DATE: 18 May 2001

TO: Dr. Roland Smith
    President, Office of the President

THRU: Dr. Glenda Walker
      Chair, Nursing Department

FROM: MAJ Michel J. W. Jimsen
      Chair, Military Science

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding for Partnership in Nursing Education with U.S. Army Cadet Command

Attached, as Tab A is a request from the Dept of Nursing and the Dept of Military Science applying for status as Partnership in Nursing Education between SFA and the U.S. Army Cadet Command.

This status will allow the Dept of Military Science to recruit and offer 4-year scholarships to high-quality nursing prospects as well as 2 and 3-year scholarships to current students.

At Tab B is a Memorandum from the U.S. Army Cadet Command approving this status and requesting Dr Smith's signature on the Memorandum of Understanding. The document will then be forwarded to Cadet Command for Major General Casey's signature.

Recommend approval and Dr Smith's signature on the Memorandum of Understanding.

If you have any questions please call me at 468-4505.
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY FOURTH REGION
UNITED STATES ARMY ROTC CADET COMMAND
STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY
P.O. BOX 13059
NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS 75962

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November 16, 2000

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, Fourth REGION (ROTC), U.S. ARMY
CADET COMMAND, ATTN: ATOD-ZA;
Fort Lewis WA 98433-9512

SUBJECT: FY01 Application for Partnership in Nursing
Education (PNE) Designation

1. The Stephen F. Austin State University Division of
Nursing and the Department of Military Science request
participation in the PNE program beginning School Year

2. The Division of Nursing meets the criteria for
acceptance as a PNE school. Both the Division of Nursing and
the Military Science Department believe that gaining the
status of Partnership in Nursing will be mutually
beneficial. High quality nursing students will be attracted
to the program through the ROTC program because of the
additional benefits of the PNE program.

3. The PMS and the Nursing Program"Director have reviewed a
copy of the sample MOU. The nursing program guarantees
acceptance of up to a maximum of 2 nurse cadets. These
individuals are guaranteed upper division progression if
they meet the academic acceptance requirements of the
university and nursing program.

4. The nursing program accrediting agencies and respective
accreditation expiration dates are: The National League for
Nursing until Spring 2005 and the Texas State Board for
Nursing Examiners accreditation was issued January 25, 2000.

5. The Division of Nursing is a baccalaureate program with a
curriculum that allows for planning for each individual with
different backgrounds, needs and interests. The curriculum
plan includes courses in general education, science, and the
humanities and a nursing core. Some clinical applications
allow for practice in areas of the student's interest. A
student requesting admission to the baccalaureate program
must meet the following criteria:

   a. Acceptance to the Stephen F. Austin State University.
b. Overall GPA of 2.5 in college work including transfer courses.
c. Science GPA of 2.75 in college work to include transfer courses.
d. Successful completion of the interview and testing process.
e. Completion of 63 prerequisite semester hours.
f. A total of 130 hours are required for graduation.

6. The NCLEX-RN pass rate for the past three years:

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7. Total number of students accepted into upper division (junior) status: SY99/00 - 40; SY 00/01 - 40. Students are admitted once per semester.


9. Status of Military Science (MS) credit in relationship to the nursing degree. Military Science Courses are given normal elective status in the nursing program and apply to the academic curriculum.

10. The Nurse Summer Training Program (NSTP) is accomplished by registering for Nursing 475, Special Problems Course, for 6 SH. Individual study guided through individual conferences with an assigned instructor may be a part of this.

11. Other incentives or challenges - Stephen F. Austin State University currently offers free dorm rooms to scholarship holders. The current cadre strength is believed adequate to accomplish the PNE workload.

12. Name and Address of University President: Dr. Roland K. Smith is currently serving as Interim President. His address is Stephen F. Austin State University, Office of the President, 1936 North Street, Nacogdoches Texas, 75962.

14. ROTC Department Fice Code is 003624 and template C.

15. Points of contact for this application are Dr. Glenda C. Walker (936) 468-1492 and Major Michel J. W. Jimerson (936) 468-4505.

DR. GLENGDA C. WALKER
Chair, Department of Nursing

MICHEL J. W. JIMERSON
Professor of Military Science
MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael J. W. Jimerson, Professor/Military Science

FROM: Dr. Glenda Walker, Director of Nursing

RE: Application for Partnership in Nursing Education

DATE: November 17, 2000

As per my conversation with Lt. Colonel Whitebread, the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the PNE designation is acceptable to me contingent upon approval by the Division of Nursing Curriculum Committee and the University General Council.
DATE: 25 October 2000

TO: Yvette Clark
    General Counsel

FROM: MAJ Michel J. W. Jimerson
      Chair, Military Science

SUBJECT: Review of Proposed Agreement

1. Dr Walker, the Chair of the Nursing Department, has asked me to forward this for legal review. Currently there is an agreement between the Departments of Military Science and Nursing to include 2 ROTC cadets who are qualified in each Nursing Class. Under this agreement the ROTC Department can offer 2-year scholarships to nursing students.

