



## SUPERVISED FIELDWORK AGREEMENT

Please check below all the applicable supervised fieldwork in which in your District will be participating with Brandman University Modesto Campus.

TEACHER EDUCATION

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SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY

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SCHOOL COUNSELING

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EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

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THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between Brandman University hereinafter called the "UNIVERSITY," and the Sylvan Union School District, hereinafter called "FIELDWORK SITE."

### I. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

- A. The UNIVERSITY will assure that the student shall have completed the necessary educational prerequisites, to be eligible for supervised fieldwork including proof of negative TB test current within one year of supervised fieldwork and issuance of finger print clearance.
- B. The UNIVERSITY shall designate a faculty or staff member to coordinate, consult, and collaborate with the classroom teacher or district designee of the FIELDWORK SITE, the activities of each student assigned to FIELDWORK SITE and student fieldwork experience.
- C. The UNIVERSITY shall complete periodic observations and/or evaluations of the student regarding his/her performance at the FIELDWORK SITE as per arrangement between the UNIVERSITY faculty or staff member and the FIELDWORK SITE supervisor.
- D. The UNIVERSITY may provide monetary compensation for services rendered by the FIELDWORK SITE in an amount not to exceed the actual cost of the services rendered by the FIELDWORK SITE per Appendix A.

### II. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FIELDWORK SITE

- A. The FIELDWORK SITE shall provide students with experiences with a student population that is diverse in terms of ethnicity, culture, language, socio-economics and/or special needs.
- B. The FIELDWORK SITE staff will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint by any participating student of unlawful discrimination or harassment at the FIELDWORK SITE or involving employees or agents of the FIELDWORK SITE, take prompt and effective remedial action when discrimination or harassment is found to have occurred, and promptly notify the UNIVERSITY of the existence and outcome of any complaint of harassment by, against, or involving any participating student.
- C. The FIELDWORK SITE staff will provide, upon request by any participating student, such reasonable accommodations at the FIELDWORK SITE as required by law in order to allow qualified disabled students to participate in the program.

- D. To provide for emergency health care of the student in case of accident at the expense of the student.
- E. To provide all participating students with a copy of the FIELDWORK SITE'S rules, regulations, policies, and procedures with which the students are expected to comply and notify the UNIVERSITY of any change in its personnel, operation, or policies which may affect the field education experience.
- F. Comply with all federal, state and local statutes and regulations applicable to the operation of the program, including without limitation, laws relating to the confidentiality of student records.
- G. The FIELDWORK SITE staff shall comply with APPENDIX B regarding the FIELDWORK SITE'S supervision of UNIVERSITY students.

### **III. THE PARTIES MUTUALLY AGREE**

- A. The FIELDWORK SITE shall provide field experiences in such schools or classes of the FIELDWORK SITE and under the direct supervision and instruction of such employees of the FIELDWORK SITE, as specified by the duly authorized representatives of the FIELDWORK SITE and the UNIVERSITY.
- B. The FIELDWORK SITE may, for good cause, refuse to accept for field experiences, or terminate the field experience assignment of any student of the UNIVERSITY assigned to the FIELDWORK SITE in writing. Prior to removal of a student, the FIELDWORK SITE shall consult with the UNIVERSITY about its concerns and proposed course of action. The UNIVERSITY may terminate the field experience assignment or student teaching assignment of any student of the UNIVERSITY at the FIELDWORK SITE at any time, and may do so if the FIELDWORK SITE so requests in writing with a statement of reasons why the FIELDWORK SITE desires to have the student withdrawn.
- C. Neither party shall discriminate in the assignment of students on the basis of race, color, disability, sex, religion, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, or any other basis prohibited by law.
- D. The UNIVERSITY agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the FIELDWORK SITE, its agents, and employees from and against all loss or expense (including costs and attorney fees) resulting from liability imposed by law upon the FIELDWORK SITE because of bodily injury to or death of any person or on account of damages to property, including loss of use thereof, arising out of or in connection with this Agreement and due or claimed to be due to the negligence of the UNIVERSITY, its agents, employees, or students.
- E. The FIELDWORK SITE agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and at the UNIVERSITY'S request, defend the UNIVERSITY, its agencies and employees from and against all loss or expenses (including costs and attorney fees) resulting from liability imposed by law upon the UNIVERSITY because of bodily injury to or death of any person or on account of damages to property, including loss of use thereof, arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, and due or claimed to be due to the negligence of the FIELDWORK SITE, its agents, or employees.
- F. The parties agree that the students are considered learners who are fulfilling specific requirements for field experiences as part of a degree and/or credential requirement. Therefore, regardless of the nature or extent of the acts performed by them, students are not to be considered employees or agents of either the UNIVERSITY or the FIELDWORK SITE for any purpose including Workers' Compensation or any other employee benefit programs. The students shall not be entitled to any monetary remuneration for services performed by them in the course of their training.

