

**AGREEMENT FOR A COOPERATIVE DEGREE-CONFERRING
PROGRAM OF STUDY BETWEEN THE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
AND
TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

This Agreement for a Cooperative Degree-Conferring Program of Study (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the _____ day of _____, 20 (the “Effective Date”) by and between THE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY on behalf of its Program in Occupational Therapy (the “University”) and TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY (the “Partner Institution”).

WHEREAS, the Partner Institution desires to participate in a cooperative education program that will enable its students to earn either a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science degree from the Partner Institution and earn a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy from the University in a five year period with the first three years of the program taking place at the Partner Institution and the last two years at the University; or will enable its students to earn either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from the Partner Institution and earn a Doctor of Occupational Therapy from the University in a six year period with the first three years of the program taking place at the Partner Institution and the last three years at the University (collectively, the “Cooperative Program”); and

WHEREAS, the University desires to offer Partner Institution’s students who wish to prepare for a professional career in Occupational Therapy the opportunity to combine a strong, liberal arts background with professional graduate education and an opportunity to apply for admission to The Washington University’s Program in Occupational Therapy (the “Graduate Program”).

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

I. THE PARTNER INSTITUTION'S RESPONSIBILITIES

A. The Partner Institution will offer a three-year Pre-Occupational Therapy Academic Program (“Pre-OT Program”) in which the curriculum shall include the courses that are prerequisites for admission to the Graduate Program.

B. By December 1 of each year, the Partner Institution will submit to the Program Coordinator for the University’s Graduate Program, a list of its students who will be submitting applications for admission to the Graduate Program for the following fall. These students must have completed at least 45 semester equivalent hours at the Partner Institution in the Pre-OT Program or its equivalent and satisfactorily met the requirements of the Partner Institution at the time of application. Additionally, students must meet the admission criteria to the Graduate Program for the year of admission as stated on The Washington University’s Program in Occupational Therapy website.

C. As a part of each student's application to the University, the Partner Institution will submit a statement to the University’s Program Coordinator that each student shall have fulfilled the Partner Institution's requirements for the awarding of the baccalaureate degree upon satisfactory completion of the first year requirements of the Graduate Program.

D. The Partner Institution will award a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree to any of its students who have satisfactorily completed the first year requirements of the Graduate Program.

II. WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

A. For Partner Institution's applicants to the Graduate Program:

1. The University will review each student's application to the Graduate Program and will, in its sole discretion, admit those students to the Graduate Program that it believes meet the requirements for admission to the University and the Graduate Program.

B. For Partner Institution's students who are admitted to the Graduate Program:

1. Upon student request to the Registrar of the Washington University School of Medicine, the University will furnish to the Partner Institution's Program Coordinator a transcript of courses and the grades of students participating in the Cooperative Program at the end of each semester.

2. The University will award a professional degree in Occupational Therapy to students who have satisfactorily completed the curriculum for the MSOT or the OTD at The Washington University according to graduation requirements in the Graduate Program's Student Handbook so long as the University continues to offer the professional Master of Science degree in Occupational Therapy and Doctor of Occupational Therapy degree.

3. If the University does not continue to offer either the professional Master of Science degree in Occupational Therapy or Doctor of Occupational Therapy degree, the University will give advance notice to the Partner Institution as well as the students participating in the 3+2 or 3+3 programs.

III. JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Both parties hereto agree that students participating in the Cooperative Program who wish to apply for financial assistance should apply to the Partner Institution for the years of the Cooperative Program at the Partner Institution and to The Washington University School of Medicine for the years taking place at the University. Students participating in the Cooperative Program will be evaluated for financial assistance on the same basis as other students applying for financial assistance. Students participating in the Cooperative Program will be charged current rates for tuition, housing, service fees, etc.

B. Each party hereto agrees that it will designate an individual to oversee the Cooperative Program ("Program Coordinator") and that the parties will communicate the identity of their respective Program Coordinators to each other in writing. The Program Coordinators should communicate regularly with each other and shall be responsible for collecting and responding to all applications for admission, student qualification information, and such other administrative details necessary to carry out the Cooperative Program.

IV. TERMS AND TERMINATION

A. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall remain in force until such time as the Agreement may be terminated in accordance with the provisions set forth in this Agreement.

B. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by either party by giving written notice to the other party by certified mail 6 months prior to the date on which termination is desired. Should notice of termination be given under this section IV(B), students then enrolled or admitted and having declared their intention to complete the Cooperative Program in writing to the University's Program Coordinator prior to the Partner Institution's receipt of the termination notice shall be allowed to complete the Cooperative Program in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, so long as the University continues to offer the professional Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and Doctor of Occupational Therapy degrees. Except as provided for herein, in the event of termination of this Agreement, no new students will be admitted to the University expecting to benefit from the terms of this Agreement.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

A. The parties agree that they each have the right and responsibility to make changes to their curricula and admission standards to maintain their academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes, if any, will be immediately communicated to the Program Coordinator as they occur; *provided, however*, that with respect to changes in the University's admission and/or prerequisite requirements for the Graduate Program, the University will use its best efforts to notify the Partner Institution of a change in its admission and/or prerequisite requirements at least 6 months before the change goes into effect. All students applying to the Graduate Program on or after the effective date of the change will be required to meet the new admission and/or prerequisite requirements.

B. Each party to this Agreement warrants to the other that it is accredited by the appropriate higher education accrediting authority. If a party ceases to maintain its accreditation at any time during the term of this Agreement, such party shall immediately notify the other party of this fact. Loss of accreditation shall result in immediate and automatic termination of this Agreement without further notice. In such event, students previously accepted into the Graduate Program shall be allowed to complete the Cooperative Program in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, so long as the University continues to offer the professional Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and Doctor of Occupational Therapy degrees.

C. All advertising materials, if any, promoting the Cooperative Program will be mutually agreed upon by representatives from both parties prior to publication.

D. All notices required or contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered to the recipient's address set forth below, or to such other address for either party as that party may designate by written notice. Any notice to be given or served hereunder, by either party shall be deemed given and received hereunder when (i) delivered personally; or (ii) three (3) days after being mailed by certified U.S. mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested; or (iii) one day following deposit with a courier or express service guaranteeing overnight delivery.

To: Washington University School of Medicine Program in Occupational Therapy
660 Euclid Avenue
Campus Box 8505
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

E. Nothing in this Agreement or any actions of the parties to this Agreement shall be construed by the parties or any third person to create the relationship of a partnership, agency, or joint venture between or among such parties. Neither party shall have the authority to make any statements, representations, or commitments of any kind or to take any action binding on the other except as provided for herein or authorized in writing by the party to be bound.

F. The University and the Partner Institution are the only parties to this Agreement and are the only parties entitled to enforce its terms. Nothing in this Agreement gives, is intended to give, or shall be construed to give or provide, any benefit or right, whether directly, indirectly, or otherwise, to third persons unless such third persons are individually identified by name herein and expressly described as intended beneficiaries of the terms of this Agreement. Specifically, students participating in the Cooperative Program, pursuant to this Agreement, will not be considered third party beneficiaries of the Agreement.

G. In performing this Agreement, the parties shall not discriminate in access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, veteran status, disability or genetic information.

H. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by a written instrument signed by both parties.

I. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Missouri. The University and the Partner Institution agree that any dispute between University and Partner Institution shall be resolved in the Circuit Court of the County of St. Louis, Missouri, and the parties stipulate to the jurisdiction and venue of such court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be signed by their duly authorized representatives as of the Effective Date.

UNIVERSITY:

The Washington University, on behalf of its
Program in Occupational Therapy

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

PARTNER INSTITUTION:

Truman State University

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Reverse Transfer Equivalencies
Washington University → Truman State University

M01 5023	Theory & Foundations for Occupational Therapy Practice	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5120	Contemporary Issues in OT Practice I	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5225	Fundamentals of Health Care & Professional Practice	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5316	Toolbox to Support Professional Practice	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5452	Fundamentals of Evidence-Based Practice	BIOL 030 or ES 030	Upper-level BIOL elective or upper-level ES elective
M01 5630	Fundamentals of Professional Communication	COMM 030	Upper-level COMM elective
M01 5125	Contemporary Issues in OT Practice II	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5782	Neuroscience Principles of Performance I	BIOL 030 or ES 030	Upper-level BIOL elective or upper-level ES elective
M01 5762	Body Structures Supporting Daily Function	BIOL 030 or ES 030	Upper-level BIOL elective or upper-level ES elective
M01 5770	Fundamentals of Assessment	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5163	Environmental Factors Facilitating Performance & Participation I	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5610	Fieldwork I	ES 350	Exercise Science Practicum II
M01 601	Applied Clinical Research I	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 605	Applied Clinical Practice I	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5130	Contemporary Issues in OT Practice III	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5783	Neuroscience Principles of Performance II	BIOL 030 or ES 030	Upper-level BIOL elective or upper-level ES elective
M01 5763	Body Structures Supporting Daily Function II	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5771	Fundamentals of Assessment II	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 5164	Environmental Factors Facilitating Performance & Participation II	HLTH 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 602	Applied Clinical Research II	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective
M01 606	Applied Clinical Practice II	ES 030	Upper-level HLTH elective