

# UNITED STATES SPORTS ACADEMY

"America's Sports University"



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## PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

\*The District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, Florida

This ARTICULATION AGREEMENT is made this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011 between  
\* ~~PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE~~ (hereinafter called *PSC*) whose legal address is 1000  
College Blvd; Pensacola, FL 32504, and the UNITED STATES SPORTS ACADEMY  
(hereinafter called *USSA*), a not-for-profit university organized under the laws of the State of  
Alabama in the United States of America and whose legal address is One Academy Drive;  
Daphne, AL 36526, United States of America.

### WHEREAS:

- 1.00 *PSC* is a recognized postsecondary institution engaged in the educational preparation of students for careers in sport-related professions and offering an accredited Associate's Degree, and;
- 2.00 *PSC* is also engaged in the administration of sport education programs in the disciplines of sports and related fields such as sports management, physical education, and the like in the promotion of its stated mission, and;
- 3.00 *PSC* is engaged in various ancillary and support curricula in the many disciplines.
- 4.00 *USSA* is a special mission institution of higher learning accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; Telephone number 404-679-4501) to award the Master of Sports Science degree (Level III) and the Doctor of Sport Management degree (Level V) and accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award a baccalaureate degree (Level II).
- 5.00 *USSA* has an upper-division Bachelor of Sports Science (B.S.S) degree, in addition to a Master of Sports Science (M.S.S.) degree and Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree; all of which have been approved by the Sport Management Program Review Council (SMPRC), a joint committee of the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) and North American Society for Sport Management (NASSM).

**IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED** that this ARTICULATION AGREEMENT between *PSC* and *USSA* shall be established for the promotion of sport education in the respective institutions through a cooperative program in curriculum.

## **ELEMENTS OF COOPERATION STIPULATED**

**USSA** will provide the following educational services and otherwise use its good offices to support the mission of **PSC** in the following ways:

1.00 **USSA** shall admit, with junior standing and the opportunity to complete the bachelor's degree in four semesters of online coursework with **USSA**, qualified students graduating from **PSC** into its Bachelor of Sport Science Degree Program. Students can choose from majors in Sports Coaching, Sports Management, and Sports Studies. Qualified students will have been awarded an AA, AS or AAS degree by **PSC** and graduate with a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

1.1 Qualified students will also have at least 60 transferable (non-remedial) college semester hours; at least 30 of those hours must be General Education Core (GEC) classes as listed below:

- English (6 Sem. Hrs.)
- Fine Arts and/or Humanities (6 Sem. Hrs.)
- Science (6 Sem. Hrs.)
- Math (3 Sem. Hrs.)
- Social and/or Behavioral Science (6 Sem. Hrs.)
- Computer Science (3 Sem. Hrs.)

1.2 Students deficient in the GEC but who have earned an Associate's degree will be admitted as "Conditional Students" and must complete the GEC requirements prior to the mentorship experience (the culminating experience).

2.00 The application fee will be waived for any student graduating from **PSC** with an AA, AS, or AAS degree who makes application into the Academy's BSS Program.

3.00 Students on financial aid who do not start the course in the first two weeks following registration will be dropped from **USSA**'s programs and the federal funds returned to the government.

4.00 **USSA** shall be pleased to invite qualified faculty from **PSC** to become members of **USSA**'s National Faculty with permission of the administration of **PSC**. National Faculty members have the opportunity to go on international assignment to deliver short-term seminars for the Academy. **PSC** Faculty are also invited to submit articles to **USSA** publications such as The Sport Journal (online peer-reviewed journal).

5.0 **USSA** will work with **PSC** in any and all programs in the development of sports related curricula, which are mutually acceptable to both institutions.

6.00 Faculty and staff personnel of **USSA** and **PSC** will work together cooperatively and collaboratively to address issues relative to students covered by this agreement.

**CONCLUSION**

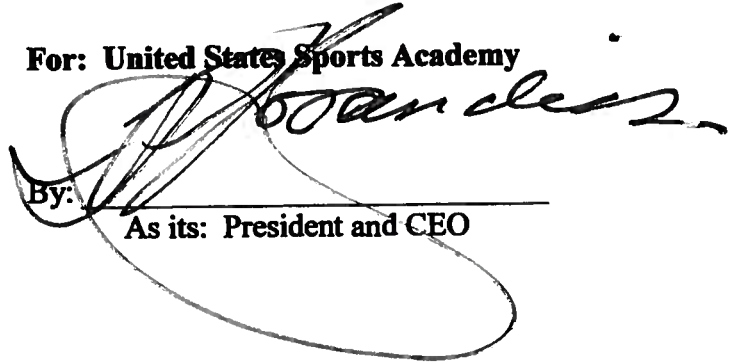
Each party to this ARTICULATION AGREEMENT shall seek the implementation of the various services detailed herein within the calendar year of execution and shall designate a campus coordinator to facilitate the efforts of their respective organizations for the implementation of the provisions of this ARTICULATION AGREEMENT.

This ARTICULATION AGREEMENT between the parties hereto is executed on the date first mentioned above by:


The District Board of Trustees of  
**For: Pensacola State College, Florida**

By:   
As its: President

**For: United States Sports Academy**

By:   
As its: President and CEO

Approved as to Form:

By:   
Thomas J. Gilliam, Jr.  
General Counsel  
Pensacola State College