

KCU Rural Health Scholars

Memorandum of Understanding

between

Kansas City University

and

Missouri Southern State University

and

Labette Community College

Based upon mutual respect for the integrity of parallel academic programs and, in an effort to improve the well-being of rural communities we serve, and better serve students intending to pursue a career in osteopathic or dental medicine, Kansas City University (hereinafter referred to as “KCU”) and Missouri Southern State University (hereinafter referred to as “MSSU”) and Labette Community College (hereinafter referred to as “LCC”) hereby enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”) for the *KCU Rural Health Scholars program* (hereinafter referred to as “Program”). KCU, MSSU, and LCC may be individually referred to as an “Institution” and collectively as the “Institutions.”

- I. **Background.** The purpose of this Agreement is to define the requirements for admission to the Program, student progression in the Program before matriculating to MSSU and KCU, admission into KCU, and special criteria for MSSU awarding the bachelor’s degree to participating students, along with other relevant terms. The Institutions hope that this Program will result in an increased number of qualified students with rural backgrounds being attracted to LCC, MSSU, and KCU. In addition, the Program will provide qualified and selected students the opportunity to complete the bachelor’s degree and the doctor of osteopathic medicine or doctor of dental medicine degree in seven years instead of eight. Students selected to enroll in, and those participating in the Program are referred to as “Students.”

II. **Program Details**

A. **Selection of Program Student Participants**

1. LCC decides which Students may enter the Program based on eligibility criteria set out in this MOU. MSSU and KCU serve as a resource to LCC in the process, and may delegate representative(s) to visit LCC campus to engage with LCC and its Students in the Program.
2. To be considered for participation, applicant-students are required to fill out an acknowledgement in the form of **Exhibit A** that will accompany the Program application form. Among other terms reflecting the criteria and other parts of the Program, this form includes FERPA compliant consent language that expressly allows the Institutions to share all information with other Institutions as necessary to carry out the Program and for consideration in admission and related decisions.
3. LCC may select applicant-students to the Program at certain times, as follows:
 - i. during their senior year of high school and begin the Program as incoming freshmen at LCC; OR
 - ii. after matriculation to LCC but no later than the “final census day” of the 2nd semester of college coursework taken after graduation from high school.

4. LCC communicates selection decisions to the applicant-students in a manner substantially consistent with **Exhibit B**.
5. Even if an applicant-student is not selected into the Program, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prohibit one of the Institutions from admitting applicant-students into an individual Institution, outside the Program.

B. Student Minimum Criteria at Each Stage.

1. As part of the Program selection process, LCC will review the student-applicant's qualifications for Program eligibility:
 - i. students must graduate from a high school located in a "rural" county in Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, or Arkansas ("rural" is defined in the Program as a county that includes an area designated as a federal Health Professionals Shortage Area),
 - ii. high school academic performance:
 1. Overall GPA of 3.25 or higher and a Math and Sciences GPA of 3.25 or higher and,
 2. minimum ACT composite score of 24;
 - iii. if applicable, college freshman academic performance
 - iv. extracurricular activities;
 - v. community service; and
 - vi. desire to pursue a career in osteopathic or dental medicine.
2. The Institutions agree Students must meet the following minimum academic evaluation criteria to remain and progress in the Program:
 - i. Students must achieve and maintain an overall GPA of 3.5 and a Math and Sciences GPA of 3.5 at LCC in courses included in the Program's first year curriculum.
 - ii. Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all courses included in the Program's first year curriculum.
 - iii. After matriculation to MSSU, Students are required to maintain an overall GPA of 3.5 and a Science and Math coursework GPA of 3.5, both on a 4.0-point scale. (See **Exhibit C**)
 - iv. If a Student's academic performance drops below these minimum requirements, LCC/MSSU (as applicable to where the Student is enrolled) will place the Student on Program academic probation for the next semester, but the Student may remain in the Program.
 1. If the Student fails to improve their academic performance during the following semester sufficient to meet the Program's minimum requirement, LCC/MSSU will disqualify the Student from the Program.
 2. If the Student is successful in improving their academic performance during the following semester sufficient to meet the Program's minimum requirements, the Student may continue in the Program. The Student remains on probationary status and if they fail to maintain the Program's minimum academic requirements for a second time, LCC or MSSU (applicable) will disqualify Student from Program.
 - v. LCC and MSSU shall inform KCU in writing of the status of each Student, following each academic semester.

