

# PALUMBO-DONAHUE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

## Educational Partnership Agreement between Bryn Athyn College and Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit

This agreement is made by and between Bryn Athyn College (hereinafter Bryn Athyn) and Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit, (hereinafter Duquesne), 600 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15282.

Duquesne and Bryn Athyn wish to create a linkage agreement (hereafter Agreement) that specifies a process for preferred conditional admission for current undergraduate Bryn Athyn students into select master's programs at Duquesne's Palumbo-Donahue School of Business prior to the conferral of a baccalaureate degree. The preferred conditional admission benefits will also be provided to Bryn Athyn graduates within the past five (5) years.

Qualified students and graduates from Bryn Athyn will be considered for preferred conditional admission to the following specified master's at Duquesne:

MBA- Sustainable Business Practices (MBA-SBP) Professional MBA Master of Science in Analytics and Information Management Master of Science in Supply Chain Management

### Admission Requirements

Bryn Athyn students will be required to meet the following admission criteria to be eligible for conditional admission to Duquesne:

- Earn at least a 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA.
- Achieve "senior level enrollment status" in the undergraduate program of study as defined by Bryn Athyn.
- Submit required admissions materials:
  - o A graduate Duquesne application.
  - o All required supporting documentation.

### Additional Admissions Considerations

- Bryn Athyn *business* students and graduates (within the past 5 years) with at least a 3.25 GPA will receive a GMAT/GRE waiver. Applicants not meeting waiver requirements must meet official GMAT/GRE test scores of 500/305, respectively.
- Bryn Athyn students and graduates (within the past 5 years) who successfully complete a *data science* minor at Bryn Athyn with at least a 3.25 GPA will receive a GMAT waiver for the Master of Science in Analytics & Information Management.

For Bryn Athyn students and graduates (from the last 5 years) desiring admission to the *Professional MBA*, a minimum grade of a B- is required in the following Bryn Athyn courses in order to waive the associated MBA fundamental course requirement:

Mathematics 130 and either Mathematics 330 or Computer Science/Mathematics 235	Introduction to Statistics <b>and</b> <b>either</b> Introduction to Probability Theory <b>or</b> Discrete Structures
Economics 132	Microeconomics
Business 141 <b>and</b> Business 142	Accounting I and Accounting II
Business 320	Financial Management

- Duquesne reserves the right to review each applicant's academic and professional qualifications and to make admissions decisions, in its sole discretion, independent of this agreement.
- For Bryn Athyn students and graduates (within the last 5 years) desiring admission to the *MBA-SBP program*, Duquesne will offer admitted students a scholarship of at least \$5,000. This amount may be re- evaluated as necessary, based on enrollment numbers and financial resources.
- If a Bryn Athyn student is awarded admission prior to conferral of his/her bachelor's degree, but their final cumulative GPA is below a 3.0 or they fail to complete the bachelor's degree requirements, Duquesne may withdraw the offer of admission.
- While not required, Bryn Athyn students and graduates (within the last 5 years) desiring admission to the *MS in Supply Chain Management* are encouraged to complete relevant internships in an area in or related to supply chain management prior to applying to the MS program.
- Bryn Athyn students are required to send Duquesne a final, official transcript showing degree conferral before matriculating.

## **Promoting this Agreement**

- Both institutions will work together to create digital and print materials that may be distributed to Bryn Athyn students. Final decisions about the creation of promotional materials will rest with Duquesne University. Any costs associated with the development of such promotional materials will be borne by Duquesne.
- Bryn Athyn agrees to promote the Agreement to eligible students through email blasts, print material and social media platforms. Any distribution of materials promoting this Agreement to Bryn Athyn students shall be subject to Duquesne's prior written approval.
- Bryn Athyn will permit Duquesne to offer a virtual information session each semester for Bryn Athyn students to promote the graduate programs identified in the Agreement. Bryn Athyn agrees to promote Duquesne's virtual information sessions using the following forms of digital media: email communication, web links, and social media. Digital media promoting these sessions will be developed by Duquesne University and approved by Bryn Athyn College.
- Bryn Athyn will display Duquesne's logo and link to Duquesne's graduate business programs on their articulation webpage. Duquesne will provide its logo, which will be used solely on this Bryn Athyn webpage, aligned to Duquesne's stylistic guidelines.

• Promotion of this Agreement will be an ongoing collaboration between Bryn Athyn and Duquesne throughout the life of this Agreement.

## <u>Term</u>

This agreement shall commence on *December 21, 2020*, and remain in effect until terminated by Agreement of the Parties in writing.

## **Termination**

Either Party may terminate this Agreement for any reason with thirty (30) days written notice to the other Party. However, Bryn Athyn students already admitted to Duquesne under this Agreement shall be permitted to complete their current course of study subject to the applicable terms of this Agreement.

### **Entire Agreement**

This Agreement contains the entire understanding with respect to the subject matter hereof and may not be amended except by a written agreement executed by the Bryn Athyn and Duquesne's authorized agent.

**Duquesne University** 

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Dean McFarlin, Ph.D. Dean, Palumbo-Donahue School of Business

December 14, 2020

Date

David J. Dausey, Ph.D. Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

December 15, 2020 Date **Bryn Athyn College** 

Wendy E. Closterman, Ph.D. Dean of Academics

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