

## Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions

# 3+1 Program MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OSU Center for Health Sciences – College of Osteopathic Medicine

This Memorandum of Understanding ("Agreement") confirms the 3+1 Program between Northeastern State University (NSU) and Oklahoma State University - Center for Health Sciences (OSU-CHS), College of Osteopathic Medicine, for the 2024-2025 academic year.

The 3+1 Program offers students a unique opportunity to complete their pre-doctoral medical training in seven years by completing three years of undergraduate education at NSU and four years of medical education at OSU-CHS College of Osteopathic Medicine. Students apply to the 3+1 Program in their junior year. After meeting the requirements outlined in the Academic Catalog, additional requirements for NSU students (Attachment 1), and the first year of medical school, NSU will award an undergraduate degree to students accepted into the 3+1 Program.

Eligibility requirements for applicants to the 3+1 Program:

- Enroll as a full-time student at NSU for no more than four (4) semesters at the time of application (excluding concurrent coursework taken during high school);
- Achieve a minimum 3.5 cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) and a 3.5 science GPA at the time of application to OSU-CHS;
- Science GPA will be calculated according to the course subject categories defined by the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine Application Service (AACOMAS);
- Complete 60 or more credit hours toward a bachelor's degree at the time of application to OSU-CHS;
- Complete at least 500 hours in a health-related setting at the time of application;
- Submit a complete application for admission through the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine Application Service (AACOMAS) by September 1 of their junior year;
- Submit a complete secondary/supplemental application for admission by October 15 of their junior year;

- Submit a verification form to the OSU-CHS Admissions Committee confirming that they will meet the academic requirements from NSU and OSU-CHS to earn their bachelor's degree after their first year at OSU-CHS. This form must be completed by the student and verified by the Pre-Health Advisor or Academic Advisor at the time of application; and
- Participate in an interview with OSU-CHS Admissions during the fall semester of their junior year.

Students must meet with their Academic Advisor annually to review the Academic Catalog for the approved 3+1 majors to ensure all academic requirements for their undergraduate degree and the 3+1 Program are met before matriculation to OSU-CHS.

Students must check the appropriate box on their secondary/supplemental application to indicate they are applying through the 3+1 Program.

Following an in-person interview, a member of the Admissions Committee and the Assistant Director of Admissions will notify applicants of the admission decision by January 1, 2025. The applicant will either be granted provisional acceptance into the 3+1 Program or be invited to apply as a traditional applicant in a later application cycle. OSU-CHS is not required to admit any certain number of 3+1 Program applicants.

Students who are provisionally accepted into the 3+1 Program must fulfill the following requirements to maintain their acceptance:

- Maintain a cumulative 3.5 (GPA) and a 3.5 science GPA. GPA will be calculated at the time of application and before matriculation to OSU-CHS;
- Submit a qualifying score of at least 492 on the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) by July 1 of their junior year;
- Complete all remaining undergraduate coursework required for the approved 3+1 major by the spring of their junior year;
- Submit final and official transcripts to OSU-CHS in May to demonstrate the completion of academic requirements for the approved major and the final verification by the student's Academic Advisor at the end of the spring semester of their junior year to osucomadmissions@okstate.edu; and
- OSU-CHS may revoke admissions to the 3+1 Program to any student with student conduct, Title IX, or similar violations.

After completing the first year of medical school at OSU-CHS and before enrolling in courses for the second year of medical school, 3+1 Program students must submit a final, official transcript from OSU-CHS detailing all coursework to NSU's Office of the University Registrar. While a student at OSU-CHS, the 3+1 Program students are subject to OSU-CHS policies and procedures.

OSU-CHS and NSU reserve the right to review the Agreement periodically and recommend changes as deemed necessary. If OSU-CHS makes recommendations, NSU will have thirty (30) days to accept or reject the proposed changes. The Agreement will be reviewed annually for any updates on majors and academic requirements for approval. Agreed-upon modifications to the MOU will become effective for the incoming undergraduate class for the following academic year.

