

**COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
MARSHALL UNIVERSITY AND ALDERSON BROADDUS UNIVERSITY  
FOR:  
DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**

This Agreement is entered into this 28 day of September 2021, between Marshall University, a State of West Virginia institution of higher education (Marshall) and Alderson Broaddus University, Inc., a West Virginia non-profit corporation (Alderson Broaddus), collectively (the Parties).

**Whereas**, Marshall University, through its College of Health Professions, School of Physical Therapy (MUSOPT), offers the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree; and

**Whereas**, It is the desire of the Parties for highly qualified students attending Alderson Broaddus University to enter the Marshall University DPT program.

**Wherefore**, the parties agree as follows:

1. Alderson Broaddus University will provide an undergraduate education that meets the stated requirements for MUSOPT. Students at Alderson Broaddus University may pursue any undergraduate major; however, students must successfully complete the required prerequisite courses.
2. MUSOPT will accept up to two (2) students each year in its Doctor of Physical Therapy program provided the students meet the following criteria:
  - a. Completed an undergraduate degree, including the required prerequisite courses, from Alderson Broaddus University prior to matriculation into the Marshall University School of Physical Therapy;
  - b. Attained an overall cumulative undergraduate grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale or higher;
  - c. Attained a grade point average of 3.4 on a 4.0 scale or higher in the required prerequisite courses, which include but are not limited to: BIOL 210, BIOL 211, CHEM 200, CHEM 210, PHYS 221, PHYS 222, BIOL 270, BIOL 271, MATH 251 or PSYC 260, and PSYC 190 & PYSC 220 or PSYC 420. Higher level courses may be substituted for lower-level courses in the same area.
  - d. Attained a minimum grade of B in each required prerequisite course;
  - e. Completed a verified application with the Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service (PTCAS) by the published deadline of the year prior to matriculation with all required elements completed (e.g., essay, letters of recommendation, undergraduate transcript, GRE scores, and 30 clinical observation hours);
  - f. Received a total GRE® score (Verbal + Quantitative) of 298 or higher with a 3.5 on a 5.0 scale for the Analytic Writing score. GRE® scores are to be submitted using the following school code [MUSOPT Code = 0323];
  - g. Completed the Altus Suite (CASper Test & Snapshot) by the published deadline of the year prior to matriculation;
  - h. Successfully completed the MUSOPT interview process;
  - i. Completed the Marshall University supplemental application; and
  - j. Paid the non-refundable seat deposit and Marshall University application fee.
3. All notices required under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given (i) if delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, or by (ii) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, to the following addresses:

Marshall University  
2847 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Huntington, WV 25705

Alderson Broaddus University  
101 College Hill Dr.  
Philippi, WV 26416

4. This Agreement may be terminated upon six (6) months written notice to the other party. Provided that, any Student who has entered the program will be permitted to finish the program.

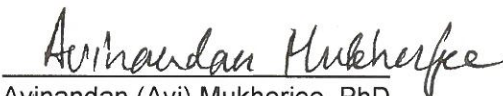
5. This Agreement may be immediately terminated if either party loses their accreditation status or ceases doing business.
6. No provisions of this Agreement are intended, nor will be interpreted, to provide or create any third-party beneficiary rights or other rights of any kind.
7. This Agreement may not be assigned without the written consent of the other party.
8. This Agreement may be modified or amended upon mutual agreement of the parties.
9. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of West Virginia.
10. The Parties to this Agreement are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them.
11. The provisions of this Agreement are intended to bind the Parties as to each other and are not intended to and do not create rights in any other person or confer upon any other person any benefits, rights or remedies, and no person is or is intended to be a third-party beneficiary of any of the provisions of this Agreement.



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