

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Turtle Mountain Community College,

Dakota College at Bottineau

And

Minot State University

Re:

This document is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) among Dakota College at Bottineau (DCB), Turtle Mountain Community College (TMCC), and Minot State University (MSU). It is to be based on extending the existing MOU between DCB and MSU (signed May 2010) to include TMCC.

The existing MOU between Dakota College at Bottineau and Minot State University is a 2 + 2 program intended for students pursuing a career in Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement. It combines and integrates coursework from DCB's Fish and Wildlife Management (Associate of Science; A.S.) program and MSU's Criminal Justice (Bachelor of Science; B.S.) program. This MOU makes the collaboration available to TMCC students as well. Under this agreement, DCB will offer the fish and wildlife management coursework to TMCC and MSU. TMCC will offer first and second year criminal justice (CJ) course work to DCB and MSU will offer upper level CJ coursework to TMCC and DCB. Students transferring to MSU from DCB and TMCC, after having completed an A.S. degree and having completed the required fish and wildlife management and criminal justice courses, will be recognized as having junior status in MSU's CJ program. MSU will recognize that DCB and TMCC students who have completed the A.S. degree will have fulfilled MSU general education requirements for a B.S. degree. Fish and wildlife management and criminal justice courses will be applied as appropriate and as stipulated in the attachment to this MOU. A student transferring from DCB or TMCC to MSU with the A.S. degree and coursework specified in the curriculum outline will complete the remaining MSU requirements for a B.S. in Criminal Justice.

Degrees to be awarded:

Associate of Science following the Fish and Wildlife Management (A.S.) suggested curriculum
Dakota College at Bottineau
Associate of Science with a focus on Wildlife Management (A.S.)
Turtle Mountain Community College
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (B.S.)
Minot State University

Admission

1. The distinctive admission policies and procedures that pertain to each of the Colleges and the University will be honored; each institution's unique policies and procedures will apply to students who seek admission at the respective institutions in the partnership.
2. Student will require acceptance notifications from each of the respective partnering institutions from which they seek admission.

Structure

1. Dakota College at Bottineau will be the educational institution responsible for delivering coursework required for the Fish and Wildlife Management program including FWLD 121 - Introduction to Fish and Wildlife Management, FWLD 122 - Wildlife Fisheries Techniques, and BOT 212 - Botany II. These three courses will be offered over the interactive video network (IVN). MSU and TMCC will make IVN classroom space available for receiving these courses. The receiving institutions will be responsible for hiring faculty to teach the laboratory component of each of these courses.
2. Turtle Mountain Community College will develop the course "Introduction to Fish and Wildlife Officer Enforcement" and be the source of instruction for this course. TMCC will also be the primary educational institution for delivering CJ 201 - Introduction to Criminal Justice and CJ - 230 Criminal Law. These three courses will be delivered over IVN by TMCC. MSU and DCB will make IVN classroom space available for receiving these courses.
3. Minot State University will use CJ 499 - Special Topics for developing and offering a three-credit course titled "Crimes Against Wildlife." After offering the special topics course twice and if student enrollment justifies it, "Crimes Against Wildlife" will be made into a regular CJ course. MSU will be the primary educational institution responsible for delivering CJ - 300 Policing, CJ 330 - Criminology Theory, CJ - 340 Juvenile Justice, CJ 370 - Court Processing, CJ 380 - Corrections, CJ - 499 Special Topics or Crimes Against Wildlife, and CJ 491 - Senior Seminar. A student may take any of these courses at any other university, providing that the courses taken are equivalent in level, content and rigor to the MSU taught course. Courses may be taken in classroom, through IVN or on-line. (Note that a minimum of twenty-four hours of credit must be earned through MSU CJ coursework to fulfill degree requirements for the B.S. in Criminal Justice.) Minot State University will offer these courses over IVN. Dakota College at Bottineau and Turtle Mountain Community College will make IVN classroom space available for receiving these courses.

Time-line

4. This program will become available to students starting in August, 2011.

Marketing

5. This agreement shall be recognized by all parties as a partnership program between TMCC, DCB, and MSU and, as such, all parties will market this program.
6. This program shall be described as a 2 + 2 Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement program.
7. TMCC, DCB, and MSU will use the official logo of all partner institutions in program brochures and other literature related to the program.

Costs

8. Students taking a TMCC course listed on the TMCC class schedule will be charged and pay all TMCC tuition and fees. Students taking a DCB course listed on the DCB class schedule will be charged and pay all DCB tuition and fees. The courses taught by TMCC and DCB will be cross-listed between the two campuses, thus tuition and course fees will not be exchanged between DCB and TMCC for courses mentioned in this MOU. Students enrolling in MSU courses will pay tuition and course fees to MSU based on rates established by MSU.

Monitoring and Review

9. Any aspect of this document is subject to revision. All partners of this MOU must agree in writing before any changes may be implemented. An annual review of this MOU will occur at the end of each spring semester.

Signatures

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