# Memorandum of Understanding BETWEEN

# The University of Texas at Tyler AND Panola College Concurrent Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)

#### Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made between The University of Texas at Tyler (University) and Panola College (College) to provide eligible nursing students the opportunity to pursue baccalaureate and associate degrees in nursing concurrently. The degree plan is intended for those pursuing an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) at the College with the intent to continue studies and obtain a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing (BSN) at the University. This agreement builds upon established articulation agreements between the University and the College as part of the Consortium for Advancing to Baccalaureate Nursing Education in Texas (CABNET) that reduces barriers and duplication in nursing education.

## Terms and Conditions of Agreement

- 1. Students admitted to the College's ADN program and planning to pursue the BSN will be offered admission to the University provided they meet admission requirements.
- 2. Students will follow and be subject to the standards, policies, and procedures of the institution that is hosting the course in which the student is enrolled.
- 3. Students who fail a course at the University will be dismissed from the concurrent degree program but may continue in the ADN program if they are eligible to do so.
- **4.** As per the CABNET agreement approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), workforce credit of nursing content will count for a baccalaureate degree in nursing.
- 5. Graduates will take their national licensure exam (NCLEX) under the umbrella of the College.
- 6. Students will be advised by the College and University Financial Aid Offices of the benefits of participating in the Financial Aid Consortium Agreement. If a student elects to participate in the ADN and BSN programs using financial aid provided by the University, the Financial Aid Consortium Agreement will be used to administer and distribute the student's financial aid with appropriate coordination by the College. Otherwise, the student will not participate in the Financial Aid Consortium Agreement between the College and University.

7. Representatives from the nursing departments at each institution will meet annually at a minimum to exchange information and provide updates to the specific curriculum plan for students entering that calendar year.

This agreement will go into effect following approval by SACS-COC, if needed. This agreement shall remain in effect until one or both institutions deem it necessary to amend or terminate it. The desire to amend or terminate the agreement must be submitted in writing to the President of the partnering institution.

## **Institutional Approvals**

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this agreement on the date shown below.

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Name: Dr. Gregory S. Powell_	Name: Dr. Michael Tidwell
Title: President	Title: President
Panola College	The University of Texas at Tyler
Date: 3-4-2020	Date:3/30/2020