

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AND
GADSDEN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Northwestern State University of Louisiana (NSU) and Gadsden State Community College (GSCC) have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for an articulation program. The articulation program will allow students to complete the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Associate of Applied Science (AAS) program at GSCC and transfer all credit hours as designated in Appendix A to NSU for completion of the Diagnostic Medical Sonography to Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Science (DMS to BSRS) degree. Students transferring to NSU may complete the remaining 53 credit hours of their coursework at NSU. Both institutions serve constituency needs and are responsive, student-oriented institutions that prepare students to become productive members of society and promote academic development and improved quality of life for citizens in their regions.

This collaboration is mutually beneficial to both institutions for several reasons. Traditional and non-traditional students attending GSCC will have the opportunity, after earning the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Associate of Applied Science at GSCC, to transfer to the DMS to BSRS program that will accept GSCC credits. NSU will have the opportunity to admit students to the DMS-to-BSRS program who are well prepared with foundation coursework.

Both the University and the College are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

Both the University and the College have full-time faculty with advanced academic and professional credentials, and both have support resources (e.g., libraries, online access, service courses, and adequate administrative, faculty, and staff backup).

In accordance with this Memorandum of Understanding, Gadsden State Community College agrees to:

Provide academic advising to students who plan to transfer to NSU according to agreements in Appendix A.

Provide students with the opportunity to obtain the GSCC credit hours as listed in Appendix A of the Memorandum of Understanding between NSU and GSCC.

Provide transferring students assistance in completing the NSU, DMS to BSRS Application for Admission into the DMS to BSRS program.

Provide information about the Articulation Agreement in the Gadsden State Community College General Catalog and website.

Jointly market the articulation agreement with NSU.

In accordance with this Memorandum of Understanding, Northwestern State University agrees to:

Accept Gadsden State Community College credit hours as listed in Appendix A of the Memorandum of Understanding between Northwestern State University and GSCC.

Provide GSCC with copies of the Application for Admission into the DMS to BSRS program and other advising materials.

Provide information about the Articulation Agreement in the Northwestern State University catalog and website.

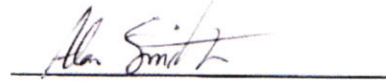
Jointly market the articulation agreement with GSCC.

By signature of President James T. Genovese, Northwestern State University and signature of Allen Smith, President of Gadsden State Community College, this Articulation Memorandum of Understanding is entered into on the 27th day of August, 2026.

This agreement may be revised only with the signatures of the leaders of both institutions.


Dr. James T. Genovese
President, NSU

9.17.2026
Date


Alan Smith
President, GSCC

8/31/26
Date

Appendix A
Gadsden State Community College AAS Diagnostic Medical Sonography Articulation

Core Requirements

AAS Diagnostic Medical Sonography GADSDEN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE			DMS to BSRS NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY			Hours Needed
GSCC	Course Title	Credit Hours	NSU	Course Title	Credit Hours	
ENGL 101	English Composition I	3	ENGL1010	Composition and Rhetoric I	3	0
	English Composition II		ENGL1020	Composition and Rhetoric II	3	3
	Literature		ENGL2110	Introduction to Literature	3	3
MTH 100	College Algebra	3	MATH1020	College Algebra	3	0
	Math (Finite, Stats, Trig)		MATH 1060, 1090, 2050	Finite Math, Trigonometry, Basic Statistics	3	3
BIOL 201 PHY 115	Anatomy and Physiology I Technical Physics BIOL elective	3 3	BIOL1010, 1020, 2250, 2260, CHEM 1030, 1040,1070, SCI1010, 1020	Biological Principles I, II, Anatomy and Physiology I and II for Nursing and Allied Health Majors, General Chemistry I and II, Fundamentals of Chemistry for Nursing and Allied Health Majors, Basic Concepts of Physical Science I, Basic Concepts of Biological Science I	9	3
HUMN	Fine Arts/ Humanities Elective	3	FA1040	Exploring the Arts	3	0
	History		HIST1010, 1020, 2010, 2020	Early World Civilization, Modern World Civilization, History of the United States, History of the United States	3	3
SPH 106	Fundamentals of Oral Comm	3	COMM1010	Oral Communication	3	0
ORI 101	Orientation to College	1	UNIV1000	The University Experience	1	0
PSY 200 level or higher	Introduction to Psychology	3	ECON2000, PSCI2010, GEOG1010 (SOCIAL), SOC1010, PSYC1010, 2050 (BEHAVIORAL)	Principles of Macroeconomic, Government of the United States, World Geography, Principles of Sociology, General Psychology, Developmental Psychology	6	3
Hours Earned 22			Total Hours Needed			18

Professional Course Requirements

AAS Diagnostic Medical Sonography GADSDEN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE			DMS to BSRS NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY			Hours Needed
GSCC	Course Title	Credit Hours	NSU	Course Title	Credit Hours	
			ALHE 3900	Transition into Professional	2	2
			ALHE 3840	Advanced Patient Care	3	3
			ALHE 4520	Research	3	3
			ALHE 4600	Teamwork and Leadership Challenges in HC	4	4
			ALHE 4630	Healthcare Organization Management	3	3
			ALHE 4610	Quality Management	3	3
			ALHE 4900	Directed Study	6	6

			Electives	(DMS clinical courses apply)	5	0
			ALHE electives	(DMS registries apply) # of hours awarded based on the number of registry credentials earned	11	11
Total Hours Needed						35

Total Hours Awarded from GSCC = 67

(22 from Core requirements, 5 elective credits, and 40 credits for successful completion of the GSCC program and obtaining the first registry)

Total Hours Needed from NSU for BS = 53

Total Hours Needed for Degree= 120