- G. The parties mutually agree each shall provide and maintain commercial general liability insurance or self-insurance acceptable to both parties in the minimum amounts of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 general aggregate and upon request shall furnish proof thereof in the form of a certificate of insurance within 30 days of the effective date of this Agreement. Each Certificate of Insurance shall specify that should any above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions.
- H. Both parties acknowledge they are independent contractors, and nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed to create an agency, joint venture, franchise or partnership relation between the parties and neither party shall so hold itself out. Neither party shall have the right to obligate or bind the other party in any manner whatsoever, and nothing contained in this Agreement shall give or is intended to give any right of any kind to third persons.
- I. Any failure of a party to enforce that party's right under any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed or act as a waiver of said party's subsequent right to enforce any provisions contained herein.
- J. Notices required or permitted to be provided under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed first class to the parties that signed this agreement and to the addresses below.

FIELDWORK SITE CONTACT INFORMATION:

Sylvan Union School District  
605 Sylvan Ave.  
Modesto, CA 95350  
Attn: Grace Fitch  
Phone: 209-574-5000 ext. 2200

UNIVERSITY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Brandman University  
16355 Laguna Canyon Road  
Irvine, CA 92618  
Attn: School of Education, Dean  
Fax: (800) 775-0128

- K. If any term or provision of this Agreement is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other term or provision, and this Agreement shall be interpreted as if such term or provision had never been contained in this Agreement.
- L. In the event of any material default under this Agreement, which default remains uncured for a period of twenty-one (21) days after receipt of written notice of such default, or in the event of the loss of WASC accreditation by the UNIVERSITY, this Agreement may be immediately terminated by the non-defaulting party.
- M. This Agreement fully supersedes any and all prior agreements or understandings between the parties or any of their respective affiliates with respect to the subject matter hereof. No change, modification, addition, amendment, or supplement to this Agreement shall be valid unless set forth in writing and signed and dated by both parties hereto subsequent to the execution of this Agreement.
- N. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California in effect at the time of the execution of this Agreement. Should either party institute legal action to enforce any obligation contained herein, it is agreed that the proper venue of such suit or action shall be Orange County, California.

#### IV. TERM AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- A. THE TERM of this Agreement shall be effective 7/1/2020 and shall continue in full force and effect through 7/1/2023. This Agreement may be renewed for one (1) additional term of the contract by mutual written consent of the parties.
- B. THIS AGREEMENT may be terminated by either the UNIVERSITY or the FIELDWORK SITE with or without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice provided that (subject to the other terms of this Agreement) all students performing fieldwork at the time of notice of termination are given the opportunity to complete their fieldwork at the Fieldwork Site.

#### SIGNATURES:

FIELDWORK SITE:      Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY:              Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 Name:      Phillip L. Doolittle  
                                 Title:      Executive Vice Chancellor of Finance and  
                                              Administration and Chief Financial Officer  
                                 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Appendix A  
Payment for Master Teachers for Teacher Education Fieldwork Only

**I. SPECIAL PROVISIONS – RATES and PAYMENTS**

- (a) \$ 200 Master Teacher stipend per eight (8) week session of full-time student teaching consisting of three to six (3-6) units for Multiple and Single Subject Credential candidates.
- (b) \$ 200 Master Teacher stipend per eight (8) week session of full-time student teaching consisting of three to six (3-6) units for Education Specialist Instruction Credential (Special Education) candidates.

METHOD OF PAYMENT: Stipend is to be paid directly to the Master Teacher.

