# DUAL ADMISSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, CHEMISTRY, MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS

## **Preface**

Brookdale Community College (Brookdale) and East Stroudsburg University (ESU) enter into this Dual Admission Agreement to facilitate the transfer of Brookdale graduates to ESU in the STEM fields.

Under the Dual Admissions Agreement, Brookdale students will be guaranteed admissions into a bachelor's degree program with third year (junior) status at ESU on the condition that they have: graduated from Brookdale with an Associate in Science Degree (A.S.) in: the Mathematics/Science Program Options in Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics, or completed the A.S. Environmental Science program - with a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA; and completed a "Dual Admission Intent" form, preferably, before completion of their 30<sup>th</sup> college credit; and subject to meeting other non-academic criteria for admission.

Brookdale students interested in seeking admission to ESU are strongly encouraged to speak with ESU's admission representative to ensure that they are aware of any specific academic expectations for their major of interest.

Dual admission guarantees you admittance into ESU but does not guarantee admission into some specific majors which require higher GPAs.

A full time student admitted with third year (junior) status to ESU will be able to complete a bachelor's degree in a parallel program at ESU within four regular semesters provided that the student completes the appropriate associate degree program at Brookdale and completes, and appropriately sequences, their remaining course work at ESU.

This Dual Admission Agreement becomes effective in Fall 2017.

To facilitate the transfer of Brookdale graduates to ESU in accordance with the foregoing guarantee, the parties agree to the following:

## **Obligations of East Stroudsburg University:**

- 1. To waive the application fee for students who apply to ESU pursuant to this Agreement.
- 2. To provide Brookdale with "Dual Admissions Intent" form and fact sheets to distribute upon request.
- 3. To, periodically, invite Brookdale students who have completed a "Dual Admission Intent" form to informational/advising meeting(s) with university-faculty and staff in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration.

- 4. To send, within 30 days of receipt of the "Dual Admission Intent" form, an offer of admission to those Brookdale students who complete a "Dual Admission Intent" form.
- 5. To provide Dual Admission participants with ESU financial aid information and provide full consideration for ESU financial aid by April for the fall semester, and by November for the spring semester.
- 6. All courses for which a passing grade (A, B, C) was received will transfer to ESU, as long as the student graduates with an A.A. or A.S. degree.
- 7. To work with Brookdale on Program-to-Program Transfer Agreements and fact sheets that specify the Brookdale courses that satisfy major requirements for degree completion at ESU.
- 8. To ensure that Brookdale Dual Admission participants who enroll at ESU have all of the rights and privileges of other ESU students.
- 9. To ensure that Dual Admission students graduating in the Honors Program at Brookdale will be admitted to the Honors Program at ESU.

## **Obligations of Brookdale Community College (Brookdale)**:

- 1. To publicize this Agreement to prospective and current Brookdale students in its promotional literature, and make arrangements for ESU admissions representatives to visit Brookdale and meet with prospective and current Dual Admission students.
- 2. To provide academic advising to students who are interested in the Dual Admission Agreement to make certain students have the appropriate courses for their intended major at ESU once program-to-program curriculum sequences have been established.
- 3. To work with ESU on possible program-to-program transfer agreements and facts sheet that specify for Brookdale transfer students the courses that satisfy major requirements for ESUs undergraduate degree programs.

## **Eligibility Requirements and Student Obligations**

Brookdale students who participate in the Dual Admission agreement are subject to each of the following requirements:

- 1. All courses for which a passing grade (A, B, C) was received will transfer to ESU, as long as the student graduates with an A.A. or A.S. degree.
- 2. A minimum of 40 three-credit courses are required to earn a bachelor's degree at ESU, at least 30 of their 60 credits must be completed at ESU.
- 3. A student must complete 50% of their major courses at ESU.
- 4. Only credit is transferred. The grades for transfer courses are not calculated in the student's GPA at ESU.
- 5. Students must confirm their intention to matriculate at ESU by May 1<sup>st</sup> for the fall semester, and by November 15<sup>th</sup> for the spring semester.

- 6. Students should follow the established program-to-program course sequences developed between ESU and Brookdale for the program they intend to enroll in at ESU. Students should confer each semester with an ESU transfer counselor to review degree progress and ensure appropriate courses are being completed.
- 7. Brookdale graduates entering ESU under the terms of this agreement must go through ESU's normal transfer admissions process.
- 8. The following items are required for a complete transfer application:
  - Application.
  - Application fee waived.
  - Official College transcript(s) from all institutions attended

# Joint Obligations:

- 1. To consult with each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement, and keep each other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both ESU and Brookdale will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will become effective when both Brookdale and ESU sign the revised document.
- 2. To collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising about this Agreement, ESU academic requirements, and the process of transferring to ESU.
- 3. To develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of Dual Admission agreement.
- 4. To designate a representative or representatives at each institution who will coordinate the Dual Admission Agreement between the two institutions.
- 5. To exchange data annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improve the transfer process, and promote effective cooperation between institutions. These will consist of aggregate data about transfer students, including admissions information, academic progress and retention information, and reports on the results of program reviews, assessments of student learning, and decisions of curricular and other committees.
- 6. To facilitate, consult and collaborate between their faculties related to this agreement related to degree requirements.
- 7. To provide direct links between ESU and Brookdale websites.

# **Revision, Renewal and Termination of this Agreement**

Both ESU and Brookdale are responsible for identifying, and communicating to each other, changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Agreement.

This Agreement will be in effect as of Fall 2017. It will be reviewed annually by each institution, and this agreement may not exceed a period of five (5) years from the date of final execution, unless superseded by a new Agreement or formally terminated. Either institution may terminate this Agreement, at any time, by written notice at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it

is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to ESU under the terms of this Agreement.

The willingness of both institutions to enter this Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from Brookdale into ESU, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is approved by respective college officials on May 9, 2017 for start date of Fall 2017.