



**Memorandum of Understanding
Establishing a 2 + 2* Articulation Agreement Between**

BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Associate of Science in General Science with a Biomedical Sciences Concentration
AND
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences

This memorandum of understanding (MOU) serves as an agreement between Baton Rouge Community College (BRCC) and Louisiana State University (LSU) to facilitate transfer for students desiring to earn a bachelor's degree upon completion of their associate degree at BRCC.

BRCC students who have completed the Associate of Science in General Science in Biomedical Sciences Concentration degree program with an overall GPA of 2.5 and who have subsequently met all LSU transfer requirements will be:

1. Admitted to the LSU College of Science following standard College of Science program admission standards as a junior in Biological Sciences.
2. Admitted to LSU using the catalog of record upon entry at LSU or BRCC, whichever is more beneficial to the student.

LSU will:

1. Deliver curriculum information to BRCC for the Biological Sciences degree program.
2. Encourage BRCC students to complete the Associate of Science in General Science with a Biomedical Sciences Concentration prior to progressing to the Bachelor of Science program at LSU. Examples of activities to encourage student progression may include faculty guest lectures at BRCC/LSU, joint BRCC/LSU student club activities, and transfer scholarships.
3. Provide advising information to BRCC AS in General Science Program Manager and science department chair to better assist students pursuing the Associate of Science in General Science who declare their intent to pursue the Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences at LSU.
4. Communicate any and all degree program changes to BRCC.
5. Recognize the existence of this 2+2 articulation agreement in the LSU general catalog under the program description for Biological Sciences.
6. Maintain data related to the progression of students in this program and share student data with BRCC while complying with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
7. Follow the general guidelines of the Bears to Tigers agreement between BRCC and LSU.

- *Disclaimer – While the term “2+2” is standard terminology for articulation agreements between community colleges and universities, science programs often require time beyond the cumulative four years. This articulation agreement between BRCC and LSU acts as a bridge to the baccalaureate.

BRCC will:

1. Provide support for students to complete the A.S. in General Science with a Biomedical Sciences Concentration and meet the LSU College of Science admission requirements.
2. Advise students to select BRCC coursework which will fulfill general education requirements at LSU and the additional courses specifically required in the LSU Biological Sciences degree program.
3. Develop an “Intent to Participate” agreement to track BRCC students declaring the 2+2 articulation.
4. Maintain data related to the progression of students in this articulation agreement and provide LSU with official student transcripts to facilitate the recording of student data at LSU and to allow for timely advising. All of the student information shared will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
5. Convene each semester with LSU representatives to assess articulation progress.
6. Communicate degree program changes to LSU.
7. Promote and market the program in the BRCC service area.
8. Recognize the 2+2 articulation agreement in the BRCC catalog under the program description for Associate of Science in General Science with a Biomedical Sciences Concentration.
9. Follow the general guidelines of the Bears to Tigers agreement between BRCC and LSU.

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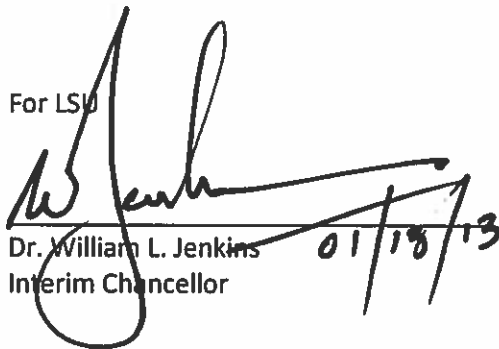
This agreement is effective upon signing. Either party may terminate the agreement through a written notice of intent at the end of the semester of notification. Should the agreement be discontinued, students who declared their intent to participate will be allowed to progress through and complete the concentration according to the terms of the original agreement.

Changes to this agreement may be made at any time, in writing, with a 60 day notice, with the express written agreement of the chief academic officers of each campus.

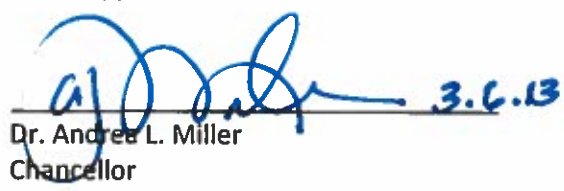
Both parties will share assessment data and will meet periodically to assess the program.

