



ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

Ferris State University
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS



Northwestern
Michigan
College

And

Northwestern Michigan College

THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Agreement") is entered into by Ferris State University, a Michigan constitutionally-created public institution of higher education, located in Big Rapids, Michigan 49307 (hereinafter "Ferris") and Northwestern Michigan College (hereinafter "NMC") on this 15th day of January, 2012.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Ferris is a Michigan public university with its main campus located in Big Rapids, Michigan, and offers Bachelor of Science degree programs within its College of Business (hereinafter the "Bachelors Program"); and,

WHEREAS, NMC is a Michigan community college with its main campus in Traverse City, Michigan, and offers transfer and occupational courses and associate degrees (hereinafter the "Associate Program"); and,

WHEREAS, the NMC Associate Program includes courses that may be applied toward the Ferris Bachelors Program; and,

WHEREAS, Ferris and NMC desire to collaborate to provide opportunities for continued education to students in the NMC Associate Program through the Ferris Bachelors Program;

AGREEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, the parties, desiring to articulate the nature of their collaboration, hereby agree to the terms listed below.

1. NMC students who have a cumulative grade point average of 2.35 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher, and have completed the Associate Program or have completed at least forty-eight (48) transferable credits from NMC, and have completed Math 111 or English 111 with a grade of C (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) or higher from NMC, or equivalent from another accredited institution, (hereinafter the "qualified student"), may apply to the Bachelors Program at Ferris.

- a. If the qualified student has completed the Associate Program from NMC and is admitted to Ferris for the Bachelors Program in a program outlined in a Transfer Guide, Ferris shall permit the qualified student to transfer all credits in the Associate Program toward the Bachelors Program, and apply those that are applicable, for those courses that the qualified student received a grade of C (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) or higher in the course. Although all courses that meet these guidelines will transfer, qualified students will be admitted to the Ferris Bachelors Program only if all program-specific requirements are met as defined in the current Transfer Guide for the specific Ferris program. Program-specific entrance requirements may include a GPA greater than 2.35.
- b. If the qualified student has earned at least 48 credits, but not been awarded an Associate Degree from NMC and is admitted to Ferris for the Bachelors Program in a program outlined in a Transfer Guide, Ferris shall permit the qualified student to transfer all credits in the Associate Program toward the Bachelors Program, and apply those that are applicable, for those courses that the qualified student received a grade of C (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) or higher in the course. Although all courses that meet these guidelines will transfer, qualified students will be admitted to the Ferris Bachelors Programs only if all program-specific requirements are met as defined in the current Transfer Guide for the specific Ferris program. Program-specific entrance requirements may include a GPA greater than 2.35.

2. Ferris and NMC establish their own admissions requirements and recognize and respect each other's autonomy in establishing such requirements. Although qualified students from NMC may meet the academic admissions requirements for the Ferris Bachelors Program, such qualified students may not be otherwise eligible for admission to Ferris. Ferris and NMC recognize that Ferris may refuse admission to any person who does not meet all admissions requirements set by Ferris.

3. Attached by reference hereto, and made a part hereof, is the program plan for the Bachelors Program (hereinafter the "Transfer Guide"), setting forth the Bachelors Program prerequisites, including the course equivalencies for the Ferris Bachelors Program and the NMC Associate Program that are the subject of transfer from NMC to Ferris by qualified students. The Transfer Guide is subject to programmatic review and periodic change by Ferris and NMC. Ferris and NMC will communicate regularly, but not less than once every year, regarding any required programmatic changes, and shall inform each other in writing of the impact of any programmatic changes on the Transfer Guide prior to the implementation of any programmatic changes.

4. Ferris and NMC anticipate offering courses, depending on enrollment, available facilities, and available faculty or instructors, at the Ferris Traverse City Regional Center, online, and/or mixed delivery.

5. This Agreement shall be for an initial term of three (3) years, and shall be automatically renewed for additional one (1) year terms for not more than an additional three (3) years, unless Ferris or NMC terminate this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, or unless either party is in material breach of any term in this Agreement. Ferris or NMC may terminate this Agreement by providing the other party with written notice, by first class mail, of the termination of the Agreement. The Agreement shall terminate not less than one

hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the termination notice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties. All students admitted under this agreement that have completed at least 30 credits at Ferris would have a maximum of one (1) calendar year to complete the Bachelors Program in which they were admitted to Ferris.

6. This Agreement is intended solely for the mutual benefit of the parties hereto, and there is no intention, express or otherwise, to create any rights or interests for any party or person other than Ferris and NMC. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no rights are intended to be created for any student, qualified student, as defined herein, parent or guardian of any student, or employer or prospective employer of any student.

