



Northwestern  
Michigan  
College

**LIFE UNIVERSITY  
NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE  
ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
(Intended Admission to the Doctor of Chiropractic program)**

**I. TITLE:** Articulated Doctor of Chiropractic Agreement

**II. TYPE OF AGREEMENT:** Pre-requisite program for entrance into the Doctor of Chiropractic program at LIFE UNIVERSITY

**III. PURPOSE:** The purpose of the following articulated agreement is to facilitate the transfer of NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE students to the Doctor of Chiropractic program at LIFE UNIVERSITY.

**IV. LIFE UNIVERSITY PROGRAM INFORMATION**

CONTACT: Admissions: (770) 426-2884 or (800) 543-3202 or admissions@life.edu

**V. COUNCIL ON CHIROPRACTIC EDUCATION ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Below are the present requirements for entrance into the Doctor of Chiropractic program. These requirements are established by the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE), the accrediting agency for chiropractic. They may be changed or modified by the CCE. If they are modified, LIFE UNIVERSITY will notify NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE upon receipt of notification of the changes.

| <u>Specific Course Requirement</u>  | <u>Semester Hours</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| English                             | 6                     |
| Psychology                          | 3                     |
| Social Science/Humanities*          | 15                    |
| Biology with accompanying labs**    | 6                     |
| Chemistry with accompanying labs*** | 12                    |
| Physics with accompanying labs****  | 6                     |

\* The Social Science/Humanities requirement may contain courses from the following categories: Social Sciences: Anthropology, Criminal Justice, Economics, Geography, Government, History, Psychology, Sociology, Political science; Humanities: Art, Classics, Communications, Dance, Drama, English, Film, Fine Arts, Foreign Language, Journalism, Language, Literature, Music, Philosophy, Religion, Speech, Theatre.

\*\* Cell or Human biology, or Anatomy and Physiology is accepted. Botany or plant biology is not accepted.

\*\*\* 3 semester hours of General or Inorganic Chemistry, 6 semester hours of Organic or Biochemistry are required. Also, 6 of the 12 semester hours must have a lab.

\*\*\*\* One Physics class with lab is required. A lab is not required with the second Physics class. Also, one of the following 4 courses may substitute for the second Physics course: Exercise Physiology, Kinesiology, Biomechanics, or any type of Statistics such as Math Statistics, Psychology Statistics, etc.

A single course may count in only one category. For example, one English course may be used to meet the English category or the Social Science/Humanities category requirement but not both. Non-science CLEP courses and non-science Advanced Placement (AP) courses will also be accepted towards fulfilling these requirements. In addition, students will be required to complete a total of 90 semester hours to meet the entrance requirement.

All pre-requisite course work for admission to the chiropractic program must be completed with a grade of 2.0 ("C") or above on a 4.0 scale. In addition, the grade point average of the specific course requirements must average 2.5 or higher and the cumulative grade point average of all college courses must average 2.5 or higher. If the cumulative GPA averages below 2.5 then the average of the best 90 semester hours will be calculated.

## VI. NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE CURRICULUM

### *Specific Education Course Requirements at Northwestern Michigan College -*

| Course Number  | Course Title   | Category                           | Semester Hours Requirement | Quarter Hours Equivalent |
|--|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| ENG 111  | English Composition  | English                            | 4                          | 6                        |
| ENG 112  | English Composition  | English                            | 4                          | 6                        |
| PSY 101  | Introduction to Psychology   | Psychology                         | 3                          | 4.5                      |
| <b>Select 16 semester hours (8 in Humanities and 8 in Social Sciences) of courses from the following categories: (Classes must come from more than 1 department)</b> | <b>Humanities:</b> Art, Literature, Second year Foreign Language, History, Philosophy, Music appreciation/history or humanities;<br><b>Social Sciences:</b> Economics, Geography, Psychology, Political Science, Sociology | Social Sciences /Humanities        | 16                         | 24                       |
| BIO XXX<br>BIO XXX   | Any two Biology courses with labs (Botany or Plant Biology is not allowed)   | Biology w/ Lab                     | 6                          | 9                        |
| CHM 150<br>CHM 150L  | General Chemistry I<br>General Chemistry I Lab   | Inorganic Chemistry                | 4                          | 6                        |
| CHM 151<br>CHM 151L  | General Chemistry II<br>General Chemistry II Lab   | Inorganic Chemistry                | 4                          | 6                        |
| CHM 250<br>CHM 250L  | Organic Chemistry I<br>Organic Chemistry I lab   | Organic Chemistry                  | 5                          | 7.5                      |
| CHM 251<br>CHM 251L  | Organic Chemistry II<br>Organic Chemistry II lab   | Organic Chemistry/<br>Biochemistry | 5                          | 7.5                      |
| PHY 121<br>PHY 121L  | General Physics I<br>General Physics I Lab   | Physics w/ Lab                     | 4                          | 6                        |
| PHY 122<br>PHY 122L  | General Physics II<br>General Physics II Lab   | Physics (no lab required)          | 4                          | 6                        |
| MTH 121 and 122<br>or<br>MTH 140   | College Algebra and Trigonometry, or<br>College Algebra and Trigonometry combined  | Physics Pre-requisite              | 7<br>5                     | 10.5<br>(7.5)            |
| Elective Courses   | Any other courses in the curriculum  | Electives                          | 24 (23)                    | 36 (34.5)                |
| <b>Total Hours</b>   |  |                                    | <b>90</b>                  | <b>135</b>               |

Taking the specified courses above will qualify a student to earn an associate degree from NMC.