The current College of Science Admission Requirements and Articulation Table outlining the transferability of BRCC program courses to the bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences Program at Louisiana State University's College of Science are attached and made a part of this agreement.

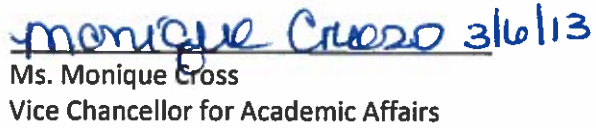
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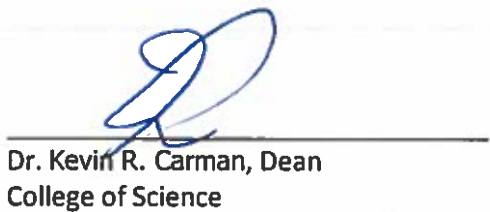

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**LSU College of Science Admission Requirements
(from 2012-2013 LSU Catalog)**

Students who contemplate entering this college should give special attention to the mathematics and science courses they select and should consult a representative of the department they plan to enter prior to completing their initial registration.

Students will be admitted to the college when they:

- have earned 24 or more semester hours of credit in courses numbered 1000 or above;
- have maintained a grade point average of at least 2.00 on both LSU and cumulative averages;
- have passed all courses in mathematics and science with grades of "C" or better or received special approval of the dean of the college;
- have passed ENGL 1001 or the equivalent with a grade of "C" or better;
- have earned credit in either MATH 1022, 1023, 1550 or 1551 with a grade of "C" or better.
- entry into any of the three majors (biochemistry, biological sciences, and microbiology) in the Department of Biological Sciences requires earned credit in BIOL 1201 and 1202; CHEM 1201; and MATH 1550.

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ARTICULATION TABLE

REQUIRED GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES (41 credit hours taken at BRCC):

GENERAL EDUCATION ENGLISH (6 credit hours):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
ENGL 101 (3)	ENGL 1001 (3)
ENGL 102 (3)	ENGL 2000 (3)

GENERAL EDUCATION MATHEMATICS (8 credit hours):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
MATH 111 (3)	MATH 1022 is not used for degree credit at LSU
MATH 210 (5)	MATH 1550 (5)

GENERAL EDUCATION APPROVED NATURAL SCIENCE (9 credit hours):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
BIOL 120 (3)	BIOL 1201 (3)
BIOL 121 (3)	BIOL 1202 (3)
CHEM 101 (3)	CHEM 1201 (3)

GENERAL EDUCATION SOCIAL SCIENCE (6 credit hours):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
Choose one (3)	
Choose 200 level or above (3)	Choose 2000 level or above (3)

GENERAL EDUCATION ARTS (3 credit hours):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
Choose Gen Ed Arts (3)	

GENERAL EDUCATION LANGUAGE (9 credit hours of a language sequence successfully completed at BRCC will be accepted for 8 credit hours of language at LSU):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
Choose Language I (3)	
Choose Language II (3)	
Choose Language III (3)	

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REQUIRED NATURAL SCIENCE COURSES (24 credit hours taken at BRCC):

BRCC COURSE	LSU COURSE
BIOL 200 (1)	BIOL 2900 (1)
BIOL 120L (1)	BIOL 1208 (1)
BIOL 121L (1)	BIOL 1209 (1)
BIOL 250 (4)	BIOL 2051 (4)
BIOL 260 (4)	BIOL 2153 (4)
CHEM 101L (1)	CHEM 1212 (1 OF 2)
CHEM 102 (3)	CHEM 1202 (3)
CHEM 102L (1)	CHEM 1212 (2 OF 2)
CHEM 220 (3)	CHEM 2261 (3)
CHEM 220L (1)	CHEM 2364 (1 of 2)
CHEM 221 (3)	CHEM 2262 (3)
CHEM 221L (1)	CHEM 2364 (2 of 2)

TOTAL BRCC CREDIT HOURS = 65

TOTAL LSU CREDIT HOURS = 61

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