

UNITED STATES SPORTS UNIVERSITY

"America's Sports University®"

TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT Between UNITED STATES SPORTS UNIVERSITY,

hereafter referred to as USSU, and Pensacola State College Hereafter referred to as PSC

- 1. Introduction to Specify Programs and Institutions
 - a. This Agreement supports the transfer of students with the associate's degree from PSC, transferring into the following degrees at USSU: all bachelor's degrees. PSC graduates who have earned the associate's degree since 2024 are covered by this agreement.

2. Statement of Intent

a. The intent of this agreement is to facilitate bachelor's degree attainment for students transferring from PSC to a bachelor's degree program(s). The combination of courses required to complete the bachelor's degree program(s) will provide students with sufficient rigor and content to facilitate their success at USSU.

3. Statement of the Basic Agreement

- a. USSU agrees to accept up to 60 credits for students transferring from PSC. These documents are hereby incorporated and made a part of this Agreement.
- b. USSU agrees to accept any and all PSC full-time faculty or staff wanting to pursue a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree, after meeting all published criteria outlined in the USSU Catalog, for any of the degree programs offered by the university.
- c. PSC students, faculty, or staff fully admitted to any of the USSU degree programs are eligible to receive the "Presidential Transfer Scholarship" covering up to 30% of tuition expenses for full or part-time study. This award will not preclude federal awarding and is not available to be added to any other USSU institutional scholarship. Students must make "satisfactory progress" toward a degree and remain continuously enrolled to retain the award throughout their degree studies.

4. Term and Termination

a. This Agreement shall commence January 1, 2025, or on the date of the last signature entered in the Contract Administration section, whichever is later, and shall terminate on January 1, 2030, unless terminated earlier as provided elsewhere in this Agreement.

b. This Agreement may be renewed by the mutual written consent of the parties for additional terms, not to exceed five (5) years. Either party may terminate or suspend this Agreement for convenience upon sixty (60) days' written notice provided, however, that the parties shall discuss and reasonably attempt to resolve the issues that led to the notice of termination or suspension during the sixty (60) day period. Notwithstanding the termination of the Agreement, any student who has applied for transfer from PSC to USSU prior to or during the sixty (60) day period shall be treated as if this Agreement continues to be in effect.

5. Changes in Curriculum or Program Requirements

- a. Changes made to relevant curriculum at either USSU or PSC will necessitate review of the programs at both institutions to determine if modification of this Agreement is necessary. If deemed appropriate, a new agreement will be generated and signed. Curriculum changes by either USSU or PSC must be communicated in writing no later than June 30 of any academic year by the individuals identified in Contract Maintenance.
- b. Each partner assumes responsibility for informing their students of curricular revisions that would impact student planning and/or degree completion. In the event graduation requirements for the bachelor's degree at USSU change within this time, the standards and practices established by USSU to cover such a change will apply to transferring students.

6. Admission and Matriculation

- a. This Agreement does not guarantee admission to USSU. Students shall apply for admission to USSU in accordance with rules, policies, and procedures of USSU in effect at the time of application.
- b. The catalog under which the student will graduate from USSU will be determined by the policies and practices in place at USSU.
- c. As appropriate, courses transferred may fulfill USSU requirements. Nevertheless, students will be responsible for completing all graduation requirements of USSU in effect at the time of graduation in order to earn a bachelor's degree. Students are urged to work with an academic advisor at USSU prior to and after transfer in order to plan an efficient course of study for the bachelor's degree. This advising will be provided by the student's assigned advisor, whomever that may be at the time of admission.

7. Financial Provisions

a. This Agreement will provide the following participants up to a 30% of tuition scholarship for the duration of study after federal awards and available options are included in the student financial aid package; this award is not eligible to be added to "other" USSU awards: PSC students, who are pursuing a bachelor's degree and all full-time faculty and staff pursuing degrees at USSU qualify for the "Presidential Transfer Scholarship."

8. General Provisions

 a. In carrying out the responsibilities and obligations of this Agreement, neither party shall be acting as the agent or principal of the other with regard to dealings with third parties, including students. Neither party shall have the authority to make any statements, representations, and commitments of any kind, nor take any action binding the other except as provided for herein or authorized in writing by the party to be bound.

- b. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties. No waiver, consent, modification, or change of terms of this Agreement shall bind either party unless in writing and signed by both parties.
- c. By signing this contract, the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of this agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire, for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this provision shall be deemed in breach of this agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting there from.

9. Contract Maintenance

- a. This Agreement expires as outlined in section 4 a. and must be routinely reviewed and reexecuted in order to ensure its continued relevance and viability.
- b. This Agreement shall be reviewed annually by the parties unless significant curriculum and/or program changes mandate an earlier review.

10. Signatures

a. The parties hereto have executed this Agreement on this day and year of the last date accompanying the signatures.

For: United States Sports University

Name: Steve Condon

Title: President

Date:

For: Pensacola State College

By (Sign)

Name: C. Edward Meadows

Title: President Date: 1-8-25

By (Sign) Brenda &

Name: Brandon Spradle / Title: Chief Academic Officer

Date: 7-8-25

By (Sign)

Name:

Title: Contracts Officer

Date:

Approved as to Forms

Thomas J. Cilliam, J. General Counsel Pensacora State College