MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

MARIA COLLEGE

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

AND

THE SAGE COLLEGES Master of Science in Forensic Mental Health

SEPTEMBER 2016

I. General Statement of Purpose

This document establishes a formal Memorandum of Understanding between Maria College Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree program and The Sage College's Master of Science in Forensic Mental Health graduate degree program.

The purpose is to facilitate the admission of qualified Maria College Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree recipients into The Sage College's Master of Science in Forensic Mental Health graduate degree program.

II. Requirements and Terms

- A. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above at the time of application to the graduate from the Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree.
- B. Students will receive a minimum grade of "C" or better on all required courses for the Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology at Maria College, resulting in a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. The exception, however, is that students who fail to earn a grade of B- or better in Statistics will have to retake the course as a B is required for admission.
- C. Students receiving a grade of B- or better in Research in the behavioral Sciences will be offered the opportunity to complete the online NIH tutorial on Human Subjects Training for which they will earn a certificate of completion. Upon submission of this certificate, the requirement of Sage's SOC 550 (but not the credits) will be waived. Students will replace the credits with an approved elective.
- D. Completion of the Bachelor of Science in Psychology at Maria College.
- E. Psychology majors meet prerequisites; For all others, 5 psychology courses are required, one from each cognate areas.

- F. Completion of the admissions application for The Sage College's Master of Science in Forensic Mental Health graduate degree program.
- G. Students will provide The Sage Colleges with a final transcript listing degree posted and cumulative GPA for the Bachelor of Science in Applied Psychology degree program.

Benefits and Advantages III.

- A. Admission to The Sage College's Master of Science in Forensic Mental Health for qualified Maria College students.
- B. To attract qualified students to both institutions who wish to pursue a Master's degree in Forensic Mental Health, which will prepare graduates to specialize in mental health and criminal justice, and to work with programs, services and planning and supervision of clients who have both mental health needs and criminal justice involvement.

IV. Review and Revision of this Memorandum of Understanding

This agreement will be reviewed every two years in January, starting with the year of inception. Should either party desire to terminate this agreement, notification will be given to the other party, in writing, not less than six months prior to the proposed date of termination.

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