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RE: External SSPPS Institution Coursework Transfer of Credit Policy – North American-Trained PharmD Program

Didactic or experiential coursework from other ACPE accredited nontraditional doctor of pharmacy programs will be considered on a case-by-case review basis by North American-Trained PharmD (NTPD) program faculty. The NTPD program will award no more than 12 transferable credit hours per student within the first semester the student is enrolled in the NTPD program.

In order to assure similar curricular standards, students wishing to transfer credit will provide to the Distance Degrees and Programs (DDP) office the name of the course from the original institution to be considered for transfer, as well as the name of the NTPD course for which they are seeking credit. It is in the student’s best interest, and their responsibility, to provide as much documentation of course content as possible. Due to the integrated nature of the NTPD program curriculum, it is unlikely the course will transfer as the course content needs to align one-to-one with the NTPD program curriculum.

In addition to the coursework information, students wishing to transfer coursework must meet the same academic and professional standards as those students currently in the NTPD program. Therefore:

- An official transcript from the originating program must be provided.
- Students must be in good academic standing and have a professional GPA of at least 2.0.
- Each course considered for transfer credit must have either:
  - A letter grade of C (73%) or higher (does NOT include C minus), or
  - A pass / fail grade. The student is responsible for submitting paperwork confirming the pass grade is equivalent to a letter grade of C (73%) or higher (does NOT include C minus).
- Any coursework considered for transfer credit must be completed no more than 3 years from the anticipated start date in the NTPD program, with the exception of coursework associated with PRDO 7240 Evidence Based Pharmacy Practice and the Pharmacokinetics units within PRDO 7700 Clinical Skills Foundations, which may be completed within 6 years from the anticipated start date in the NTPD program.

Students must also provide a completed NTPD admissions application form, along with a transfer evaluation fee of $120 per credit hour requested for transfer. Students must submit the total transfer evaluation fee in order for their coursework to be reviewed. All transfer evaluation fees are non-refundable, even if the NTPD program deems the coursework non-transferable.