# Articulation Agreement Between Oakland University and Kirtland Community College For a Bachelor's of Science in Applied Health Science

Effective October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2025

Oakland University, a Michigan constitutional body corporate and institution of higher education located in Rochester, Michigan ("OU") and Kirtland Community College, a Michigan institution of higher education located in Grayling, Michigan ("KCC") enter into this Articulation Agreement ("Agreement") as of the date of the last signature below.

WHEREAS, OU and KCC recognize the benefits of cooperation regarding their respective educational programs; and

WHEREAS, OU and KCC desire to create an agreement to create a program (the "Program") that will allow students to obtain a Bachelors of Science in Applied Health Science degree from OU upon successful completion of coursework in any health related associate degree at KCC in accordance with the curriculum guide attached as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by reference, and OU's Bachelor of Science in Applied Health Science (AHS) program.

THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Program Requirements.</u> KCC students interested in participating in the Program must:
  - a. Complete the required coursework at KCC, as specified in the curriculum guide attached as **Exhibit 1**, and
  - b. Apply to, and be admitted by, OU. In addition, where applicable, students must apply to, and be admitted by OU, into the AHS major. Applicants from KCC will be considered for admission to OU based upon OU's criteria for undergraduate admission as such criteria is revised from time-to-time; completion of coursework at KCC, including without limitation completion of the coursework specified in the curriculum guide attached as Exhibit 1, does not guarantee admission to OU or to any particular major.
- 2. OU's AHS Requirements. Students enrolled in OU's AHS program pursuant to this Agreement must:
  - a. Satisfy all of OU's requirements for progression, retention and graduation for the AHS program as stated in the applicable OU catalogue(s) when the student is admitted to OU; and
  - b. Comply with OU's academic, conduct and other requirements, policies, codes, ordinances and regulations while attending OU.

- 3. <u>Transfer of Credits.</u> OU will accept a transfer of courses identified as approved for transfer in OU's transfer equivalency tool in which a student earned a grade of 2.0 (numerical grading system) or C- (alpha grading system) or better and those credits will be indicated on the student's OU transcript. This grade requirement only applies to the minimum grade required to transfer the credits to OU. Program and major grade requirements may differ from these minimum transfer requirements. If any credits were awarded by an institution other than KCC, then the awarding institution must have been regionally accredited when the credits were awarded. OU will not accept the transfer of credits for a KCC course if the student re-takes the equivalent course at OU. If a student in the Program subsequently transfers out of OU's AHS program, then all of the student's transfer credits will be re-evaluated -- and may be denied -- based upon OU's transfer policies in effect at that time.
- 4. <u>Grade Point Average.</u> A student's grade point average for the AHS degree will be the grade point average earned in courses taken at OU.
- 5. <u>Communication.</u> OU and KCC agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with their common and respective audiences concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. OU and KCC further agree to communicate curriculum changes which may affect the articulated programs at the respective institutions.
- 6. <u>Marketing.</u> Each institution will be responsible for marketing the Program to their respective student and/or faculty populations. Each party may provide a link on its website to the other institution's website.
- 7. <u>Student Information.</u> To the extent permitted by law, OU may provide aggregate, non-personally identifiable, student performance information to annually and upon request to KCC. Notwithstanding the foregoing, both OU and KCC will comply with the Family Rights and Privacy Act and its implementing regulations.
- 8. Term. The term of this Agreement will commence on October 1, 2020 and will expire on September 30, 2025, unless terminated earlier as provided in this Agreement. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time and without cause upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day's prior written notice. In addition, either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time upon ten (10) days' prior notice ("Notice Period") if the other institution breaches this Agreement and fails to cure the breach to the non-breaching institution's reasonable satisfaction within the Notice Period. All students participating in the Program as of the date that this Agreement is terminated will be allowed to complete the Program under the terms of this Agreement but only if those students apply to and are admitted by OU within three (3) years of the date that this Agreement is terminated.
- 9. <u>Accreditation.</u> Both institutions will maintain their respective regional accreditation during the term of this Agreement and each institution will notify the

other immediately if their regional accreditation is revoked, suspended or limited for any reason. If either party's accreditation revoked, suspended or limited, the other party may terminate this Agreement immediately and the parties will, to the extent practicable, cooperate to accommodate students in the Program at the time at the institution that remains properly accredited.

- 10. <u>Oversight.</u> Representatives from each institution will meet regularly to review the Program, the Curriculum Guide and the terms of this Agreement.
- 11. <u>Notices.</u> All notices and other communications provided for hereunder must be in writing and must be mailed by first class, registered or certified mail, postage paid, or delivered personally, by overnight delivery service, by facsimile, or by electronic transmission with confirmation of receipt, addressed as follows:

If to Oakland University:

Office of the Provost
Oakland University
371 Wilson Boulevard, Room 205
Rochester, Michigan 48309

With a copy to:

Office of Legal Affairs
Oakland University
371 Wilson Boulevard, Room 203
Rochester, Michigan 48309

If to Kirtland Community College:

Office of the Registrar 4800 W. 4 Mile Road Grayling, Michigan 49738

Either institution may, by like notice, specify or change an address to which notices and communications must thereafter be sent.

