



**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Ohio University Southern & Mountwest Community & Technical College
2+2 Bachelor of Social Work Degree Pathway**

WHEREAS there is a current shortage of social workers 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 general education 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 2+2 pathway with a summer bridge at OUS for the Bachelor of Social Work.

Purpose

Through the 2+2 Social Work 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 two years of general education courses at MCTC in preparation to transfer to OUS as a pre-social work major. After completing the requirements for the major, students will apply for the major.
- Provide an affordable pathway for a baccalaureate degree.
- Prepare social work graduates for the region and beyond to help ease the existing shortage.

2. Recruitment and Admissions


- Students attending MCTC interested in the 2+2 pathway will be advised to take the required general education courses during their first two years. MCTC will provide students with the pathway of courses.
- Admission to the OUS Pre-Social Work major program is not a competitive process and is not guaranteed. Students wishing to be admitted will be required to meet all Ohio University BSW requirements. MCTC students will be provided the specific program requirements by their MCTC advisor upon expressing interest in the 2+2 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.



Dr. Nicole Pennington, Dean
Ohio University Southern



Dr. Keith Cotroneo, President
Mountwest Community & Technical
College

8/15/14

Date

8/15/16

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