

GANNON UNIVERSITY – Northern Pennsylvania Regional College Contract

DUAL ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT WITH CRAWFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (2018-2019)

THIS AGREEMENT, is made this _____ day of _____, 2018 by and between **GANNON UNIVERSITY**, (hereinafter referred to as "University ") a private educational institution in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the **CRAWFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT** located at 11280 Mercer Pike, Meadville, PA 16335 (hereinafter " District" or "Paying Party") (Federal I.D. #12-15891).

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, the University is an educational institution that provides courses in the area of education and is desirous of providing such an educational experience to students; and

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of establishing a relationship with the University whereby its students may receive experience in college level education subject to the provisions of this agreement (referred to hereinafter as “Agreement” or “Contract”); and

NOW THEREFORE, intending to be legally bound, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Dual Enrollment Program and this Agreement is to allow eligible and appropriately qualified high school students the benefit and advantage of enrolling in college classes concurrently with high school classes, the benefit of receiving both high school and college credit, and the benefit of experiencing coursework at the college level at a reduced cost to students. This contract is limited to courses offered within the contract between the University and the Northern Pennsylvania Regional College.

II. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

- a. *Selection of Students.* The University shall have the final responsibility for the selection of qualified students to participate in all classes. Selected students must have the appropriate educational background and skills consistent with the contemplated educational experience. Students may be asked to provide appropriate documentation demonstrating that they meet the qualifications to participate. Students who do not provide appropriate documentation by the date designated by the University will not be enrolled in the class.

- b. *Education of Students.* The University agrees to offer the following classes at some point during the 2018-19 academic year, including summer 2019:

College Algebra MATH 111
Business Technology CIS 150
English Composition LENG 111
Public Speaking SPCH 111
Psychological Statistics PSYC 211
Foundations of Theology LTHE 101
Human Biology BIOL 104
Foundations of Business Enterprise BCOR 105
Principles of Microeconomics BCOR 111
Intro to Psychology PSYC 111
Critical Analysis and Comp LENG 112
Basic Sociology SOCI 110
History without Borders LHST 111
US Government and Politics POLI 111
Intro to Criminal Justice CRJS 110
Intro to Philosophy LPHI 131

The list above is subject to change. Additional courses that become available during the semester may also be offered to the students upon the mutual agreement of the Parties hereto. Courses that are low-enrolled may be cancelled at the discretion of the University.

The University shall assume full responsibility for the classroom education of its students. The University shall be responsible for the administration of the program, the curriculum content, the requirements for participation, grading, graduation, maintenance of records and faculty appointments. All students are subject to the University student code and other academic and administrative policies detailed in the current University Catalog.

- c. *Provision of Materials.* The University, in collaboration with staff from the Northern Pennsylvania Regional College, will be responsible for providing all necessary registration materials to the appropriate district personnel and will provide whatever support is necessary for successful completion of the enrollment process.
- d. *Student Requirements/Eligibility.* The student must be a high school junior or senior. The student must be making satisfactory progress toward fulfilling applicable school graduation requirements, as determined by the District based on credits earned. The student must have a high school QPA of 3.0 and have the recommendation of the high school principal and/or counselor.

University staff review transcripts to determine eligibility. In order to remain in

this program, the student must maintain a high school grade point average of 3.0. The student also must earn a minimum of C in each completed dual enrollment course.

The University acknowledges and agrees that, in the event a student is suspended or expelled by the District, the student shall not be permitted to participate in the dual enrollment program during the period of said suspension or expulsion. Under such circumstances and when applicable, the University shall utilize its withdrawal policies and tuition reimbursement policies in order to determine whether the student, the student's parents/guardians, or the District is entitled to a refund of any portion of the tuition costs paid to the University.

- e. *No Remedial Courses.* The University does not offer remedial courses. Courses offered to dual enrollment students are identical to those offered to regularly matriculated students. Required prerequisite coursework requirements are identical to those enforced for courses when dual enrollment students are not enrolled.
- f. *Direct Contact with Children.* The University shall provide proof of compliance with all applicable requirements of 24 P.S. §1-111, 24 P.S. §1-111.1, 24 P.S. §12-1205.6, 22 Pa. Code §8.1, *et. seq.* and 23 Pa.C.S.A. §6301, *et. seq.* for any University employee who will have direct contact with children.

III. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DISTRICT

- a. *Establishment of Classroom Facilities.* The District authorizes the use of its facilities as may be agreed upon by the District and the University.
- b. *Student Records.* The District shall protect the confidentiality of student records as dictated by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and shall release no information absent written consent of the student unless required to do so by law or as dictated by the terms of this Agreement.
- c. *Recruitment.* The District shall recruit and designate such students that it wishes to enroll in the contracted class.

IV. MUTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. *Number of Participating Students.* The Parties agree that the University will determine class enrollment limits and enrollment will be contingent in individual classes based upon the space available. District students will be given every consideration for class placement.

- b. *Compensation.* Tuition shall be \$60 per credit hour (\$180 per 3-credit course). As with the District's other dual enrollment programs that meet all of the requirements of 24 P.S. 16-1611-B *et. seq.* and the eligibility requirements for grant funding, the District, in accordance with the District's Dual Enrollment Resolution and at its sole discretion (unless required to do otherwise by law), may contribute tuition assistance in addition to the University scholarship for any District student who chooses to enroll in the program. The remaining tuition amount will be the responsibility of the student/parent(s).