3. Coursework Requirements.

- i. Students in the Program must take and complete the following “Core Academic Requirements” with a grade of “C” or higher at LCC or MSSU:

1. Biological Sciences	12 hours
2. Chemistry (General and Organic with labs)	16 hours
3. Biochemistry	3 hours
4. Physics	8 hours
5. English Composition/Literature	6 hours
- ii. Students in the Program must take and complete with a grade of “C” or higher additional MSSU science coursework in relevant topics, as required by MSSU (e.g. Anatomy, Physiology, or other science electives) (See **Exhibit C**).
- iii. After matriculation to MSSU, Students in the Program are required to stay “on schedule” by carrying a course load expected to result in successful completion of all program credits, including all pre-requisite courses within three (3) consecutive academic years.
- iv. If required as part of the Program by the institution in which the student is enrolled, students are expected to participate in recommended co-curricular and extra-curricular activities designed to support development of professionalism and social and interpersonal skills, and to help prepare Students for successful matriculation into KCU’s medical and dental programs.

C. Matriculation from LCC to MSSU.

1. Upon successful completion of the Program’s criteria at LCC and having met all Program requirements for progression, MSSU makes its own admission decisions about Students matriculating to MSSU. LCC and MSSU have entered into a matriculation agreement attached as **Exhibit C**, which is intended to serve as a guideline for the curriculum required for matriculation to MSSU as part of the Program.
2. The LCC Program Director shall provide a list of eligible Program students to the MSSU Program Director after the conclusion of the second semester term, no later than May 31 of each year.
3. Completion of Associate’s Degree for Students Matriculating to MSSU:
 - i. After Students complete Year 3 of the Program at MSSU, MSSU and LCC staff will work together to facilitate a reverse transfer of credits earned. The credits earned at MSSU will be evaluated by LLC and applied toward the completion of the Student’s associate’s degree.

D. Admission Consideration and Matriculation from MSSU to KCU.

1. Students are eligible to apply for conditional acceptance to KCU after successful completion of the following:
 - i. The Program’s year one and year two curriculum
 - ii. A minimum of 45 college-level credit hours in LCC and MSSU face-to-face classes following their high school graduation (*This is a recommendation included to encourage students to enroll in face-to-face classes when possible. It is not a requirement for application for conditional acceptance to KCU).
 - iii. Minimum GPA of 3.5 on all college-level courses completed at MSSU
 - iv. Minimum GPA of 3.5 in Sciences and Math courses completed at MSSU
 - v. Students must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all “core academic requirements”
 - vi. Completing application process requirements that include two letters of recommendation:
 1. One letter from a supporting physician or dentist.

2. One letter from the MSSU Program Director(s) or the Student's MSSU pre-med or pre-dental advisor supporting the Student's commitment, maturity, and preparedness for early entry into the KCU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the KCU College of Dental Medicine.
2. Upon successful completion of the Program's second year curriculum at MSSU and having met all Program requirements for progression, Students are eligible for an "automatic interview" with the KCU College of Osteopathic or the KCU College of Dental Medicine.
 - i. Upon application from a Student, KCU decides whether to admit the Student ("conditional admission") or not to KCU, within its sole discretion. If selected for conditional acceptance to KCU, KCU notifies the Student, who may be advised of additional requirements for admission.
 1. The decision whether to conditionally accept a Student into a KCU program remains within the discretion of KCU. There is no obligation, nor shall this Agreement be interpreted to be a requirement that there is any obligation, that KCU is required to accept any Student. KCU may decline admission of any MSSU student, including Students in the Program, for any reason that does not violate applicable law.
 - ii. Students receiving a conditional acceptance at KCU continue to follow the Program's plan of study at MSSU, through which they must successfully complete the Program's required college credits, including all pre-requisite courses.
 - iii. Students who do not receive conditional admission from KCU may continue in their studies at MSSU but are no longer considered Program Students. Students who accept admittance at a non-KCU graduate institution also are no longer considered Program Students.
3. Each Student selected for conditional acceptance to KCU through the Program must complete the AACOMAS or the AADSAS application no later than September 30th of their junior year at MSSU.
4. All portions of the AACOMAS and AADSAS application must be completed except the following:
 - i. No supporting physician or dentist reference letter required.
 - ii. The MCAT or DAT is not required for conditional acceptance to KCU. Provided however, Students are required to take the MCAT or DAT prior to matriculation to KCU. Students should submit their scores to AACOMAS or AADSAS respectively. The Student's scores are used by KCU for data collection and comparison purposes only and are not considered in the admissions decision.
5. Following the conditional acceptance at KCU, Students continue to follow the Program's plan of study at MSSU to successfully complete the required college credits, including all pre-requisite courses. In addition:
 - i. Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.5 including a minimum GPA of 3.5 in Science and Math coursework.
 - ii. Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all "core academic requirements"
 - iii. Students shall not violate MSSU's and the Program's student code of conduct. Failure to comply may disqualify the Student from continuing in the Program.
6. Upon successful completion of the Program's third year curriculum at MSSU, including the required credits, and having met all Program requirements (as described above and otherwise in KCU materials) for progression, Students who were conditionally accepted at KCU are then eligible to matriculate to the KCU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the KCU College of Dental Medicine, consistent with KCU's admission decision.