For the current application cycle, NSU may adjust the academic plans on a case-by-case basis with the mutual agreement of both parties, including the Associate Dean for Enrollment Management at OSU-CHS and the Dean of the College of Science and Health Professions at NSU.

Either program may terminate the Agreement with thirty (30) days' notice.

OSU-CHS and NSU understand and agree that NSU or OSU-CHS shall have the right to terminate the Agreement, in whole but not in part, without penalty or expense, at the end of any fiscal year if NSU, OSU-CHS, the Legislature of the State of Oklahoma, or other appropriate governmental entity falls to allocate sufficient funds to NSU or OSU-CHS respectively for payments required or activities contemplated under this Agreement. OSU-CHS and NSU understand and agree that nothing contained herein shall be construed as a waiver of either party's sovereign immunity.

### Attachment 1

## Additional 3+1 Requirements for Northeastern State University Students

- Students enrolled in community colleges who expect to transfer to NSU to pursue the 3+1
  Program are strongly encouraged to meet with an NSU Pre-Health Advisor to determine
  eligibility and review the Academic Catalog for the approved majors before enrolling at
  NSU;
- Complete their junior year at NSU Tahlequah or Broken Arrow and fulfill the academic requirements outlined in the student's assigned Academic Catalog in one of the approved majors (courses earned as concurrent enrollment in high school and AP credit will be accepted);
  - Cell and Molecular Biology
  - Chemistry, Biochemistry Option;
  - Nutrition Sciences, Allied Health Option;
  - Integrative Biology, Organismic Biology Option;
  - Psychology with Pre-Health minor; and
  - Health and Human Performance with Pre-Health Minor;

• Schedule an interview with the NSU Pre-Health Advisor to obtain a committee letter (preferred)

#### OR

- Submit two letters from faculty who taught the applicant in a class or lab where academic credit was earned.
- Apply for graduation to NSU by January 1 of their first year at OSU-CHS to be included in the spring commencement ceremony as a summer graduate. Students will not officially graduate until the degree is conferred in the summer, but students can participate in NSU's May commencement.
- Students are not required to follow the course sequence as it appears. It is an example of the number of classes a student will need before starting classes at OSU-CHS.
- Students might be required to take College Algebra or another math to satisfy prerequisites for their Department of Natural Sciences classes.
- Students should select a second Biology class for their degree option.
- Students should select a Social Science as appropriate for their degree. The recommended courses are PSYC 1113 and SOC 1113.
- Students choosing the Chemistry Biochemistry option must take PHYS 2115 and PHYS 2215.
- Students should select an upper-level BIOL or CHEM appropriate for their degree.

#### **Example of Course Sequence**

#### Freshman

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
BIOL 1013 Intro Biology I	CHEM 1223 General Chemistry II
BIOL 1011 Intro Biology I Lab	CHEM 1231 General Chemistry II Lab
CHEM 1123 General Chemistry I	BIOL XXXX Elective**
CHEM 1131 General Chemistry I Lab	MATH XXXX*
ENGL 1113 Freshman Comp I	ENGL 1213 Freshman Comp II
UNIV 1003 University Strategies	Social Science***
Total Hours 14	Total Hours 17

#### Second Year – Sophomore

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
CHEM 3123 Organic Chemistry I	CHEM 3223 Organic Chemistry II
CHEM 3131 Organic Chemistry I Lab	CHEM 3231 Organic Chemistry II Lab
PHYS 1114 General Physics I****	PHYS 1214 General Physics II
POLS 1113 American Federal Government	Life Skills, 3 hours
H ED 1113 Personal Health or NUTR 1653 Basic Nutrition	Humanities, 3 hours
HIST 1483 or 1493* American History	Major Course 3 hours

Total Hours 17 Total Hours 17
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#### Third Year – Junior

Fall Semester	Spring Semester	
Upper-Level Science Elective***** 4 hours	Major Course 3 hours	
Major Course 3 hours	Global Perspectives, 3 hours	
Humanities, 3 hours	Major Course 3 hours	
Communications, 3 hours	Major Course 3 hours	
Major Course 3 hours	Major Course 3 hours	
Total Hours 16	Total Hours 15	