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Salus University and Rosemont College Announce Nine New Degree Partnerships

Elkins Park, Pa. – Salus University and Rosemont College have signed nine articulation agreements designed to enhance the educational experiences of students through the academic collaboration.

The signing event was held on Thursday, January 31, at Rosemont College's Rotwitt Theater. Both Michael Mittelman, OD, president of Salus, and Sharon Latchaw Hirsh, PhD, president of Rosemont, took the time to address the audience with excitement of the new partnership.

"We're extremely excited to expand our collaboration with Rosemont College to offer their students opportunities in healthcare professions we have on our campus," said Dr. Mittelman. "This is something our students and faculty will greatly benefit from, given Rosemont's excellent reputation in the biological sciences. Entering into these types of partnerships and agreements will become even more essential as the health education landscape continues to change around us. Taking a proactive position such as this will help to ensure both Salus and Rosemont students have access to the very best programs possible."

These nine agreements are the first for the Salus and Rosemont relationship.

"We are thrilled to announce this partnership with Salus University," said Dr. Hirsh. "Our students are very successful in the sciences and these collaborations will enable them to enter exciting and growing fields across the healthcare spectrum after building a solid undergraduate foundation at Rosemont."

"The administration at Rosemont has been great to work with," said Monica Maisto, Director of Admissions for Salus. "They are open to innovative ways to help students achieve their educational professional goals and are committed to providing them with the opportunities to do so. Rosemont's commitment to its students alights nicely with our mission at Salus to 'advance integrated healthcare through innovative education, research and clinical services."

The majority of the agreements Salus has with other institutions guarantee an interview. Four of the five new agreements with Rosemont College guarantee reserved seats – making the articulation agreements even more desirable.

The agreements entered into are the following:

- 4+4 (four years undergraduate plus four years doctorate) Doctor of Optometry Program
- 3+4 (three years undergraduate plus four years doctorate) Doctor of Optometry Program
- 4+4 (four years undergraduate plus four years doctorate) Doctor of Audiology Program
- 4+2 (four years undergraduate plus two years masters) Masters of Occupational Therapy
 Program
- 4+2 (four years undergraduate plus two years masters) Masters of Medical Science Physician Assistant Program
- Master of Education, Blindness and Visual Impairment
- Master of Science, Low Vision Rehabilitation
- Master of Science, Orientation and Mobility
- Master of Science, Vision Rehabilitation Therapy

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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, Public Health, 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, and speech-language pathology services. The University has more than 1,200 students, and more than 14,000 alumni worldwide. For more information, please visit www.salus.edu. Salus is currently celebrating a century of the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, its founding school. For more information about the legacy, please visit www.salus.edu/centennial.

About Rosemont College

Founded in 1921 by the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, Rosemont College is a private, coeducational Catholic institution. Rosemont offers a comprehensive education through small group and experiential learning experiences while providing campus-wide academic, spiritual, and professional support. The college respects and embraces diversity and individuality and promotes students' lifelong success. For more information, visit www.rosemont.edu.