E. **Completion of Bachelor's Degree for Students Matriculating to KCU.** After successful completion of Year One in the KCU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the KCU College of Dental Medicine, the KCU credits earned are transferred to MSSU as retro-credit to count toward completion of the Student's bachelor's degree from MSSU. Upon graduating with their bachelor's degree, MSSU shall provide an official copy of the Student's undergraduate transcript to the KCU Registrar's Office.

F. **Options for Students not Selected for Matriculation to KCU.** If a Student in the Program is not selected for matriculation to KCU, they may apply to KCU through the regular application process after completing their undergraduate bachelor's degree. However, all regular admission procedures are in place, including the requirement of the MCAT or DAT, and additional physician or dentist reference letters.

1. MSSU agrees to assist Students not selected for matriculation to KCU, including advising and providing resources with an aim of the Student being able to complete their MSSU degree.

G. **Student Conduct and Application of Policies.**

1. Institutions shall require Students in the Program to follow the student code of conduct of the Institution where the Student is currently enrolled. Failure to comply with the Institution's "code of conduct" may disqualify the Student from continuing in the Program. Additionally, upon matriculation to MSSU, MSSU will require Student's to sign an agreement with additional conduct and academic performance requirements applicable to those Students while in the Program, after review and input from KCU; MSSU is responsible for implementing and enforcing the terms of such Agreement, and sharing relevant information with KCU.
2. Program Students, once selected, enroll at the Institution where they are taking courses for that portion of the Program. Program Students will be considered a student of that Institution only for purposes of application of standards and policies to the students. Provided however, when Program Students enroll at KCU and have not yet completed their MSSU Bachelor's Degree, they are considered a Student enrolled at both MSSU and KCU for academic and enrollment purposes.
3. During the first year of enrollment at KCU, while a Student also remains a degree seeking student through MSSU, Students are subject to the applicable Codes of Conduct at each Institution. Generally, KCU's policies will apply first, with information shared with MSSU as necessary for MSSU to carry out MSSU processes.
4. Additionally, Institutions shall promptly share information about Program Students that are relevant to their progress, conduct, or other information that such other Institution should reasonably know about a Student who intends to enroll at that other Institution. Students will acknowledge in the acknowledgement accompanying the application to the Program that such information may be shared between institutions and considered in decisions.

H. **Student Tuition and Fees.** Students in the Program shall be responsible to LCC, MSSU, and KCU individually, for the tuition and fees for the credit hours taken at each Institution. Each Institution is responsible for billing Program Students for applicable tuition and fees, as with their other non-Program students. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted to mean that any of the Institutions have waived applicable tuition and fees due for the courses provided.

III. **Marketing and Promotion of the Program.**

A. **Admissions, Marketing, and Promotion Materials.** The Institutions agree to encourage qualified students to participate in the Program through advertisement and dissemination of

information. Any description or other promotion of the Program by LCC or MSSU (collectively “Materials”), regardless of format, must receive prior approval by KCU before publication and/or distribution. KCU shall have reasonable opportunity to provide input and/or require changes to the Materials, all within the reasonable discretion of KCU as relevant to KCU compliance obligations or other reasonable business needs. Likewise, MSSU must give prior approval for Program promotional items or descriptions, regardless of format, before publication or distribution.

- a. *Without limiting the foregoing, each Institution in their marketing and disclosures about the Program shall be clear on the various possible outcomes for Students, including that admission to KCU is not guaranteed, even after successfully progressing through the LCC and/or MSSU portions of the Program.*

B. Title IV Compliance

- a. Without limiting the foregoing and without limiting other compliance obligations, the Institutions agree to comply with 34 CFR 668.43(a)(12), for so long as it is in effect and applies to one or more Institutions, when providing Program information to potential students. When promoting the Program, Institutions will clearly identify the portions that each Institution will grant and the method of delivery of the portion of the Program that the degree-granting institution is not providing. Institutions will provide the names and locations of the other Institutions. Institutions will provide an estimate of additional costs Students could incur from enrolling in the Program.