7. No amendment or modification to this Agreement, including any amendment or modification of this paragraph, shall be effective unless the same is in writing and signed by the party to be charged.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year written in the preamble to this Agreement.



ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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We, the representatives of Ferris State University and Northwestern Michigan College, agree to the terms of this agreement, effective January 15, 2012.

Signatures

Ferris State University

David Eisler
President

Fritz Erickson
Provost and Vice President

Donald Green
Vice President
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David Nicol
Dean
College of Business

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Susan DeCamillis
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Bachelor of Science Computer Information Technology

Systems Administration & Security

Northwestern Michigan College – Transfer Guide

Computer Information Technology – Systems Administration & Security program is designed for students who want to work in the business world and give technical assistance to business' or organizations' computer systems & users. Individual business departments, corporations, or multi-national enterprises need professionals who can relate their technical skills by problem-solving computer systems issues within the business environment. The CIT-SAS curriculum provides you with a broad understanding of core business functions, computer support specialists skills, help-desk support skills, network and computer systems administration skills, and computer security skills. This curriculum prepares you for industry certifications such as, CompTIA's A+, Network+, Linux+, & Security+ certifications, and Microsoft's MCSA or MCTS certification. Entry-level positions include such jobs as: computer support specialists, help-desk technicians, network administrators, computer system administrators, and computer security specialists. Students must pass the CompTIA's A+ certification, and two of the following industry certifications (MCSA, MCITP, Network+, Linux+, Security+, CNA or CCNA) to graduate from the CIT program. Additional certifications are encouraged.

General Admission Criteria

To be admitted to this program you must have at least 48 transferable semester credit hours (2.0 or better) from an accredited college or university with a 2.5 GPA and credit for/or placement into ENG 111 or MTH 111. It is recommended the student pass the CompTIA's A+ certification.

Courses Requirements

Northwestern Michigan College

Communications Competence

COM 111 Public Speaking (COMM121).....4

ENG 111 English Composition (ENGL150).....4

ENG 112 English composition (ENGL250)4

Scientific Understanding

Scientific Understanding w/Lab.....4

Scientific Understanding ** 3-4

Quantitative Skills

MTH 111 Intermediate Algebra (MATH115).....4

Cultural Enrichment

PHL 202 Contemporary Ethical Dilemmas
(PHIL216).....3

Cultural Enrichment Electives***6

Social Awareness

ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics
(ECON201).....3

ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics
(ECON202).....3

Social Science Elective***.....3

Electives

General Education Elective++5

Business Core Courses

ACC 121 Accounting Principles I (ACCT201).....4

ACC 122 Accounting Principles II (ACCT202)4

MTH 131 Intro to Prob. and Stats (STQM260)3

BUS 261 Business Law I (BLAW321)3

MKT 201 Principles of Marketing (MKTG321).....3

MGT 241 Principles of Management (MGMT301).3

Computer Information System Major Core

CIT 156 A+ Certification Prep I (CITS150).....3

CIT 157 A+ Certification Prep II (CITS160).....3

CIT 213 Networking Technologies (CITS270).....4

CIT 215 Windows Server Environment (CITS255).3

CIT 240 Network Security Management (CITS320)3

CIT 242 Windows Client Administration
(CITS250).....2

CIT 246 Windows Server Infrastructure (CITS260)3

CIT 247 Windows Server Administration
(CITS360).....3

CIT 256 Linux Administration (CITS 280).....3

Directive Electives:

CHOOSE 9 CREDITS FROM NMC's CLASSES:

(See your FSU faculty advisor)

Total NMC Credits.....96-102

Ferris State University (Minimum 30 FSU hours)

Communications Competence

COMM336 Technical and Professional Comm.....3

ENGL 325 Advanced Writing for Business3

Business Core Courses

FINC 322 Financial Management 13

ISYS 321 Business Information Systems.....3

MGMT 370 Quality/Operations Management3

BUSN 499 Interdisciplinary Integrating experience 3

Computer Information Technology Major Core

CITS 380 Linux+ Administration3

PROJ 320 Project Management.....3

CITS 480 Security+ Administration3

CITS 491 CIT Internship##3

Total Ferris Credits 30

Minimum total credits required for graduation...126-132

++ Total of 48 General Education credits required for degree

**credits satisfied with MACRAO stamp

***Must satisfy Global Consciousness, & Race, Ethnicity, and Gender requirements w/out MACRAO

Not required if you have work experience in field, sub with FSU Dir Elective

For more information, call or visit us online.

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