

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

Northeastern University



and

Fitchburg State University



This memorandum of understanding (MOU) is intended to act as a pipeline agreement between the College of Science Masters in Biotechnology Program at *Northeastern University* (herein after referred to as Northeastern) and *Fitchburg State University* (herein after referred to as Fitchburg State.) The proposal outlines benefits students would receive related to admission to the MS in Biotechnology graduate program at Northeastern. This MOU will be in effect from April 15, 2017 to April 16, 2018 at which time it will be reviewed and considered for renewal. Either party can request a renegotiation of this agreement.

Terms and Conditions:

1. Any student graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology or Chemistry from Fitchburg State University with a minimum grade-point average (GPA) of 3.2 will be eligible for admission directly into the Northeastern University College of Science MS in Biotechnology Program. Students seeking admission pursuant to this MOU must apply through Northeastern University's standard application system, providing an unofficial transcript at the time of application and an official transcript upon acceptance; however, a personal statement and letters of recommendation will NOT be required. The \$75 application fee will also be waived. Northeastern retains ultimate control and authority for its admissions decisions, and each such decision is made on a case-by-case basis.
2. Students from Fitchburg State with a GPA less than 3.2 are encouraged to apply through the College of Science traditional application process, and the application fee will be waived. No other application requirements will be waived.
3. A minimum of two seats per entry term (Fall or Spring) will be reserved for students from Fitchburg State.
4. Neither party will use the names, logos, trademarks or other intellectual property of the other without the prior expressed written consent of the other. Notwithstanding

the foregoing, Fitchburg State can use the name of Northeastern University when publicizing their undergraduate programs to potentially eligible students.

5. Both parties will comply with all academic regulations applicable to their respective students and operations.
6. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and may only be amended or extended in writing signed by the parties' duly authorized representatives. The parties enter into this agreement as independent contractors, and no other relationship is intended to or shall be construed to arise here from, including but not limited to employment, joint venture or partnership.

APPROVED BY:



Kenneth Henderson, Dean, College of Science
Northeastern University

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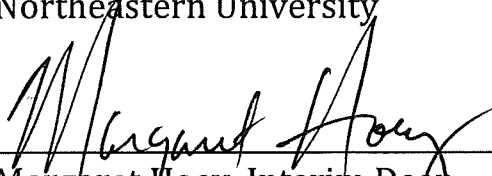
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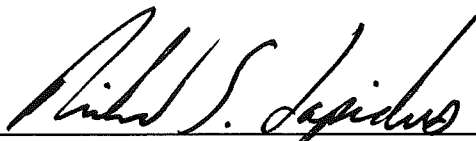
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