

# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**Between**

**North Dakota University System**

**and**

**North Dakota Department of Veteran Affairs**

## **INTRODUCTION**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) formally recognizes that North Dakota University System and North Dakota Veteran Affairs are educational partners, committed to providing greater educational opportunities and services for veterans pursuing their educational programs.

## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

The purpose of the agreement is for veterans who are located in state and out of state to have greater opportunities and services while attending universities and colleges in the state.

## **GENERAL UNDERSTANDINGS**

Accordingly, the parties agree to the following:

1. Appointment of a Military Affairs Council to address the issues veterans face when returning to academia
2. Provide college and university staff and faculty training on veterans who face re-integration issues or mental/behavior health challenges which can affect their performance in school, work, and relationships.
3. Create a standardized system that can evaluate and award credit for life experiences and military classes.
4. Actively market to out of state veterans to attend North Dakota universities and colleges.
5. Identify potential veterans as they apply for admissions and provide greater educational guidance.
6. Provide assistance to veterans attending ND colleges and universities as well as veterans and their dependents who may be eligible for various educational benefits.

## IMPLEMENTATION AND AGREEMENT REVIEW

The North Dakota University System and the North Dakota Department of Veteran Affairs shall be responsible for implementing this agreement and for identifying and incorporating changes in subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement. Either party may terminate this Memorandum with written notice to the other party.

The terms of this Memorandum of Understanding between the North Dakota University System and the North Dakota Department of Veteran Affairs are effective as of the date of final signature.

North Dakota University System

North Dakota Department of  
Veteran Affairs

  
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