12. <u>Indemnity.</u> To the extent permitted by Michigan law, OU and KCC will defend, indemnify, and hold each other, and the other institution's trustees, officers, employees, students, volunteers, agents, representatives and designees, in both their official and personal capacities, harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, damages, judgments, liabilities, losses and expenses including without limitation property damage, personal or bodily injury to or death of any person, and reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses of litigation, to which one institution may become subject actually or allegedly arising out of or relating to: (a) any failure of the indemnifying institution to observe or performed of the covenants, conditions, agreements or obligations observed or performed

pursuant to this Agreement; and (b) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying institution. This provision will survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

- Miscellaneous. Neither institution may assign this Agreement without the other 13. institution's prior written consent. The invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision of this Agreement will in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other term or provision. A waiver by either institution of any provision or breach of this Agreement will not waive any other provision or breach, nor will the same be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach, either of the same Except for indemnity and hold harmless obligations provision or otherwise. arising out of third party claims, neither institution will be liable to the other for. and the parties hereby release each other from, any liability for special, incidental, punitive and/or consequential damages of any kind, nature or description, including without limitation lost revenues or profits, even if either institution had knowledge of the possibility of such potential loss or damage Neither institution will be liable for any losses or damages of any kind, nature or description caused by fire, water, accident, weather, riot, strike, act of God, acts of terrorism or any other cause beyond that institution's control. The captions or headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and in no way define or limit the scope or intent of any term, clause, provision or paragraph. This Agreement and the recitals contain the entire agreement between the parties, and will be binding upon the parties and their respective successors and assigns. amendment to this Agreement will be effective unless it is in writing and signed by both parties' authorized representatives. This Agreement is for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties, and neither institution intends to create a benefit in favor of any other person, entity or third party including, without limitation, any student, parent, quardian or other third party. h the performance of their respective duties and obligations under this Agreement, the parties are each independent contractors and neither is a partner, joint venturer, employee or servant of the other, and each is responsible only for its own conduct.
- 14. Applicable Law. Michigan law, including without limitation the Michigan Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act, the Michigan Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act and the Michigan Governmental Tort Liability Act ("Act"), all as may be amended from time to time, including the provision that illegal discrimination by either institution may be considered a material breach of this Agreement, will govern the validity, construction and performance of this Agreement. Michigan will be the forum for any legal or equitable proceedings in connection with this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, whether express or implied, no provision of this Agreement waives OU's or KCC's rights under the Act or effectively creates any direct or indirect liability for OU or KCC otherwise prohibited by the Act.

15. <u>Counterparts.</u> This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, all of which taken together will constitute one single Agreement between the parties.

## Oakland University:

# **Kirtland Community College:**

Cheryl Michelle Piskulich, Ph.D. Interim Executive Vice President For Academic Affairs & Provost Dated: October 20, 2020

Thomas Quinn, Ed.D. President

Dated: 10/29/2020

Kevin Ball, Ph.D. Dean, School of Health Sciences Amy Fugate, Ph.D. Vice President of Academic Services

Dated: October 20, 2020

Dated: 10/31/2020

## Exhibit 1

## Bachelor of Science in Applied Health Sciences

Have already completed the course requirements for and earned the Associate of Applied Science degree in one of the following academic areas from an accredited community college or other institution of higher education:

- ADN (Nursing)
- Cardiac Sonography
- LPN toADN
- Medical Assistant
- Surgical Technology
- Students who hold an AAS degree in any other medical or health-related field not listed above may seek permission to enroll from the Applied Health Sciences Program Director.

Submit official transcripts showing AAS degree and all coursework completed with a minimum 2.0 GPA. Concurrent enrollment in a community college AAS program and Oakland University's AHS program is <u>not</u> permitted.

There are two tracks within this major program: <u>Health Care Leadership</u>, and <u>Health Promotion</u>. More details about course requirements can be found in the catalog.

#### TRANSFERRING WITH THE MICHIGAN TRANSFER AGREEMENT (MTA):

When choosing to complete MTA to satisfy General Education, please confirm the best courses to take to fulfill the agreement with your academic adviser at Kirtland or at the Kirtland MTA Approved Courses website. In order to completely satisfy OU's transferable General Education requirements when following this major guide, please reference the Kirtland General Education Transfer Guide and complete the courses that satisfy the following requirements:

- Writing Foundations (take ENG 10403)
- Knowledge Applications (can also be satisfied by completing the Health Care Leadership Track at OU)

### TRANSFERRING WITHOUT MTA:

If you intend to transfer without MTA, you can choose to complete additional coursework to fulfill OU's individual General Education categories instead. When following this major guide, please reference the Kirtland General Education Transfer Guide for the Kirtland courses that satisfy these specific OU General Education categories:

- Writing Foundations (take ENG 10403)
- Formal Reasoning
- Arts
- · Foreign Language and Culture
- Global Perspective
- Literature
- Western Civilization
- Knowledge Applications (can also be satisfied by completing the Health Care Leadership Track at OU)

Transfer up to 84 credits, and then there are only 40 credits left to finish your bachelor degree. Below are the course requirements:

- 1. Five core courses: AHS 3320, 3340, HS 2000, 3000, 4500
  - a. Leadership Track: HRD 3100, 3330, 3230, 3510, 3600
  - b. Health Promotion Track- 20 credits from a specified list found in the <u>catalog.</u> 16 credits must be at the 3000 or 4000 level.

#### Notes:

The Knowledge Applications General Education requirement is automatically completed if pursuing the Leadership Track. When choosing the Health Promotion Track please meet with an academic adviser at OU to determine if it's best to take this requirement at OU or at KCC.

Please speak with a Kirtland Community College academic adviser or financial aid adviser regarding your options for paying for credits beyond the completed associate degree.