2. The Army ROTC Department proposes a new agreement that would elevate the relationship to a "Partnership In Nursing Education" status. The benefit to the ROTC and the SFA Nursing Departments is the ability to offer 4 year scholarships to incoming Nursing students with high qualifications. We would also be able to offer 3 and 2-year scholarships to qualified SFA students. The SFA Nursing School would be listed on the ROTC Website as a Partnership in Nursing school and thus gain additional exposure in this manner and other ROTC promotions. The new agreement would be effective upon the approval of the University and the Commanding General of Cadet Command.

3. I have attached at Tab A the memo from our higher headquarters which announces our ability to reach such an agreement along with explaining the process. At Tab B is the application that would be forwarded seeking this status. Tab C is an example of the Commanding General of Cadet Command announcement of the agreement and finally Tab D is the actually sample agreement between the University and Cadet Command.

4. Thank you for your assistance in evaluating this opportunity.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (936) 468-4505.
March 23, 2001

Office of the Chief of Staff

Dr. Roland K. Smith
Interim President
Stephen F. Austin State University
1936 North Street
Nacogdoches, Texas 75962

Dear Dr. Smith:

I am pleased to announce that Stephen F. Austin State University was approved to participate in the U.S. Army Cadet Command Partnership in Nursing Education (PNE) program.

In addition to this letter, your Professor of Military Science will present the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to you for signature and answer any questions you may have regarding the PNE program. Signing the MOU allows qualified School Year 2001-2002 High School Seniors to compete for available four-year nursing scholarships. As an added bonus, starting this fall in School Year 2001-2002, your freshmen and sophomores are eligible to compete for any available two- or three-year nursing scholarships in our Campus Based Scholarship Program adjustment pool.

I look forward to our future partnership in developing Stephen F. Austin State University graduates and Army Nurse Corps officers committed to making a difference to our nation.

Sincerely,

Paul L. English, Jr.
Colonel, U.S. Army
Chief of Staff
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
U.S. ARMY CADET COMMAND
AND
STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Stephen F. Austin State University as a U.S. Army Cadet Command Partnership in Nursing Education (PNE) Program

1. Purpose. To identify the responsibilities between the U.S. Army Cadet Command (hereafter Cadet Command) and Stephen F. Austin State University under the Partnership in Nursing Education (PNE) program.

2. Scope. Headquarters, Department of the Army approved the initiation of the "U.S. Army Cadet Command Partnership in Nursing Education" program in 1996. Participation in the PNE program is voluntary, and assists prospects and Army ROTC nursing cadets with academic progression and accession into upper division nursing programs.

3. Understandings and Agreements:

   a. Stephen F. Austin State University applicants and students who desire to participate in Army ROTC will be afforded an opportunity to apply and compete for 4-, 3- or 2-year nursing scholarships. The university and the Professor of Military Science will actively recruit qualified scholarship candidates.

   b. Stephen F. Austin State University will guarantee acceptance of up to a maximum of two (2) cadets into the nursing program, if they meet the academic acceptance requirements. Additionally, the university will guarantee acceptance of these cadets into the upper division nursing program as long as the nurse cadets maintain the established Army ROTC academic standards and meet all other nursing program upper division enrollment requirements identified in the school catalog. Stephen F. Austin State University will accept nurse cadets who request or are required to transfer into the nursing program, if these cadets meet the university’s and nursing program’s transfer criteria.
SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Stephen F. Austin State University as a U.S. Army Cadet Command Partnership in Nursing Education (PNE) Program

c. Stephen F. Austin State University will award academic credit for military science courses and the Nurse Summer Training Program.

d. Both parties agree that:

(1) This MOU takes effect in School Year 2001-2002 and remains in effect until such time that either party withdraws. Either party may withdraw from this agreement for any reason. The withdrawing party must notify the other party, in writing, at least 30 days prior to the beginning of the next school year. The effective date for terminating the MOU is the day before the beginning of the first school term of the following school year.

(2) This partnership will be reviewed yearly during Cadet Command's Annual Program Review. During the annual review either party may withdraw, in writing, from the agreement for any reason.

(3) Termination of this partnership only affects the enrollment of nurse cadets in future school years. In the event the partnership is terminated, Stephen F. Austin State University will honor the terms of the partnership until enrolled nurse cadets graduate. Cadet Command will not require the nurse cadets to transfer to another institution—unless forced to do so because of program closures or accreditation issues.

(4) Both parties will maintain a signed copy of this MOU. The original copy will be maintained at Headquarters, U.S. Army Cadet Command, Fort Monroe, VA.


DR. ROLAND K. SMITH  
Interim President  
Stephen F. Austin State University

JOHN T. D. CASEY  
Major General, U.S. Army Commanding General

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