Any courses above not completed at Northwestern Michigan College may be completed at Life University prior to admission to the chiropractic program.

## **VII. PROVISIONS**

### **A. ADMISSION**

**NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE:** Current NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE policies apply. NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE retains sole responsibility for establishing the academic and other criteria that students must meet in order to fulfill its own entrance and graduation requirements and in evaluating student applications for admission.

**LIFE UNIVERSITY:** LIFE UNIVERSITY will admit to professional level status towards a chiropractic degree, students who complete the articulated pre-requisite requirements at NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE. LIFE UNIVERSITY retains sole responsibility for establishing the academic and other criteria that students must meet in order to fulfill its own entrance and graduation requirements and in evaluating student applications for admission. Incoming students must meet all entry requirements for the Doctor of Chiropractic program. Acceptance into the chiropractic program does not guarantee successful completion of course requirements, leading to a degree of Doctor of Chiropractic.

LIFE UNIVERSITY will waive the application fee for NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE students applying to the chiropractic or pre-chiropractic program.

### **B. CATALOG IN EFFECT / CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT**

**LIFE UNIVERSITY:** Students who complete the course work under the terms of the catalog in effect during the term of their first registration must graduate within eight years of first admission to LIFE UNIVERSITY.

### **C. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Refer to pages 1-2 of this document. Programs covered by this agreement shall be conducted under the direct supervision of the faculty and staff who provide the undergraduate and professional course work, respectively.

The LIFE UNIVERSITY coordinator shall be the Dean of the College of Chiropractic. The LIFE UNIVERSITY coordinator shall be responsible for those program components that must be executed on the LIFE UNIVERSITY campus and shall communicate all appropriate matters directly with the NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE coordinator.

The NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE coordinator shall be the Director of Academic Affairs. The NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE coordinator shall be responsible for the program components that must be executed on the NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE campus and shall communicate all appropriate matters directly with the LIFE UNIVERSITY coordinator.

### **D. GRADING POLICIES**

**LIFE UNIVERSITY:** Graduation from the doctorate degree program at LIFE UNIVERSITY requires a minimum cumulative "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) in LIFE UNIVERSITY course work.

### **E. COURSE REPEATS / FORGIVENESS POLICY**

**LIFE UNIVERSITY:** The LIFE UNIVERSITY Office of Admissions calculates GPAs for all transfer/entering students using the last grade earned. With regard to withdrawals and incompletes, the transcript information provided by the reporting institution is honored.

## **F. WAIVERS OR SUBSTITUTIONS**

Any waiver or substitution of coursework at NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE must have prior approval by LIFE UNIVERSITY.

## **G. MINIMUM UPPER DIVISION HOURS**

LIFE UNIVERSITY Doctor of Chiropractic admission requirements stipulate no semester hours of upper division coursework.

## **H. UPDATES AND TERMINATION**

**General:** NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE'S performance under this Agreement and any amendments hereto or attachments connected herewith, shall at all times be subject to any and all state laws, state regulations and Board of Trustee Rules which are applicable to the College's operations, commitments and/or activities in furtherance of any terms specified herein.

This agreement is subject to change by the LIFE UNIVERSITY Board of Trustees or the NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE Board of Trustees.

**Update:** This articulated curriculum agreement will be reviewed every year and shall be in effect from the date signed until any party identifies need for revision. The institution initiating the change will notify the other concerning any contemplated curricular changes that would affect the future of this agreement. Revisions will be made in writing and reviewed by the two respective Chief Academic Officers or their designees.

This articulation agreement will be reviewed and updated by NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE and the LIFE UNIVERSITY articulation officers.

**Termination:** Should this agreement be terminated, NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE students in the process of applying to LIFE UNIVERSITY at the time of cancellation will be allowed to complete the application process and complete degrees, subject to the requirement to complete the degree within eight years of the first LIFE UNIVERSITY course enrollment.

This agreement is effective only under the condition that both institutions maintain current accreditation by a regional accrediting association as recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. In the event either institution loses its accreditation, this agreement will immediately terminate.

## **I. OTHER**

Any variation in this program may result in additional required coursework.

## **J. LENGTH OF AGREEMENT**

This articulation agreement shall be in effect from its date of signing until termination by either party upon ninety (90) days notice to the other party in writing. This agreement may be modified or amended by mutual consent by the two participating institution presidents or their specified designees in writing.


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LIFE UNIVERSITY  
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To attend the chiropractic program at LIFE UNIVERSITY**

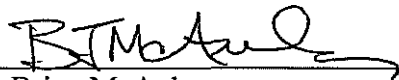
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Articulation Agreement has been executed in duplicate  
this 10th day of February, 2010.


**LIFE UNIVERSITY**

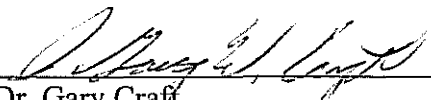
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