

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO ARMY SROTC
AND
LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE - NURSING & HEALTH SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Lewis-Clark State College - Nursing & Health Sciences (NHS) guarantees BSN enrollment seats for two nursing cadets in each cohort to the University of Idaho Army SROTC.

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of this memorandum of understanding (MOU) is to guarantee enrollment status for two ROTC nursing cadets per school semester into the Lewis-Clark State College (LC State) Bachelor of Science in Nursing program (BSN). The intent is to meet the contract and commissioning requirements of the United States Army Cadet Command, University of Idaho (UI) Army SROTC.

2. UNDERSTANDINGS OF THE PARTIES: LC State will reserve two seats for qualified candidates into the Pre-licensure BSN program *per* semester (2x per year) to Army SROTC cadets.

3. GENERAL PROVISIONS:

a. Primary Point of Contact: Brigade Nurse Counselor (BNC), at 253-477-3575, usarmy.knox.usacc.list.bde-8-nurse@army.mil. Secondary Point of Contact: UI PMS

b. Entire Understanding: It is expressly understood and agreed that this MOU embodies the entire understanding between UI Army SROTC and LC State.

LC State will reserve two seats into the Pre-licensure BSN program *each fall and spring semester* for two qualified Army SROTC cadets. These reserved seats will not carry over into the subsequent semester. LC State BSN Advising, Admission, & Progression (BSN-AAP) Committee will review the prospects for qualification into the nursing program. LC State will accept the contracted cadets into the program if the students meet the minimum published academic standards, submit a verified NursingCAS application by the established priority deadline, and receive a minimum admission grid score of 60 points (out of 100).

UI Army SROTC and 8th BDE Nurse Counselor will identify the best candidates to utilize the reserved seats. UI Army SROTC will inform and coordinate with LC State's BSN-AAP chair of the chosen candidates prior to admission decisions (Oct 1 for spring semester and March 1 for fall semester). Nurse cadets who rank competitively (70 points or above) will not be considered part of the Army SROTC reserved seats. Qualified nurse Cadets must apply to the Pre-licensure BSN at the same time as all applicants to be considered for a reserved seat. Both parties agree that if the reserved seats are not filled by Army SROTC candidates, the remaining seats are to be filled by LC State BSN-AAP committee according to their selection process. The deadline to release unused reserved seats will be the end of the application semester.

c. Effective Date: This MOU takes effect School Year 2025-2026 and remains in effect until such time that either party withdraws. Either party may withdraw from this agreement at any

time for any reason. The withdrawing party must notify the other party in writing at least 60 days prior to the beginning of the next school year.

d. In the event of any dispute, controversy, or claim arising out of or relating to this agreement, including but not limited to the selection process, reserved program seats, or eligibility criteria, the parties agree to attempt to resolve the dispute through good faith negotiations. Either party may initiate negotiations by providing written notice to the other party outlining the nature of the dispute and the proposed resolution.

e. This MOU will be reviewed annually during a meeting with the Professor of Military Science, LC State NHS Division Chair, and BSN-AAP Chair. During the annual review, either party may withdraw in writing from the agreement.

f. Termination: Will only affect the enrollment of future nurse cadets and will not terminate the existing students enrolled in the nursing program.

g. Both parties will maintain a signed copy of this MOU. The original will be maintained at Headquarters. 8th Brigade SROTC, U.S. Army Cadet Command, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA.

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