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Salus University, Manhattan College Sign Agreement in Healthcare Education

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Elkins Park, Pa. — Salus University and Manhattan College have recently signed an articulation agreement creating a pathway for Manhattan College students to earn their master's degrees in occupational therapy.

Under the agreement, Salus will offer reserved seats to eligible Manhattan College students who successfully complete either a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree with a concentration in pre-occupational therapy and meet admissions criteria for the Salus Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MSOT) Program. An academic partnership program offered by Salus, students who gain admission into the University's 4+2 program will then be able to complete the MSOT degree program in two years.

"The MSOT program at Salus is exceptionally strong, as evidenced by the most recent class' 100 percent pass rate on the national board exam, an achievement that is a testament to

the Occupational Therapy program's faculty," said James Konopack, PhD, dean of the College of Health Sciences, Education and Rehabilitation (CHER) at Salus. "There are so many exciting things happening in the University's MSOT program, and we are thrilled to welcome Manhattan College students through this partnership to help them pursue their educational goals."

The University's MSOT degree program prepares graduates for careers in a variety of healthcare settings including direct care providers, consultants, educators, managers, researchers and advocates for both the profession and the patient. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the need for occupational therapists is expected to increase as the large baby-boomer generation ages, projecting a 16 percent job growth rate through 2029.

Salus partners with colleges and universities on a local, regional and national scale to offer specialized opportunities to students who want to accelerate their academic careers in health science.

For more information on the agreements or any of the University's academic partnerships, contact the Office of Admissions at 215.780.1305 or visit www.salus.edu/admissions.

About Salus University

Salus University, founded as the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1919, today is a diversified, globally recognized professional academic center of learning that offers a wide range of degree programs in the professions of Optometry, Audiology, Physician Assistant, Blindness and Low Vision Studies, Biomedicine, Occupational Therapy and Speech-Language Pathology. Salus operates four clinical facilities in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties that provide highly specialized vision, hearing and balance, speech-language pathology services and occupational therapy. The University has more than 1,200 students, and more than 14,000 alumni worldwide. For more information, please visit www.salus.edu.