Notwithstanding Section V(2) of this Agreement, the Parties agree that the District reserves the right to modify the amount of any District contribution at its sole discretion, without the consent of the University, and without the necessity of amending this Agreement.

The Parties understand and agree that said District Contribution is contingent upon a student's voluntary choice to enroll in the University's course(s). The University will invoice the District after the beginning of classes for each semester for all tuition charges due.

With regard to the circumstances under which a student is permitted to withdraw from a course and the circumstances under which tuition reimbursement is afforded when a student withdraws from a course, the University's withdrawal policies and tuition reimbursement policies will be in effect and shall govern all classes covered by this Agreement. In the event the University terminates the Agreement for its convenience in accordance with Section V(6)(a) of this Agreement, the District shall be entitled to a pro rated refund for services that have been paid for but not yet performed by the University.

- c. *Textbook Charges.* Textbook costs will be the responsibility of the student/parents.
- d. *Term of Agreement.* The term of this Agreement shall be from the date and year first above stated through **June 30, 2019**.
- e. *Student Credit.* In order to successfully complete a course listed in this Agreement, students must earn a minimum grade of "C". The District will award credit for and recognize courses that are successfully completed under this Agreement as fulfilling the graduation requirements identified. The University will award postsecondary credit, not to exceed 24 postsecondary credits in any school year, to students who successfully complete courses identified in this Agreement as identified above. The University will transcript this credit in a manner similar to other students who take a course at this institution. If a dual enrollment student becomes a regularly enrolled student at the University following graduation from secondary school, the University shall recognize those credits as applying to the student's degree requirements as it would for any regularly enrolled postsecondary student who took the courses.

- f. *Promotional Materials.* Both the University and the District agree to provide a mechanism for communicating the educational and economic benefits of higher education as well as the requirements for participation and enrollment procedures for dual enrollment to parents and students.
- g. *Termination of Class Offering.* Without terminating this Agreement, the University or the District may terminate any class offering covered by this Agreement for any reason with ten (10) days' notice prior to the commencement of the class. In the event that any class offering is terminated in accordance with this provision, the Parties agree that the University shall not be entitled to any compensation for said course.
- h. *Transportation.* Unless otherwise required by law, the District shall have no obligation to, and shall not be required to, transport students to and from the classroom facilities. In the event the District elects to provide transportation, said decision is discretionary and District transportation can be terminated at any time at the sole and unrestricted discretion of the District.
- i. *Notice.* All notices hereunder shall be deemed to have been delivered immediately upon hand-delivery or, if mailed, then three days after mailing by United States mail when sent by certified or registered mail, to the following address:

Crawford County School District
 11280 Mercer Pike
 Meadville, PA 16335
 ATTN: Superintendent

Gannon University
 109 University Square
 Erie, PA 16541
 ATTN: Dr. Linda Fleming, Dean,
 College of Humanities, Education,
 and Social Sciences

V. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR CONTRACTS WHERE UNIVERSITY IS RECEIVING MONEY AND/OR PERFORMING SERVICES

1. Liability. Neither of the Parties shall assume any liabilities to each other. As to liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the Parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this Contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit the District's claims or defenses which arise as a matter of law pursuant to any provisions of this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit the sovereign immunity of the University or the District.

2. Amendments. This Contract represents the complete agreement between the Parties, superseding any other prior or contemporaneous written or oral agreements. Any changes, corrections or additions to this Contract shall be in writing in the form of a supplemental agreement signed by all necessary Parties, shall set forth therein the proposed change,

correction, or addition, and shall be approved by the District's Board of School Directors at a public, advertised meeting held in compliance with the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act.

3. Applicable Law. This Contract shall be governed by, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (without regard to any conflict of laws provisions) and the decisions of the Pennsylvania courts. Paying Party consents to the jurisdiction of any court or administrative tribunal of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and any federal courts in Pennsylvania, waiving any claim or defense that such forum is not convenient or proper. The Paying Party agrees that any such court shall have personal jurisdiction over it, and consents to service of process in any manner authorized by Pennsylvania law.

4. Independent Contractor. In performing the services required by the Contract, each Party will act as an independent contractor and not as an employee or agent of the other Party. The relationship of the Parties to this Contract to each other shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.

5. Conflict in Terms. Should any portion of the Agreement contain terms which conflict with those contained within this page, the terms contained on this page shall unequivocally control.

6. Termination of Contract. The University or District has the right to terminate the Contract for any of the following reasons. Termination shall be effective upon written notice to the other Party:

(a) Termination for Convenience. The University or District shall have the right to terminate the Contract for its convenience if it determines termination to be in its best interest. The University shall be paid for work satisfactorily completed prior to the effective date of the termination.

(b) Termination for Cause. The University or District shall have the right to terminate the Contract upon written notice for the other Party's default as to any of the terms contained in the Contract between the Parties or by law. If it is later determined that the University or District erred in terminating the Contract for cause, then, at the University's or District's discretion, the Contract shall be deemed to have been terminated for convenience under subparagraph (a).

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections (a) and (b) of this section, if semester classes have already commenced prior to termination of this Agreement by either Party, the University and District agree to complete all course offerings for the semester in which notice is given, and the University shall be paid for work through the completion of the semester in which notice is given.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date previously indicated.

ATTEST: (SEAL)

CRAWFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Secretary

_____(SEAL)
By: President, Board of School Directors

GANNON UNIVERSITY

Valerie Bacik, Vice President
Finance & Administration

CONTRACT
EFFECTIVE DATE