



Northwestern Health  
Sciences University



**NORTHEASTERN**  
STATE UNIVERSITY

## **3+3 ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY AND NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY**

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Created upon a mutual regard for the integrity of parallel academic programs and in an effort to better serve students preparing to pursue a career in chiropractic, Northeastern State University (NSU) and Northwestern Health Sciences University (NWHSU) enter into an agreement for an articulated program. This agreement will define preparatory course work to be completed at NSU for students intending to matriculate into NWHSU; this agreement will articulate the special terms for admission into NWHSU to earn a Doctor of Chiropractic, and the distinctive criteria for the awarding of the Bachelor of Science degree to participating students from NSU.

### **Objectives of the Agreement:**

1. To attract qualified students to Northeastern State University and to Northwestern Health Sciences University.
2. To facilitate the transition of students from NSU to NWHSU.
3. To provide specific advisement for students of NSU who intend to pursue professional study at NWHSU.
4. To encourage academic and administrative coordination between institutions, and the exchange of evaluative information on the outcomes of the program with the goal of continual improvement.
5. To provide qualified students the opportunity to complete the baccalaureate degree and the doctor of chiropractic degree in one less year than the normal time, i.e. 7 years.

### **II. ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

1. Under the provisions of this program, student will matriculate at NSU for a minimum of 94 semester hours in course work leading toward the Bachelor of Science in Biology – Cellular Emphasis.

<b>General Education Requirements:</b>	<b>50 semester hours</b>
<b>Written Oral Communications</b>	<b>9 semester hours</b>
ENGL 113 Freshman Comp I (3 sh)	
ENGL 1213 Freshman Comp II (3 sh)	
Communications Elective (3 sh)	
<b>Humanities</b>	<b>6 semester hours</b>
Culture & Ideas – choose one course (3 sh)	
Fine Arts Appreciation – choose one course (3 sh)	
<b>Social Sciences</b>	<b>9 semester hours</b>
POLS 113 American Federal Govt (3 sh)	
HIST 1483 or 1493 American History (3 sh)	
PSYC 1113 Introduction to Psychology (3 sh)	
<b>Quantitative Analysis</b>	<b>3 semester hours</b>
Math 1473 or 1513 (3 sh)	
<b>Natural Sciences</b>	<b>8 semester hours</b>
BIOL 1123/1131 (4 sh)	
CHEM 1123/1131 (4 sh)	
<b>Life Skills</b>	<b>6 semester hours</b>
Choose:	
HED 1113 Personal Health (3 sh) <b>OR</b>	
HFS 1653 Basic Nutrition (3 sh)	
Life Skills Elective (3 sh)	
<b>Global Perspectives</b>	<b>6 semester hours</b>
Select one course from TWO different categories for a total of 6 credit hours, or take two consecutive courses in the same language under second language	
<b>University Studies</b>	<b>3 semester hours</b>
UNIV 1002 College Strategies (2 sh)	
UNIV 2091 Capstone (1 sh)	

<b>Major</b>	<b>46 semester hours</b>
BIOL 3114 Genetics	4 semester hours
BIOL 3124 Cell Biology	4 semester hours
BIOL 3524 Ecology	4 semester hours
BIOL 3003 Plant Biology	3 semester hours
BIOL 3013 Animal Biology	3 semester hours
BIOL 4621 Senior Seminar	1 semester hour
CHEM 1223/1231 General Chemistry II & Lab	3/1 semester hours
CHEM 3123/3132 Organic Chemistry I & Lab	3/2 semester hours
CHEM 3223/3232 Organic Chemistry II & Lab	3/2 semester hours
PHYS 1115 General Physics I	5 semester hours
PHYS 1215 General Physics II	5 semester hour

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**Transfer Credits**

**28 semester hours**

**Electives taken at NWHHSU in the Basic Sciences**

**Total Degree Requirements:**

**124 semester hours**

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2. Students are admitted to NWHHSU only as first year doctorate of chiropractic students. Upon completion of the first year of studies at NWHHSU a maximum of 30 NWHHSU credits may be transferred toward completion of the B.S. in Biology degree at NSU. An official transcript must be sent from NWHHSU to the Registrar of NSU, and the student must request application materials for graduation. and will receive appropriate consideration in the admission process for having completed the NSU Pre-Chiropractic Program, but will not receive the assurance of a seat reserved for students earning a 3.250 or higher GPA.
3. While enrolled at NSU, students will complete all required course work as outlined above and described in the NSU catalog.
4. The acceptance of transfer credits or testing toward completion of degree requirements shall be governed by current policies of NSU. However, a minimum of 30 total semester hours must be taken at NSU before transferring to NWHHSU.
5. Northwestern Health Sciences University shall accept, for the entrance date of their choice, all students who successfully complete the Pre-Chiropractic Program with a cumulative GPA of 3.250 or higher and meet all other criteria for admission.
6. Students who earn less than a 3.250 GPA, but at least at 2.500 GPA, will be eligible for admission to NWHHSU,
7. Students will make application to NWHHSU one year in advance of their desired entrance date and will complete all required application procedures thereafter in a timely manner, including submission of recommendation and a satisfactory interview.
8. Students enrolled in the "3+3" program who successfully complete all course work in the first two 15 weeks trimesters at Northwestern Health Sciences University with C's or better will be granted the Bachelor of Science from NSU, provided they have met all other graduation requirements.
9. Students shall pay the appropriate tuition and fees to each institution for all course work taken at that institution. During their first year of study at NWHHSU, students shall not be registered for courses at NSU. Upon completion of the first year of study at NWHHSU, students shall be responsible for any fees regularly charged by NSU for and awarding the baccalaureate degree.

**III. MUTUAL PROMOTION OF THE PROGRAM**

Northeastern State University and Northwestern Health Sciences University both agree to encourage qualified students to participate in this joint degree program through advisement and dissemination of information. The appropriate advisor at NSU will make every effort to maintain a list of students actively pursuing the program with the intent to enroll at NWHSU and will periodically inform the Admissions Office at NWHSU of the current list. Care will be taken to make students aware that some state boards of chiropractic require completed baccalaureate degrees PRIOR TO CHIROPRACTIC STUDY, and to advise students planning to practice in those states accordingly.

Both institutions agree to promote the "3+3" program in their recruitment activities and literature and to refer prospective students, when appropriate, to the other's admission office.

**IV. STUDENT ADVISEMENT**

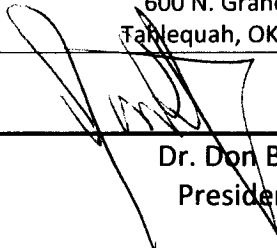
An appropriate faculty member at NSU shall be assigned and responsible to advise students regarding their academic preparation for admission to Northwestern Health Sciences University and for their ultimate goal of chiropractic licensure. This advisement shall include attention to special requirements for licensure in some states, such as completion of the baccalaureate degree prior to matriculation in a chiropractic college.

**V. CONTINUATION AND TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT**

This agreement shall be in force until either institution makes a decision in writing to terminate it. It is agreed that if terminated, that both institutions will honor the terms of the agreement until all students already admitted are given the opportunity to complete the program in a timely manner.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto affixed their signatures.

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