



**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Ohio University Southern & Mountwest Community & Technical College
1+3 BSN Nursing Degree Pathway**

WHEREAS there is a current shortage of nurses prepared at the baccalaureate level, and

WHEREAS Mountwest Community & Technical College (MCTC) and Ohio University Southern (OUS) have an established partnership with many 2 + 2 degree pathways, and

WHEREAS MCTC can provide the majority of the required nursing support courses which have already been articulated for Ohio University transfer credit;

THEREFORE OUS and MCTC agree to enter into an agreement to provide students a 1+3 pathway with a summer bridge at OUS for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN).

Purpose

Through the 1+3 Nursing Degree Pathway, MCTC and OUS will cooperate to promote successful undergraduate educational experiences for students who wish to follow a curricular pathway established at MCTC and completed at OUS for the BSN degree.

1. Goals of Partnership Pathway:

- Enable students to complete one year of nursing support courses at MCTC in preparation to transfer to OUS and apply for selection to the competitive BSN program.
- Provide an affordable pathway for a baccalaureate degree.
- Prepare nursing graduates for the region and beyond to help ease the nursing shortage.

2. Recruitment and Admissions


- Students attending MCTC interested in the 1+3 pathway will be advised to take the required nursing support courses during their first year. MCTC will provide students with the pathway of courses. Once identified as a pathway student, Mountwest advisors will notify the nursing office at OUS so that advising processes for the BSN selection can begin during the fall semester.
- Admission to the OUS BSN program is a competitive process and is not guaranteed. Students wishing to be admitted will be required to meet all Ohio University BSN requirements. MCTC students will be provided the specific program requirements by their MCTC advisor upon expressing interest in the 1+3 pathway.
- Recruitment of students will be the responsibility of MCTC.

3. Marketing

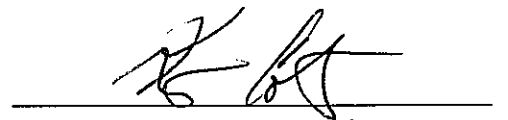
- Promotional plans and materials will be subject to approval by each institution.

This agreement will take effect on August 15, 2016 for implementation for the fall semester.

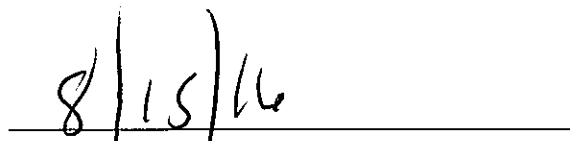
The terms of this agreement may be amended or terminated, as needed, by written agreement between the Dean of OUS and the President of MCTC.



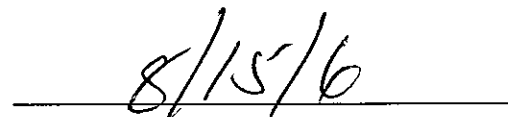
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