

**PALMER COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC
ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY**

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM AGREEMENT

On this 13th day of February, 2007, St. Ambrose University and Palmer Chiropractic (PCC) do hereby enter into this Articulation Agreement.

1. The purpose of this Agreement is to foster a spirit of cooperation between these two educational institutions and thereby provide St. Ambrose University students with an opportunity to earn degrees from both institutions.
2. It is agreed and understood that each institution has the right and responsibility to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes, if any, will be communicated to the other institution as they occur through the office of each institution responsible for implementing this degree program.
3. At the request of either institution a meeting or conference will be held to resolve any problems, monitor the progress, and develop any improvements in this dual degree program.
4. Neither institution will discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, disability, ancestry, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, Vietnam-era veteran status, parental status, and pregnancy in the selection and participation of students in the dual degree program. With respect to a disability, a qualified student with a disability is an individual who (with or without reasonable accommodations) meets the legitimate standards and criteria that are rationally related to the stated goals or purposes of each institution's educational program.
5. Beginning with the first semester of the 2007-2008 St. Ambrose University academic year, a dual degree program leading to a Bachelor degree from St. Ambrose University and a Doctor of Chiropractic degree from PCC will be available to qualified students. This dual degree program will require approximately three years of attendance at St. Ambrose University followed by a minimum of five academic years of eight months each of attendance at PCC. The chiropractic program is arranged so a student may choose to complete the curriculum in three and one third consecutive years. The chiropractic curriculum contains a minimum of 4,620 classroom hours of instruction, which must be completed within eight calendar years.
6. Students who express an interest in the dual degree program must receive St. Ambrose University credit for 90 semester hours in courses which include the prerequisite requirements for the Doctor of Chiropractic degree at PCC and also meet all requirements, including general education and major requirements, for a St. Ambrose Bachelor degree with the exception of courses and credits to be transferred from PCC to St. Ambrose University. See item #9 of this document and ADDENDUM 1, Recommended SAU Courses.
7. St. Ambrose University students will be accepted for admission to PCC under the dual degree program upon:
 - a. Meeting the prerequisite requirements for admission to PCC as described in item #6 above.
 - b. Attaining a minimum 2.50 cumulative grade point average in St. Ambrose University coursework, and

- c. Receiving a positive recommendation of the Chair (or designee) of the Department of Biology at St. Ambrose University.
 - d. Timely submission of all application materials to PCC.
- 8. Upon successful completion of the first year of studies at PCC, a maximum of 30 PCC credit hours may be transferred toward completion of the Bachelor degree at St. Ambrose University. An official transcript must be sent from PCC to as designated official with the St. Ambrose University and the student must request application materials for graduation from the St. Ambrose University Registrar's Office.
- 9. Students who successfully complete the dual degree program will be eligible to participate in commencement ceremonies at both PCC and St. Ambrose University.
- 10. Recruitment of students for this program will be the responsibility of St. Ambrose University with the cooperation of PCC.
- 11. Under the terms of this Agreement, neither institution is obligated to make any payments of any kind to the other institution.
- 12. This agreement will, in no way, be interpreted as creating an agency or employment relationship between the institutions, or as giving rise to a joint venture or partnership between the institutions.
- 13. This Agreement is intended to solely benefit the institutions, and is not intended to create rights in any third party. Students participating in the program, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, will not be considered third party beneficiaries of the Agreement.
- 14. This Agreement may be terminated by either institution by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other institution at the address hereinafter set forth. If the Agreement is terminated, St. Ambrose University students who have enrolled more than 62 credits applicable to the dual degree program and students already enrolled in the PCC's Doctor of Chiropractic program will be allowed to complete their program under the terms of the Agreement.

APPENDUM I
 St. Ambrose University
 And
 Palmer College of Chiropractic

Recommended SAU Courses to fulfill Palmer Pre-Requisites

Liberal Arts Core Requirements:

24 sh

Communication and/or Language Skills (Literature courses not recommended) 6 sh

Psychology 3 sh

Social Science or Humanities 15 sh

(Does not include mathematics, science, business, computers, engineering or physical education)

Major: 32 sh

BIOL 103 General Biology I 4 sh

BIOL 104 General Biology II 4 sh

CHEM 105 General Chemistry I 4 sh

CHEM 106 General Chemistry II 4 sh

CHEM 207/209 Organic Chemistry I Lecture/Lab 4 sh

CHEM 208/210 Organic Chemistry II Lecture/Lab 4 sh

PHYS 203 College Physics I 4 sh

PHYS 204 College Physics II 4 sh

Other coursework to total 90 hours minimum (consult advisor at St. Ambrose for course selection) 34 sh

Transfer Credits:

Electives taken at PCC in Life Sciences 30 sh

Total Degree Requirements: 120 sh

Note: Palmer requires 1 academic year in Biology, 1 academic year of Inorganic Chemistry, 1 academic year in Organic Chemistry and 1 academic year in General Physics.

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