

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN HARPER COLLEGE
AND LEWIS UNIVERSITY

This agreement is entered into between Lewis University, hereinafter "Lewis" and Harper College, hereinafter "Harper" to offer qualified students a convenient, cost effective, and streamlined approach to earn both an Associate of Arts degree at Harper and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Combined Special Education/Elementary Education from Lewis.

With mutual institutional respect, our two institutions enter into a partnership agreement. The objectives of the agreement are as follows:

- Offer Harper students the ability to complete both their Associate of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Combined Special Education/Elementary Education.
- Collaboratively advise students to enhance their education and streamline articulation between the two institutions.
- Provide an affordable pathway to complete the Bachelor of Arts degree in Combined Special Education/Elementary Education in four years of time when following the academic plan of study in this agreement

Agreement

1. All provisions of this agreement are confined to the offering of the Bachelor of Arts degree in Combined Special Education/Elementary Education at Lewis and to the Harper students admitted specifically into this programmatic option. None of the terms contained within this document are applicable outside of the Program.
2. Students must complete the courses outlined in the Harper College/Lewis University academic plan in order to obtain the Bachelor of Arts Degree in the Combined Special Education/Elementary Education in Attachment A.
3. Students will be required to complete 128 credit hours for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Combined Special Education/Elementary Education as detailed in Attachment A.
4. Graduates of Harper must complete a minimum of 32 credit hours from Lewis to be awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree in Combined Special Education/Elementary Education. All other program requirements apply.
5. Students should apply for admission to Lewis University at least one full semester prior to their desired start date for enrolling in any Lewis University courses.
6. For admission to Special Education, Lewis students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale and must pass either the State of Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP), or earn a minimum ACT composite score of 22 with a minimum writing score of 6, or an SAT of 1110. Harper will assist in guiding students toward this requirement.
7. Harper will charge tuition for their courses at their most current published rate.

8. Lewis will charge tuition for their courses at a 40% discount from the published per credit hour rate. Students will not be eligible for any additional Lewis funded grant or scholarship aid.
9. Lewis University and Harper will be responsible for billing the student for the respective courses taken at each institution.
10. The Lewis program representative, Harper program representative, and other instructional staff and administrators identified by either representative, shall meet at least annually, and in the interim whenever necessary, for the purpose of coordination of the agreement.

Harper Responsibilities

1. Harper will assist Lewis in the promotion and recruitment of students by distributing printed materials, providing mailing lists and contact information of interested students, and advising current and potential students of this degree program option.
2. Harper will include information on their web site promoting this degree program option.
3. Harper will list Lewis on its website as a partner organization.
4. Harper shall designate an individual to serve as a representative for the purpose of monitoring and coordinating this Agreement. Harper shall notify Lewis in writing of the person's name and contact information prior to commencement of each semester.
5. Harper will provide space to Lewis University Advisors at mutually agreed upon times. Location of advising space may vary depending upon room availability.

Specific Services Lewis will provide to Harper:

1. Lewis will provide onsite advisors at regularly scheduled times to meet with and advise students. Lewis understands that the location of the advising space may change depending upon room availability.
2. Lewis will provide program information to Harper students seeking information on pursuing their degree with Lewis in Harper offices and other appropriate spaces located on Harper's campus.
3. Lewis will list Harper as a partner on its website.
4. Lewis shall designate an individual to serve as a representative for the purpose of monitoring and coordinating this Agreement. Lewis shall notify Harper in writing of the person's name and contact information prior to commencement of each semester.

Terms:

1. This MOU will begin on the execution date of the Agreement and continue for 5 years, and be jointly reviewed annually. Renewal after 5 years is to be mutually agreed upon
2. Either party may terminate this agreement with 180 days advance written notice. Termination by either party must be accompanied by a plan to allow all currently enrolled students to complete their program of study under the terms of this agreement.

Additional Agreements:

1. Both parties shall maintain all necessary and required accreditations with the appropriate accreditation agencies, including the Higher Learning Commission. In the event either party's accreditation is revoked or otherwise limited, this MOU may be terminated

immediately. In the event of such termination for loss of accreditation, all participating students shall be accommodated to the extent possible at the institution that remains appropriately accredited.