IV. Program Directors.

1. The Institutions each agree to appoint a Program Director(s).
2. The LLC Program Director(s) or MSSU Program Director(s), based on where the Student attends classes, is responsible for notifying any Student who fails to meet the minimum requirements and carrying out any applicable process. The LLC Program Director(s) or MSSU Program Director(s) will then notify KCU of the Student’s status in the Program, in writing.
3. The LCC Program Director shall notify the MSSU Program Director each semester of students who have been accepted into the Program as well as any students who have been disqualified from the Program.
4. The LLC Program Director(s) and the MSSU Program Director(s) shall maintain a list of Students in the Program and periodically meet with the KCU Program Director to review each Student’s progression and status in the Program.
5. All Program Directors work together and with their respective faculty and staff members and student organizations to facilitate opportunities for the Students in the Program to engage with KCU students, faculty, and staff in activities (e.g. team-building and IPE, leadership development, community service, professionalism, research, social development, etc.) in an effort to help prepare the Students for successful matriculation to KCU and for their professional careers.

V. General Terms

- A. This Agreement shall be in effect for a term of five (5) years from the date of execution. This Agreement shall be reviewed by all Institutions at the end of such term, and may at that time be updated and signed for an additional period of time to be specified in the updated Agreement. Continuation of the Program is based on Students’ successful completion of the Program, Program viability, and other relevant factors determined by LCC, MSSU, and KCU.

- B. This Agreement may be terminated at any time with 90 days written notice by any one of the Institutions, provided that any Student in the Program conditionally accepted to KCU at the time of cancellation has the right to continue in the Program, abiding by all rules mentioned above.
- C. The terms of this Agreement may be modified or amended upon written consent of all Institutions, or when the obligation or provision pertains only to two Parties, then upon written consent of those two Parties. These changes shall reference the original Agreement to the extent amended, with the effective date.
- D. The waiver by any of the three Institutions of a breach of any provision of this Agreement by another of the three Institutions shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by such Institutions.
- E. The Parties agree to comply with applicable law and regulations as related to performance of this Agreement, including without limitation, anti-discrimination laws and Title IV, as applicable.
- F. In the event that any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement should be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.
- G. The Parties agree that it is intended that no funds will be exchanged or paid to another Party as related to this Agreement.
- H. The parties to this Agreement are named at the beginning of this Agreement, and there are no third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.
- I. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the Institutions with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, between the Institutions with respect to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the last date set out below, and agree with the terms and conditions set forth above.

KANSAS CITY UNIVERSITY

Signed by:
By: Ed O'Connor
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Name: Ed O'Connor
Title: Provost
Date: 4/29/2025 | 2:57 CDT

MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Signed by:
By: Dean VanGalen
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Name: Dean VanGalen
Title: President
Date: 4/29/2025 | 4:46 CDT

LABETTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

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By: Mark Watkins
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Name: Mark Watkins
Title: President
Date: 5/6/2025 | 5:23 PDT

EXHIBIT A – Program Student Acknowledgement of Terms and Application Form

Labette Community College - KCU Rural Health Scholars

Application and Agreement

I am applying to participate in the KCU Rural Health Scholars program. This program encourages students from rural areas to pursue a path towards and ultimately complete an osteopathic medicine or dental degree. By applying to this Program, I acknowledge that the following apply and agree to these terms:

- I am not guaranteed acceptance into the Program. Any acceptance is not complete until I receive written notice from Labette Community College (“LCC”).
- I understand that LCC has collaborative agreements with Pittsburg State University (“PSU”) and Missouri Southern State University (“MSSU”) and Kansas City University (“KCU”), to offer a number of qualified and selected LCC students the opportunity to participate in Rural Health Scholars program (“Program”).
- I also understand that the Program is designed to provide qualified and selected LCC students the opportunity to complete their Bachelor's degree and their Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) degree or Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) degree in seven years instead of eight years, but due to the varying circumstances of each student, I also acknowledge there is no guarantee of that timeline.
- I understand that students who successfully progress in the Program and successfully complete application to KCU will be granted an interview during the early conditional acceptance period for KCU. I further understand that KCU is under no obligation to accept any student that has been admitted to this Program, *even if the student has successfully progressed in the Program*, and may reject admission of any student for any reason that does not violate applicable law.
- I understand that once I apply, all information about my academic performance, conduct records, and other information relevant to such or relevant to my participation in the Program, may be shared with other institutions that are potentially or actually part of my Program path, for the purpose of facilitating the Program, considering impacts to enrollment, and deciding on admission and other relevant decision(s). As such, I consent to my education records being shared with and among institutions listed on this document for these purposes and this consent is continuing for at least as long as my participation in the Program, as applicable.
- I understand that in order to be eligible to participate in the Program, I must apply and be selected by LCC to participate in the Program. Student selection for the Program will be based on the following:
 - Students must graduate from a high school located in a "rural" county in Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, or Arkansas ("rural" is defined in the program as a county that includes an area designated as a federal Health Professionals Shortage Area),
 - Students must graduate from high school with an overall GPA of 3.25 or higher, and a Math and Sciences GPA of 3.25 or higher, and
 - Students must achieve an ACT composite score of 24 or higher,

