ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Siena Heights University

And

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE
Technical Division

Siena Heights University, located at 1247 E. Siena Heights Drive, Adrian, MI 49221 and Northwestern Michigan College, located at 1701 E. Front St., Traverse City, MI 49686, believes that cooperative programs benefit the community, employers, and students in their regions. It allows smooth transition for students transferring between institutions and maximizes allowable transfer of credits. Therefore, Siena Heights University and Northwestern Michigan College are entering into the following agreement for articulation.

PRINCIPLES OF AGREEMENT

Siena Heights University (hereafter known as ‘Siena’) and Northwestern Michigan College – Technical Division (hereafter known as ‘NMC’) confirm the following points of agreement, to assure equal treatment of university/college and transfer students.

1. Siena agrees that if a student satisfactorily completes the Associate of Applied Science Degree from NMC (see p. 4 for the four specific technical programs) and presents the appropriate transcript documentation of such to the Registrar of Siena, he/she:

   a. Will receive full recognition of the associate degree and will have all credits applied toward the completion of the Bachelor of Applied Science. Students who hold an associate degree will be admitted as a junior or at junior level standing. Appropriate personnel at Siena will determine completion of liberal arts education requirements for the baccalaureate degree.

   b. Will be awarded a Bachelor of Applied Science after the appropriate personnel at Siena have determined that the requirements for the baccalaureate degree have been completed.

2. No time limit (years) shall be placed on the acceptance of credit transferable from NMC to Siena unless there is a specific policy limitation identified by Siena.

3. NMC students transferring to Siena will be treated the same as native Siena students of equal class standing when applying for financial aid & in the award & distribution of funds.

4. NMC students transferring to Siena will receive equal opportunity to pre-register for classes and have access to other student services on the same basis as native Siena students of equal class standing.
5. An informal review of programs will occur every two years for the purpose of sharing enrollment and graduation data of each partner program and updating information for students and staff.

6. This agreement will automatically renew unless personnel from NMC and Siena determine that a meeting is necessary to review and/or amend this agreement. Either institution may terminate this agreement at any time by written notice of at least 180 days in advance of the effective date of termination. This agreement will be reviewed every five years, or as needed. Students in progress will be permitted to complete their NMC program and then transfer.

7. Upon formal approval of this agreement, by the appropriate officials of the two institutions, ongoing joint advertisement and promotion will be developed by the appropriate representative at each institution. NMC agrees to include Siena with on-going communication to graduates and current students for recruitment into the BAS program.

8. Each party shall be separately responsible for compliance with all federal and state laws, including nondiscrimination laws. The contract term includes applicable sections of the Michigan Handicappers Civil Rights Act (Act 220 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being MCLA 37.1101 et seq.) and the Elliot-Larson Civil Rights Act (Act 453 of the Public Arts of 1976 as amended, being CMLA 37.2101 et seq.) and, in particular, the provision that illegal discrimination by either party may be considered a material breach of this agreement.

(Note: Students transferring without an Associate’s Degree will have credits evaluated on a course by course basis.)
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Authorize this agreement to become effective on 9/8/2016.

For Siena Heights University

J. Lee Johnson, Ph. D., CPA,
Senior VP Adm & Treasurer

Date 9-7-2016

Sr. Peg Albert, O.P., Ph. D.
President

Date 9/8/16

For Northwestern Michigan College

Ed Bailey,
Director, Technical Division

Date 8-12-16

Marguerite Cotto, Vice President for
Lifelong and Professional Learning

Date 8/20/2016
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Northwestern Michigan College
*Associate of Applied Science Degree*
  Automotive Service Technology
  Engineering Technology
  Manufacturing Technology
  Renewable Energy Technology

Siena Heights University
*Bachelor of Applied Science*
  Automotive Technology*
  Industrial Technology*
  Industrial Technology*
  Construction Technology*
  *General Technology can apply as an alternate option

ARTICULATED PROGRAMS AT SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY
Candidates for the Bachelor of Applied Science are expected to have successfully completed an Associate in Applied Science degree program from NMC. Candidates with an associate degree are required to present an official transcript verifying this degree and major to Siena. The completed Associate in Applied Science degree will be accepted in total by Siena.

SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
- The Siena baccalaureate degree requires at least 120 semester hours for completion.
- Thirty (30) semester hours must be earned at Siena.
- Thirty (30) semester hours must be earned at the Junior/senior level (300/400). Fifteen (15) must be at Siena.
- The cumulative grade point average must be at 2.0 or better for the degree.
- Up to ninety (90) semester hours of credit may be applied to a Siena baccalaureate degree. This includes six (6) credits in developmental classes, and any prior learning credit earned within the degree at NMC.
- Courses with the grade of C (2.0) and above will transfer to Siena. The grade of D will transfer provided that grade was earned within a degree completed at NMC.
- Students must fulfill all Siena liberal arts requirements and must demonstrate proficiency in English and mathematics.

SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
Based on 60+ semester hours of transfer. These specific NMC courses/requirements can be transferred to Siena.
1. ENG 111 and ENG 112 NMC (C or 2.00 grade, or higher) 6
2. MTH 131, 140, 141, 142, 241, or 251 3-4
   OR
   4-hour Laboratory Science
3. Social Science or Fine & Performing Arts 3

Liberal Arts Requirements completed at Siena Heights University are below:
1. Philosophy or Religious Studies (300/400 level) course taken at Siena 3
2. LAS 301 The Adult Learner (C grade or higher) 3
3. LAS 401 Senior Seminar Integrative Experience (C grade or higher) 3
CONTACT INFORMATION FOR SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY
It is important to consult with an advisor to develop a specific bachelor degree completion plan and to identify all transferable learning experiences.

Completely Online and other Degree Completion Centers in Michigan
Those students interested in completing their baccalaureate degree in a totally on-line program, or at any other Siena site location in Michigan, should contact the Distance Learning Programs Office at 1-866-937-2748.

Adrian—Main Campus
Those students interested in completing their baccalaureate degree through a residential experience should contact the Adrian campus and the Coordinator of Transfer Services at 1-800-521-0009 extension 7185.

Please consult the university Web site for other locations: www.sienaheights.edu.

Siena Heights University is regionally accredited by The Higher Learning Commission.

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NOTES CONCERNING Siena’S DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM:
Siena offers over 40 majors and a number of baccalaureate degrees in the liberal arts and technology area. Siena does not offer all degrees and/or majors at all site locations. All Associate in Science, Associate in Arts, and Associate in Applied Science degrees granted by another college will be accepted as elective credit, and will be reviewed for acceptance into available baccalaureate programs and majors offered by Siena. All students that transfer to Siena with an Associate degree must complete all Siena General Degree Requirements, Liberal Arts Education Requirements, and complete an approved major offered by Siena.