Universal Articulation Agreement MOU

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) for and on behalf of Arizona State University ("ASU") and The District Board of Trustees of Broward College, Florida (hereafter "Collaborating CC"). The purpose of this MOU is to document the parties’ agreement regarding their collaboration in facilitating a pathway for Collaborating CC’s students’ transfer to ASU. The benefits of this MOU for Collaborating CC’s students include:

✓ Guaranteed general admission to ASU and admission into major of choice if all requirements are satisfied* Some majors have additional or higher admission requirements.  
✓ Recommended transfer pathways to 400+ undergraduate majors
✓ MyPath2ASU™ assists in selecting classes to minimize loss of credit
✓ Direct access to transfer tools
✓ Access to ASU’s transfer specialists

Universal Articulation Description

ASU is a comprehensive public research university, measured not by whom it excludes, but by whom it includes and how they succeed; advancing research and discovery of public value; and assuming fundamental responsibility for the economic, social, cultural and overall health of the communities it serves.

Universal Articulation at Arizona State University gives students attending partnering community colleges access to ASU’s transfer tools, in order to help create a seamless transition to ASU and enable students to successfully complete their bachelor's degree.

The Universal Articulation tools assist in determining how a student's previously earned college credits will transfer into ASU majors. Students, along with the staff who support them, will have access to the Transfer Guide, ASU's transfer planning tool. This guide allows students to build MyPath2ASU™ which maps a transfer pathway to their desired ASU major from any domestic institution. By signing an agreement, students will track their progress and earn guaranteed admission to ASU and into a pathway major if all requirements are satisfied. 1 2 Some majors have additional requirements.

Transfer Guide tcg.asu.edu

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Universal Articulation Principles

The following guiding principles, which are based upon research and best practices, will guide the parties in their implementation of this MOU.

- Academic preparation is the single most important determinant of student success.
- Transfer students are encouraged to earn an associate’s prior to transfer.
- The Collaborating CC will work to ensure students are prepared to meet ASU admission requirements and complete appropriate lower division coursework based on the transfer pathway for the ASU major to which they intend to transfer.
- ASU will provide recommended pathways based on ASU major requirements and ASU determined course equivalencies.
- Recommended courses minimize loss of credit while preparing students for their desired major.
- For exclusively online bachelor’s programs, tuition is dependent on the program rather than residency status and is charged by credit hour. ASU Online credit hour rates by program and tuition estimates can be found here: https://asuonline.asu.edu/what-it-costs/
- ASU will provide the Collaborating CC aggregate enrollment data.
- Marketing and Communication: ASU and Collaborating CC agree to identify their collaborative relationship on applicable websites subject to the terms of this MOU. Each party reserves the right to review in advance any marketing information or press releases that will be disseminated to students or the public about this collaborative relationship. Neither party will use any names, service marks, trademarks, trade names, logos or other identifying names, domain names or identifying marks of the other party ("Marks") for any reason, including online, advertising, promotional purposes, or any form of publicity, without the prior written permission of the party that owns the Marks in each instance. Use of any party’s Marks must comply with the owning party’s requirements, including using the ® indication of a registered trademark where applicable.
- Resolution of Issues: Faculty and staff of ASU and Collaborating CC will communicate with the respective key contacts set forth below regarding all matters pertinent to this collaborative relationship.
- This MOU does not create a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between the parties of any kind or nature. This MOU does not create any fiduciary or other obligation between the parties, except for those obligations expressly and specifically set forth herein.
- **Independent contractors:** The Parties shall be considered independent contractors and nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted to establish any relationship other than that of an independent contractor between the Parties and their respective employees, agents, subcontractors or assigns, during or after the term of the Agreement.
- Neither party shall have any right, power, or authority under this MOU to act as a legal representative of the other party, and neither party shall have any power or authority to obligate or bind the other or to make any representations, express or implied, on behalf of or in the name of the other in any manner or for any purpose whatsoever.
- Each party acknowledges that the relationship of the parties hereunder is non-exclusive.
- Either party may terminate this MOU upon 90 days advance written notice to the other party.
- **No Third-party beneficiaries:** The Parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third-party person or entity under this Agreement.
- **Amendments:** This Agreement may be amended only when reduced to writing and signed by both Parties.
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- **Sovereign immunity:** Each Party shall be responsible for its own acts of negligence. Nothing herein shall be construed or interpreted as (1) denying either Party any remedy or defense available to such Party under the laws of the State of Florida or the laws of the State of Arizona; (2) the consent of the State of Florida or the State of Arizona or its or their agents and agencies to be sued; or (3) a waiver of sovereign immunity of the State of Florida beyond the waiver provided in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes or a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State of Arizona beyond the waiver provided in Title 12, Chapter 7, Article 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes.

- **Non-discrimination:** The Parties to this Agreement shall not discriminate against any employee or participant regarding responsibilities and obligations under this Agreement because of race, age, religion, color, gender, national origin, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, or any other basis prohibited by law. Nor shall the Parties deny participation in or benefits arising out of this Agreement to any student, employee or participant or otherwise subject anyone to discrimination in any activity hereunder. The Parties shall take all measures necessary to effectuate these assurances.

- **Compliance with laws:** Each Party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

- **Assignment:** Neither Party to this Agreement shall assign, delegate or otherwise transfer its rights and obligations as set forth in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any attempted assignment in whole or in part to this Agreement in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

- **Entire agreement:** This Agreement states the entire understanding and agreement between the Parties and supersedes any and all written or oral representations, statements, negotiations, or agreements previously existing.

- **Binding effect:** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

### 75 Credit hour degree options for Universal Partners

- The following degrees and associated sub plans accept up to 75 credit hours of community college coursework upon successful completion of an Associate Degree from partnering community colleges: Interdisciplinary Studies, BA, Liberal Studies, BA and Organizational Leadership, BA.

- RN to BSN Options: students admitted to the BSN program online can pursue RN to BSN or Concurrent Enrollment Program. Up to 75 transfer credits from a regionally accredited associate degree nursing program may be accepted and applied to the online BSN program.

### Opportunities for future collaboration Maroon and Gold Partnership levels include:

- Transfer pathways based on ASU major requirements and approved by the partner institution.
- Student progress towards major requirements are tracked automatically via ASU tools.
- Shared data agreement including sign-up, enrollment, and two-way electronic transfer of transcript data (reverse transfer).
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Academic Alliances Universal Articulation Agreement, Vice Provost of Academic Alliances Cheryl Hyman. Please see specific contact information listed below.

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Signatures

To be agreed upon by college Chancellor, President or appointed designee. When either of the Parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by certified U.S. Mail. The Parties are responsible for notifying the other Party if there is a change of address or person(s) to be noticed. The Parties designate the following as the respective persons for receipt of notice:

Collaborating Community College
The District Board of Trustees of
Broward College, Florida

By: Jeffrey Nasse
Name: Jeffrey Nasse
Title: Provost & SVP Academic Affairs
Date: 7/19/2022

The Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Arizona State University

By: Nancy Gonzales
Name: Nancy Gonzales
Title: Executive Vice President and University Provost
Date: 8/22/2022

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**Functionality based on new technology and/or block chain technology not yet in production.  

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