- o Students may apply to the Program:
 - As a graduating high school senior planning to enroll at LCC or,
 - as a college student planning to attend LCC, as long as the student applies to the Program no later than the “final census day” of the 2nd semester of college coursework after graduation from high school
 - o Student must desire to pursue a career in osteopathic or dental medicine.
- I understand that the Program is designed to provide academic, cultural, and community experiences to high-achieving students who are committed to academic success, and completing the Program will require a significant commitment of time and effort on my part.
- I understand that the Program requires students to successfully complete courses at LCC in a prescribed plan of study. In order for students to progress in the Program at LCC, Program students shall:
 - o Complete all of the courses required in the Program's first year plan of study;
 - o Maintain an overall GPA of 3.5 and a Math and Sciences GPA of 3.5 in courses in the Program's plan of study at LCC;
 - o Achieve a grade of "C" or higher in all courses in the Program's plan of study at LCC; and
 - o Such other criteria as determined from time to time by LCC, MSSU, PSU, or KCU.

I also understand that if I have not met all Program requirements at the end of my first year in the Program at LCC, or at such other point in the Program as criteria are set, I am subject to disqualification from the Program and will not be able to progress in the Program to MSSU or PSU, or at such later time I may be subject to academic probation for a period in which I may have a chance to improve to meet the criteria, all as determined by the institution at which I am then enrolled.

- I understand that after successfully completing the Program courses and requirements at LCC, Program students are eligible to transfer to either MSSU or PSU for years two (2) and three (3) of the Program. I also understand that as Program students continue in the Program at MSSU or PSU, in order to progress in the Program, Program students will be required to meet the academic and Program requirements relevant to the Program and University which I am attending.
- I understand that the Program curriculum includes "Core Academic Requirement" courses and other selected relevant science courses, all of which must be successfully completed with a grade of "C" or higher in order to progress in the Program.
- I understand that if required as part of the Program by the institution in which the student is enrolled, students are expected to participate in recommended co-curricular and extra-curricular activities designed to support development of professionalism and social and interpersonal skills.
- I understand that if Program students receive a "fail" grade in any course in the Program curriculum, they will be disqualified from the Program.
- I understand that if accepted into the Program, I remain subject to the Code of Conduct at the institution at which I am enrolled, as well as any additional professionalism and conduct requirements applicable to Program students, which may be in addition to the standard's in the Code of Conduct of the institution in which the Program student is then enrolled.

- I understand that students in the Program shall be responsible to LCC, MSSU, PSU, and KCU individually, for the tuition and fees for the credit hours taken at each Institution.
- I understand this acknowledgement is in addition to any admission criteria and requirements of each institution, as applicable to a given part of the Program.

My signature at the bottom of this document signifies my desire to participate in the Program, and my understanding and acceptance of the terms and requirements of the Program.

Student Name _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____

EXHIBIT B – Student Acceptance Letter from LCC

Labette Community College – KCU Rural Health Scholars

Student Acceptance Notification

We are pleased to notify you that you have been accepted into the Labette Community College KCU Rural Health Scholars program.

(next steps to be provided by respective community college)

As a reminder, your participation in the Program remains subject to the acknowledgment you signed at the time of application to the Program and as further set out or communicated by an applicable institution as related to the Program.