2. Lewis shall indemnify, defend, and hold Harper, its officers, agents, trustees, and employees harmless from any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, liabilities, costs, judgments, settlements and charges, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or directly related to negligent acts or omissions of Lewis or its officers, agents, trustees, and employees. This indemnification obligation shall survive any termination of this Agreement.
3. Harper shall indemnify, defend, and hold Lewis, its officers, agents, trustees, and employees harmless from any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, liabilities, costs, judgments, settlements and charges, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or directly related to negligent acts or omissions of Harper or its officers, agents, trustees, and employees. This indemnification obligation shall survive any termination of this Agreement.
4. No agreements concerning the transfer or exchange of any asset of either party is intended or implied by this memorandum. Lewis and Harper are separate and independent institutions of higher education and by this agreement both will continue to operate as separate institutions. The administrators of Lewis and Harper are authorized to sign, prepare and implement plans of action and procedures necessary to effect this agreement.
5. In no event shall either party be liable for any incidental, indirect, special or consequential damages, including, but not limited to, loss of use, revenue, profit or savings.
6. Each party assumes full responsibility for the payment of all federal, state and local taxes it incurs as a result of this MOU.
7. This Agreement is executed by an authorized representative of each party in the representative's official capacity only and the representative shall have no personal liability under this Agreement.
8. Neither party shall discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, physical or mental handicap, an unfavorable discharge from military service, or any other factor as prohibited by law, rule or regulation.
9. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of the State of Illinois regardless of any conflict of laws provision. All disputes arising out of this Agreement, wherever derived, will be resolved in a court of competent jurisdiction.
10. Any modifications and amendments to this MOU must be in writing and signed by authorized agents of both parties.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties, by and through their duly authorized officers, have executed this agreement on the date written above.

For Lewis University:



Dr. David Livingston, President

Date 9/10/18




Dr. Christopher Sindt, Provost

Date 9/10/18

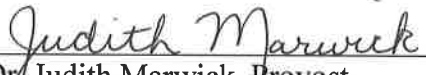
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One University Parkway
Romeoville IL 60446-2200

For Harper College:



Dr. Kenneth Ender, President

Date 9/4/18



Dr. Judith Marwick, Provost

Date Sept. 4, 2018

Harper College
1200 West Algonquin Rd.
Palatine, IL 60067

Attachment A: Bachelor of Arts in Special Education/Elementary Education

Harper College (total credits = 71)

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
ENG 101 English Composition I	3	ENG 102 English Composition II	3
MTH 130 Math for Elementary Teachers I	4	MTH 131 Math for Elementary Teachers II	4
HST 111 American Experience to 1877	3	HST 112 American Experience since 1877	3
EDU 201 Intro to Education	3	EDU 211 Educational Psychology	3
PSY 101 Intro to Psychology	3	EDU 250 Intro to Tech in Education	3
Total Hours	16		16

Summer Semester			
SPE 101 Fundamentals of Speech	3		
Elective	3		
Total Hours	6		

Third Semester	Hours	Fourth Semester	Hours
MTH 165 Elementary Statistics	4	PHI 115 Ethics	3
PSC 101 American Politics	3	Physical Science/Life Science & Lab	4
EDU 219 Students w/ Disabilities in Schools	3	LIT 219 Children's Literature	3
Fine Arts	3	Humanities	3
Physical Science/Life Science	3	EDU 202 Pre-Student Teaching Clinical	1
		LNG 205 Language & Culture	3
Total Hours	16		17

Lewis University (total credits = 57)

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
SPED 22300 Disability Studies in Education	3	ELED 30000 Elementary Field Experience	1
SPED 20000 Field Experience I	1	SPED 35300 Early Reading & Writing	3
ENLE 31000 Foundations of ELL	3	SPED 35900 Assessment for Learning	3
THEO 10000 Search for Faith	3	SPED 35400 Social Science Methods	3
SOCI 29000 Cultural Diversity	3	SPED 30300 Characteristics & Development	3
ELED 37200 Fine Arts in Education	1	Elective	3
Humanities	3		
Total Hours	17	Total Hours	16

Third Semester	Hours	Fourth Semester	Hours
SPED 34000 Science Methods	3	SPED 48400 Clinical Practice & Seminar	9
SPED 35200 Math Methods	3		
SPED 39100 Instructional Planning	3		
SPED 33200 Methods in Content Areas	3		
SPED 47100 Content Area Reading	3		
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	9