In the event the assignment of a UNIVERSITY student is terminated by the UNIVERSITY and/or the FIELDWORK SITE for any reason after the student has been in student teaching and has been at the assignment for a minimum of two weeks, MASTER TEACHER shall receive payment for one assignment on account of each student as though there had been no termination of the assignment. Said payment is to exceed no more than six (6) units per session of terminated assignment. In the event the field experience of a UNIVERSITY student is terminated by the UNIVERSITY and/or the MASTER TEACHER for any reason after the student has been in the field experience for a minimum of two weeks, MASTER TEACHER shall receive payment for one assignment on account of each student as though there had been no termination of the assignment.

Within thirty (30) days following the close of each session or academic session of the UNIVERSITY, the MASTER TEACHER shall submit an invoice and I-9 form as provided and signed to them by the UNIVERSITY, to the UNIVERSITY for payment at the rate provided therein for all field experiences provided by the FIELDWORK SITE under and in accordance with this agreement during said session. This process may be altered according to individual districts procedures as to the manner in which the invoicing will proceed so long as the parties mutually agree to such alteration in advance.

**Appendix B**  
**Specific Supervision Requirements for Each Program**

**Teacher Education Fieldwork:**

- A. "Field Experience" as used herein and elsewhere in this agreement means active participation in the duties and function of classroom under the direct supervision and instruction of employees of the FIELDWORK SITE who hold valid teaching credentials issued by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, authorizing them to serve as classroom teachers in the schools or classes in which the field experience is provided, and have completed a minimum of three years successful teaching experience. "Student Teaching" is used herein and elsewhere in this agreement means participation in the duties and function of classroom teaching under the direct supervision and instruction of employees of the FIELDWORK SITE who hold valid, teaching credentials issued by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, authorizing them to serve as classroom teachers in the schools or classes in which the student teaching experience is provided, and have completed a minimum of three years successful teaching experience.
- B. The UNIVERSITY'S Teacher Education Policy provides that student teachers without emergency or substitute permits may not be asked by the school districts to serve and be paid for substitute teaching as, under California law, student teachers are not certificated personnel and as they require full-time supervision. Those holding substitute or emergency permits may substitute for their master teacher only (a maximum of four (4) days only); when s/he is ill; when it is determined by the principal that this is in the best interest of the students in the classroom as well as the candidate; after the first four weeks of the first assignment; and/or when the candidate is paid.
- C. "Session of Student Teaching," for Multiple Subject and Single Subject Credential candidates as used herein and elsewhere in this agreement is considered to be a full day of student teaching daily for five (5) days a week for a minimum of eight (8) weeks for elementary credential candidates (for this, the elementary credential candidate receives three to six (3-6) session units of practice teaching credit), and three periods a day for five (5) days a week for a minimum of eight (8) weeks for secondary credential candidates (for this, the secondary credential candidate receives three to six (3-6) session units of practice teaching credit).
- D. "Session of Student Teaching," for Education Specialist Instruction Credential (Special Education) candidates as used herein and elsewhere in this agreement is considered to be a full day of student teaching daily for five (5) days a week for a minimum of eight (8) weeks for elementary credential candidates (for this, the elementary credential candidate receives three to six (3-6) session units of practice teaching credit), and three periods a day for five (5) days a week for a minimum of eight (8) weeks for secondary credential candidates (for this, the secondary credential candidate receives three to six (3-6) session units of practice teaching credit).
- E. An assignment of a Multiple Subject and Single Subject Credential candidate of the UNIVERSITY to student teaching in classes of schools of the FIELDWORK SITE shall be for a two eight (8) week session as mutually agreed between the UNIVERSITY and FIELDWORK SITE.
- F. An assignment of an Education Specialist Instruction Credential (Special Education) candidate of the UNIVERSITY to student teaching in classes of schools of the FIELDWORK SITE shall be for a single eight (8) week session as mutually agreed between the UNIVERSITY and FIELDWORK SITE.
- G. The assignment of a UNIVERSITY student to field experiences and student teaching at FIELDWORK SITE shall be deemed to be effective for the purposes of this agreement as of the date the student presents to the proper FIELDWORK SITE officials the assignment papers or other documents provided by the UNIVERSITY effecting such assignment, but not earlier than the date of such assignment as shown on such card or other document.

