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February 9, 2018

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan President SACS Commission on Colleges 1866 Southern Lane Decatur, GA 30033

> Re: Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Dual Enrollment Agreement

Dear Belle,

Please find attached a Memorandum of Understanding outlining an agreement between The University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK) and Pellissippi State Community College (PSCC), to offer dual enrollment for full-time PSCC students to enroll in UTK's ROTC classes, effective July 1, 2018.

Please contact me with any questions you may have regarding this agreement.

Sincerely,

Heather G. Hartman SACS COC Liaison

Attachment

Cc: Dr. L. Anthony Wise, Jr., President, Pellissippi State Community College

Dr. Beth Norton, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs, PSCC

Dr. Kane M. Barker, Dean, Natural & Behavioral Sciences, PSCC

Dr. John Zomchick, Interim Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor, UTK

Dr. Robert J. Hinde, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, UTK

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Dual Enrollment Program
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
and
Pellissippi State Community College

### **Executive Summary**

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UT) and Pellissippi State Community College (PSCC) agree to establish a dual enrollment program for full-time PSCC students (including participants in the existing Volunteer Bridge program) who desire to enroll in UT classes offered through UT's Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) office. Courses will be transcripted for credit at UT and will transfer to PSCC as lower-division electives.

# Program Rationale

This agreement allows PSCC students to take, at UT, up to nine lower-division Military Science and Leadership and/or Air Force and Aerospace Studies courses that are not currently offered at PSCC, for a total of 9-12 semester credit hours, and allows students to apply these courses to the degree program they are enrolled in at PSCC. Students register at PSCC for the UT courses that will be counted as part of the full enrollment requirement for financial aid purposes. PSCC has examined the UT courses to ensure they meet the requirements of its programs. The PSCC catalog will be revised to show courses to be taken at UT and counted toward the PSCC degree.

#### Admission and Registration

PSCC students who desire to enroll in fall semester ROTC classes at UT will contact UT's ROTC office in July. PSCC students who desire to enroll in spring or summer semester ROTC classes at UT will contact UT's ROTC office in October.

If a PSCC student who desires to enroll in ROTC classes at UT is a Volunteer Bridge participant, UT's ROTC office will ask the UT Bridge program director to approve the student's enrollment in UT ROTC classes.

UT's ROTC office will send to the UT Office of Enrollment Management, the UT Office of the University Registrar, and the UT Bursar's Office a list of all approved Bridge students, and all non-Bridge students, who intend to enroll in ROTC classes at UT two weeks prior to the start of classes, Staff members in the Office of Enrollment Management will, if necessary, arrange for these students to be admitted to UT as transient students and entered into UT's student information system. The Office of Enrollment Management will send a list of the students' UT ID numbers to the Office of the University Registrar, to UT's ROTC office, and to UT's Vice Provost for Academic Affairs. Staff members in the Office of the University Registrar will register the students for the appropriate classes.

UT's ROTC office will send to the UT Bursar a list of the non-Bridge students who are enrolled in ROTC classes. The UT Bursar will establish a deferred payment plan for these students.

UT's Vice Provost for Academic Affairs will send to PSCC Vice President of Academic Affairs a list of the students enrolled in UT's ROTC classes with their ROTC class registrations. The deadline for this communication to occur is within 10 business days of the start of classes at UT.

# Qualified Faculty

PSCC agrees with UT's credentialing of faculty teaching in the ROTC program, and accepts the course content and teaching methodology as defined by the Department of Defense in its DOD Instruction 1215.08 Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Programs issuance, revised January 19, 2017.

(http://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/issuances/dodi/121508 dodi 2017.pdf)

#### Grading and Transcripting Credit

ROTC classes taken at UT by PSCC students will appear on a UT transcript for each student. Each course will be transcripted by UT in the manner in which the course appears in the UT Undergraduate Catalog. PSCC will request transcripts from UT to obtain copies of the grades earned by PSCC students. UT will notify PSCC if a student drops or withdraws below the required enrollment. ROTC classes taken at UT by PSCC students will be transcripted by PSCC as lower-division elective credit that can be used to satisfy requirements for an associate degree.

# Tuition, Billing, and Financial Aid

PSCC students enrolled in UT's ROTC classes will pay tuition and fees to UT for these classes, at UT's established per-hour rate for tuition and fees. ROTC classes taken at UT by PSCC students will count towards the students' full-time status at PSCC. PSCC will ensure that the courses are counted within financial aid guidelines.

#### Renewal, Termination, and Amendment

Continuation of this agreement is contingent upon assessment of the program and student learning by ROTC personnel.

This MOU is effective July 1, 2018, and shall remain in force for a period of five years from the date of the last signature. This MOU may be extended only with the written consent of both parties.

This MOU may be terminated by either party for any reason by giving written notice to the other party at least 180 days in advance of the stated termination date. Termination of this MOU shall not affect the current registrations of PSCC students enrolled in or registered for UT's ROTC classes on the termination date.

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Pellissippi State Community College

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Date