EXHIBIT C – Coursework Requirements

KCU Rural Health Scholars

Year One Plan of Study Articulation

Labette Community College – Missouri Southern State University

<u>LCC</u>		<u>MSSU</u>	
Course	Credit Hours	Course	Credit Hours
		UE 100 / University Experience	1
		KIN 101 / Lifetime Wellness	2
MATH 115 / College Algebra	3	MAT 130 College Algebra	3
BIOL 128 / Principles of Biology I	5	BIO 0110 / Principles of Biology I	4
ENGL 101 / English Composition I	3	ENG 101 / College Comp I	3
PSYC 101 / General Psychology	3	PSY 0100 / General Psychology	3
1st Semester Credit Hours	14		
CHEM 124 / College Chemistry I	5	CHEM 151 / Gen Chemistry I	5
MATH 125 / Trigonometry	3	MATH 0135 / Trigonometry	3
BIOL 129 / Principles of Biology II	5	BIO 0111 / Principles of Biology II	4
ENGL 102 / English Compensation II	3	ENG 0102 / College Composition	3
2nd Semester Credit Hours	16		

The Year 1 Plan of Study Articulation is intended to serve as a guideline.

It is understood that students may have previously completed certain courses listed in the Year 1 Plan of Study as “dual credit” courses prior to high school graduation and,

It is understood that LCC could be limited in their ability to offer certain courses listed in the Year 1 Plan of Study in one or the other semester of the first year.

When either of these situations occur LCC may identify a lower-division Gen-Ed course listed in Year 2 or Year 3 of the Plan of Study and include that course(s) in the Year 1 Plan of Study in order to fill the Year 1 curriculum.

In cases where students have previously completed enough lower-division Gen-Ed courses listed in the Year 2 and Year 3 Plan of Study so that there are not enough of these courses available to fill the Year 1 Plan of Study, LCC may consider including a Math or Science course listed in the Year 2 or Year 3 Plan of Study, in the Year 1 curriculum. It is recommended that prior to making this change the LCC Program Director should discuss the change with the MSSU Program Director in an effort to determine the best solution for the student and the program.

It is also understood that courses offered and courses recommended at LCC and/or MSSU may change from year to year. When this occurs, it will be the responsibility of the Program Directors at LCC, MSSU, and KCU to work together to determine what changes should be made in the Year 1 Plan of Study.

After successful completion of Year 1 at LCC earning an overall 3.5 GPA and a Math and Sciences GPA of 3.5 in the courses included in the program plan of study and, earning a grade of “C” or higher in all courses included in the program plan of study, students are eligible to transfer to MSSU for their 3rd semester in the Program.

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Year 2 and Year 3 Plan of Study — Missouri Southern State University

MSSU 3RD Semester

BIO 231 / Gen & Medical Microbiology	5
CHEM 152 / General Chemistry II	5
Gen Ed/ Social Sciences (1A)	3
Gen Ed/ Humanities – Fine Arts (5B)	3
3rd Semester Credit Hours	16

MSSU 4TH Semester

BIO 210 / Molecular & Cell Biology	4
CHEM 301 / Organic Chemistry I	5
BIO 389 Fund of Exp Design & Stats	3
Gen Ed / Humanities (5A)	3
Gen Ed/ Civics (1B)	3
4th Semester Credit Hours	18

MSSU 5th Semester

BIO 305 / Genetics	4
CHEM 302 / Organic Chemistry II	5
PHYS 160 / Elementary College Physics I	4
BIO 400 Biology Capstone	1
Gen Ed/ Health & Wellness	2
5th Semester Credit Hours	16

MSSU 6TH Semester

PHYS 162 / Elem College Physics 11	4
CHEM 350 / Biochemistry I	3
Gen Ed/ Humanities (5A)	3
Gen Ed/ Global Competencies (5C)	3
Gen Ed / Communication (2B)	3
6th Semester Credit Hours	16

7th Semester

TR Credit / KCU Upper Division Electives	12
7th Semester Credit Hours	12
Total Credit Hours: 120	

8th Semester

TR Credit / KCU Upper Division Electives	12
8th Semester Credit Hours	12

It is understood the Year 2 and 3 Plan of Study at MSSU will serve as a guideline. Specific courses and timelines may vary depending on individual students and course offerings. It is possible for students to take additional courses if desired and/or within the summer semester between Year 2 and 3 or within off-schedule terms.

A total of 120 approved credit hours is required for the B.S. in Biomedical Sciences degree. Upon completion of the first year of curriculum at KCU (either DO or DMD program), a minimum of 25 approved credits will be reverse transferred to MSSU towards that completion. It may be possible to reverse transfer additional credits at the request of the student. Program Directors from MSSU and KCU will work together to ensure that all requirements are met for the B.S. in Biomedical Sciences degree.