

**PALMER COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC – Davenport, IA & Port Orange, FL  
AND  
Park University**

**DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023, **Park University** and Palmer College Foundation, DBA Palmer College of Chiropractic, an Iowa Corporation (hereinafter 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 **Park 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 dual 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, 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-academic adjustments) 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 2023-2024 **Park University** academic year, a dual degree program leading to a Bachelor Degree in Biology from **Park 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 **Park 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 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 **Park University** credit for 90 semester hours in courses which meet the prerequisite requirements for the Doctor of Chiropractic degree at PCC and also meet all requirements for **Park University** Bachelor Degree in Biology with the exception of

courses and credits to be transferred from PCC to **Park University** See item #9 of this document and ADDENDUM 1, Sample Course Sequence.

7. **Park University** students will be accepted for admission to PCC under this dual degree program upon:
  - a. Meeting the prerequisite requirements for admission to PCC as described in item #6 above.
  - b. Attaining a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average in **Park University** coursework; however, students receiving a minimum of 2.75 cumulative GPA may be considered for PCC admissions but are not guaranteed a seat under this agreement.
  - c. Receiving a positive recommendation of the Chair (or designee) of the Department of Biology.
  - 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 in Biology at **Park University**. An official transcript must be sent from PCC to a designated official with the **Park University** Registrar's Office, and the student must request application materials for graduation from the **Park 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 **Park University**.
10. **Park University** will allow PCC on campus to promote the partnership via academic club presentations, a recruitment table, and/or classroom visits.
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, **Park University** students who have earned more than 62 credits applicable to the dual degree program and students already enrolled in PCC Doctor of Chiropractic program will be allowed to complete their program under the terms of the agreement.

**ADDENDUM I**  
**Park University**  
**Palmer College of Chiropractic – Davenport Campus**

**Sample Course Sequence**  
*Biology Major*

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**Major Coursework**

Listing of PU course name/course number/course credit

Est 50 credits

**General Education & Other Courses**

Listing of PU course name/course number/course credit

Est 40 credits

**Total 90 credits**

*Note: Palmer Entrance Requirements of 90 semester hours with 24 being in the life and physical sciences; half with a lab*

**Transfer from Palmer:** Select 30 credits from the first year of Palmer's DC program.

<b>Palmer College of Chiropractic</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Park University</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Please refer to the current Palmer College academic catalog for first-year course listing.	30	Science or Elective	30

**Total 30 credits**

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**Total for Bachelor Degree**

**Total 120 credits**

*Doctor of Chiropractic Degree granted at completion of required coursework*

**ADDENDUM II**  
**Park University**  
**Palmer College of Chiropractic – Davenport Campus**

**Sample Course Sequence**  
*Biology Major*

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**Major Coursework**

**Listing of PU course name/course number/course credit**

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