in Exercise Science	3	Equiv
Physiological Therapeutics III: Exercise and Rehabilitation (ID: CHS-8703) <i>1.5 credits</i> Mental Health I (ID: HAS-8701) <i>2 credits</i> Mental Health II (ID: HAS-8802) <i>1 credits</i>	4.5	KHS590 Psychology of Sport and Exercise	3	Equiv
Physiological Therapeutics II: Soft Tissue Techniques (ID: CHS-7602) <i>2 credits</i> Children's Health (ID: HAS-8813) <i>2 credits</i> Neurodiagnosis (ID: DCS-7503) <i>2.75 credits</i>	6.75	KHS580 Mechanisms of Skilled Neuromuscular Behavior	3	Equiv
Major, Emphasis, Unrestricted Electives Total	33.38	Total College Credits Applied	15	

Special Notes, if any: The students from the Sending program must gain a letter grade of a B or higher in each of the listed classes in order for the class to be considered equivalent. For example, KHS570 requires students to complete Ethics and Professionalism, Legal Aspects of Chiropractic Health Care, and Managing Finances, each course with a B grade or higher. E.g. If a student earns a B grade in Ethics and Professionalism, an A grade in Legal Aspects of Chiropractic Health Care, and a C grade in Managing Finances, the requirement for KHS570 will **not** be met since all courses require the B grade or higher.



TABLE D - CSP (sending) to NWHSU (receiving)

CSP (sending)		NWHSU (receiving)		
course prefix, number and name	Credits	course prefix, number and name	Credits	Equiv Sub Wav
KHS595 Clinical Exercise Assessment	3	DCEXX Doctor of Chiropractic Elective	0.75	Equiv
KHS615 Exercise Prescription	3	DCEXX Doctor of Chiropractic Elective	0.75	Equiv
Total	6	Total	1.5	

TABLE E - Summary University (remaining) Requirements

CSP (remaining)	Credits
KHS513 Strength and Conditioning	3
KHS610 Research Methods	3
KHS600 Exercise Physiology	3
KHS620 Master's Capstone	3
KHS595 Clinical Exercise Assessment	3
KHS615 Exercise Prescription	3
Total Remaining University Credits	18

Special Notes, if any: KHS595 and KHS615 are listed in Table D to document their transfer back to NWHSU. They are also listed in Table E to demonstrate the exact coursework NWHSU students will need to take to earn the MS Exercise Science degree.

Northwestern Health Sciences University	Name	Signature	Date
President and Chief Executive Officer	Dr. Deborah Bushway, Ph.D.		01/19/2022
Concordia University – St. Paul	Name	Signature	Date
Provost	Dr. Eric LaMott		4/18/2022