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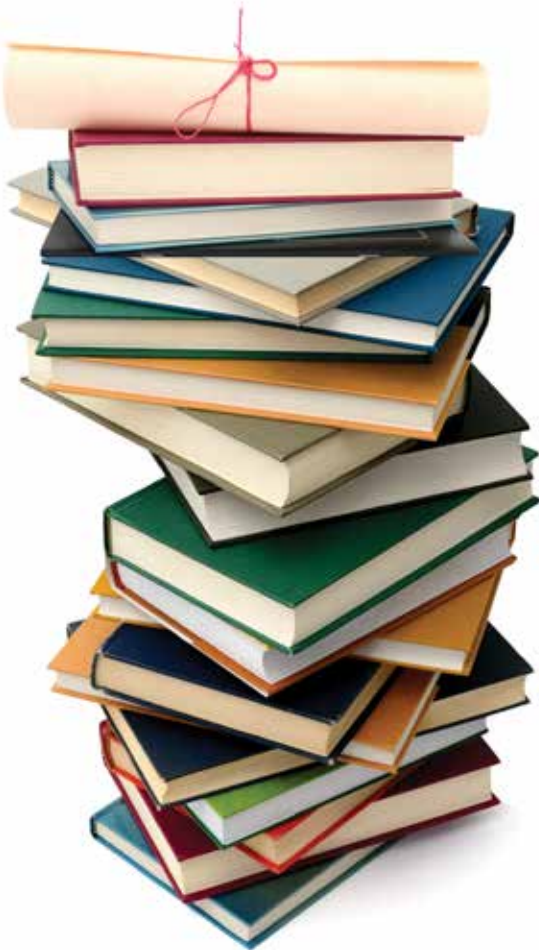
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DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMME

Obtain an Accredited American
Degree in Trinidad & Tobago

COLLABORATION



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN AND ANDREWS UNIVERSITY IN MICHIGAN (USA) COLLABORATE TO OFFER DUAL DEGREES

The University of the Southern Caribbean will now be offering dual degrees through a Collaborative Agreement with Andrews University in Michigan, USA. Under this new agreement, USC students will now be able to pursue two degrees over a four - five year period at USC. Andrews is offering the Liberal Arts Degree with emphasis in a specific subject area. For example, a student may study for a B.S. Liberal Arts & Science Degree with an emphasis in Psychology, the B.S. Liberal Arts & Science Degree with an emphasis in Biology or the B.A. Liberal Arts Degree with an emphasis in English. With effect from January 2014, students can now complete the USC and AU degrees at the same time.



1. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DUAL DEGREES

The General Degree Requirements for the dual degrees are that the students must complete between 55 – 64 General Education credits, 30 credits for the area of Emphasis and between 30 – 39 credits for General Electives. Under this arrangement, the student will have a more rounded education since the Andrews University Degree will provide the breadth of the University experience by allowing students to choose from a wide range of courses, while the USC Degree will afford students the depth in their major subject area.

2. DEGREES OFFERED ON THE DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMME

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance

Bachelor of Business Administration in Management

Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing

Bachelor of Science in Economics

Bachelor of Science in Accounting

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

Bachelor of Arts in English

Bachelor of Arts in History

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Bachelor of Science in Biology

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Bachelor of Science in Sociology

Bachelor of Science in Social Work

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION

Bachelor of Arts in Theology

Bachelor of Arts in Religion

3. PERIOD OF STUDY

The number of credit hours for the award of the dual baccalaureate degree will not increase since the General Education courses and the General Electives will be taken from the existing courses of the USC Degree and will be mapped with courses in the Andrews University Degree. In addition, the courses for the Emphasis will be current Degree courses from Andrews University and 50% of these courses can be mapped with USC's courses numbered 300 or above. Students who have completed the first and second year at USC will be eligible for transfer credits. Therefore students can complete both degrees over the same time period.



4. ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION

Initially, students may apply to enter the Dual Degree Programme after completing 30 credits but no more than 65 credits. Juniors and Sophomores can therefore start the programme from January, 2014. Interested students are invited to apply online to Andrews University. Those who apply between October 14th-28th, 2013 will have the US\$50.00 application fee waived. Subsequently, students may apply for the Dual Degree after completing 30 semester credits as a USC student.

5. CROSS DISCIPLINES

This Dual Degree Programme will also allow students to choose an emphasis in another discipline from their USC major area of study. However, the period of study in such cases will be extended to satisfy the programme requirements for the additional area of emphasis.



6. BENEFITS OF THE DUAL DEGREE

While both degrees are fully accredited by the respective accrediting agencies, this USC/Andrews University Agreement will allow students to benefit from a more generalized education base while focusing on an area of specialization. With the Andrews' degree students will have the opportunity to access opportunities for higher education and career development in the USA and elsewhere, while the USC Degree will afford them a greater depth of knowledge and expertise in the area of specialization. Students will be awarded two degrees with two transcripts at the end of their course of study; a B.S. Degree in a specific area from the University of the Southern Caribbean and a B.S. Degree in Liberal Studies with a specific Emphasis from Andrews University. Students on the dual degree programme will have IDs from both universities and will have the opportunity to interact with Professors from AU and USC and they will also have access to the extensive library materials and other resources at AU.

7. SATELLITE SITES & EXTENSIONS

Students from the Satellite Sites and Extension Campuses (Antigua, St. Lucia, Guyana, Barbados, Tobago & San Fernando) are required to complete the first year at the Site/Extension and can then become eligible to join the dual degree programme in their second year on the Main Campus. Dual Degrees are only offered on the Main Campus in Maracas Valley, Trinidad.



8. STUDY ABROAD

Outstanding students with a GPA of 3.50 or above will have the option to study at Andrews University for one semester during their second or third year. This arrangement will be organized by the respective schools. During this study abroad semester students will pay their regular tuition and fees at USC and will be responsible for their own expenses of subsistence, travel and accommodation at Andrews University. Discounted rates for accommodation may be available from Andrews University.





9. COST

All USC students will continue to pay all required tuition and fees for their USC Degrees. These rates are published annually and are available from the Finance Office. In addition, students who apply and are accepted into the Dual Degree Programme will pay an additional Dual Degree fee of US\$4000 for the second degree. Fifty percent (50%) of this fee must be paid at the time of initial application for the Dual Degree. A further 25% must be paid after the completion of the 90 semester credits and the balance is to be paid before the completion of the Andrews University degree. The fee for the second degree covers matriculation, recording, monitoring, AU library access, and other costs associated with operating the Dual Degree Programme.

10. RESTRICTIONS

- i. USC will only offer Dual Degrees from existing degrees; no new degree programmes will be created under this agreement. Dual degrees will not be offered at the Masters level at this time.
- ii. Students who opt to have dual degrees with emphasis in another discipline will be required to complete an additional period of study.
- iii. Students cannot do double majors under this arrangement.



- iv. Students currently registered under the old 'Teach Out' arrangement with Andrews University cannot switch over to the dual degree programme or the Liberal Studies Degree.
- v. For further questions, please contact the Dual Degree Programme Coordinator, Office of the University Registrar, University of the Southern Caribbean. Email: barrett@usc.edu.tt Phone: 662-2241/2, Ext. 2204.
- vi. Assistance can be sought from the Student Advisement Centre to complete the application form/process.



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