### **School Counseling Fieldwork:**

- A. Provide an average of one (1) hour of individual or one-and-one-half (1.5) hours of small group supervision per week from an experienced school counselor with at least two years of professional experience.
- B. Provide opportunities for students to gain a broad range of experiences, including experiences in:
  - a. Personal and career assessments
  - b. Personal counseling experience in either an individual or group context
  - c. Experience in School-based programs serving parents and family members
  - d. Observing classroom instruction
  - e. Attending district and school based meetings
  - f. Mapping school-based community resources
  - g. The candidate is to perform, under supervision, the functions of school counselors in school counseling domains.
  - h. Participating in professional development activities.
  - i. Participating in individual or group supervision.
  - j. Learning about and using technology and information systems.
  - k. Learning about Individual differences and student diversity.
- C. The FIELDWORK SITE shall provide activities that occur across at minimum of two of four settings, including, (a) elementary, middle school or junior high, and (b) high school.
- D. The FIELDWORK SITE in collaboration with the UNIVERSITY will designate one school counselor who has at least two years experience in school counseling to serve as the primary supervisor. The student may also work with other experienced school counselors for specific activities. In no case shall any supervisor be assigned by the FIELDWORK SITE to provide concurrent supervision for more than two interns or students.
- E. The FIELDWORK SITE shall ensure that the student receives an average of one hour of individual or one and one-half hours of group face-to-face supervision per week, although more time may be needed, especially at the beginning of the FIELDWORK experience.
- F. The FIELDWORK SITE supervisor, in collaboration with the UNIVERSITY faculty, will complete at least one written evaluation of the student's performance near the end of each university session.
- G. The FIELDWORK SITE shall ensure that the student will be treated by the district as part of the professional staff and provided a supportive work environment, adequate supplies, counseling and test materials. In addition, it shall see that the student is encouraged to participate in district, SELPA, or county committees; and that he/she is provided release time as needed to attend professional development experiences or professional association meetings.

### **I. Specific Supervision Requirements School Psychology Fieldwork:**

- A. Provide an average of one (1) hour of individual or one-and-one-half (1.5) hours of small group supervision per week from an experienced school psychologist with at least two years of professional experience.
- B. Provide experiences with a diverse student population.
- C. Provide experiences with a variety of educational programs.
- D. Provide opportunities for students to gain a broad range of experiences, including experiences in:

- a. Data based decision making: Assessing and reevaluating individual pupils and their programs.
  - b. Collaboration and consultation with school personnel and participation on interdisciplinary teams.
  - c. Developing, implementing and evaluating academic and behavioral interventions.
  - d. Providing counseling and other mental health interventions.
  - e. Home, school, community collaboration: working with parents and community members.
  - f. Learning about, helping develop, or evaluating policy, practices and programs.
  - g. Participating in professional development activities.
  - h. Participating in individual or group supervision.
  - i. Learning about and using technology and information systems.
  - j. Learning about Individual differences and student diversity.
- E. The FIELDWORK SITE shall provide activities that occur across at minimum of two of four settings, including (a) preschool, (b) elementary, (c) middle school or junior high, and (d) high school.
- F. The FIELDWORK SITE in collaboration with the UNIVERSITY will designate one school psychologist who has at least two years experience in School Psychology to serve as the primary supervisor. The student may also work with other experienced school psychologists for specific activities. In no case shall any supervisor be assigned by the FIELDWORK SITE to provide concurrent supervision for more than two interns or students.
- G. The FIELDWORK SITE shall ensure that the student receives an average of one hour of individual or one and one-half hours of group face-to-face supervision per week, although more time may be needed, especially at the beginning of the FIELDWORK experience.
- H. The FIELDWORK SITE supervisor, in collaboration with the UNIVERSITY faculty, will complete at least one written evaluations of the student's performance near the end of each university session.
- I. The FIELDWORK SITE shall ensure that the student will be treated by the district as part of the professional staff and provided a supportive work environment, adequate supplies, counseling and test materials. In addition, it shall see that the student is encouraged to participate in district, SELPA, or county committees; and that he/she is provided release time as needed to attend professional development experiences or professional association meetings.

#### **School Administration:**

- A. The FIELDWORK SITE shall provide student with individual and/or small group supervision from an experienced school administrator.
- B. The FIELDWORK SITE shall ensure that the student receives an average of one hour of individual and/or one and one-half hours of group face-to-face supervision per week, although more time may be needed, especially at the beginning of the FIELDWORK experience.
- C. The FIELDWORK SITE supervisor, in collaboration with the UNIVERSITY faculty, will complete at least one written evaluation of the student's performance near the end of each university session.