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ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

Union Institute & University (UI&U)

And

Cincinnati State Technical & Community College (CSTCC)

Consistent with the philosophy and objective of Cincinnati State Technical & Community College to provide quality educational programs leading to the Associate of Arts, CSTCC enters into this Articulation Agreement with Union Institute & University in order to provide bachelor's level degree completion opportunities for their graduates. The primary purpose of the articulation Agreement is to offer graduates of CSTCC's Associate of Arts and Associate of Science programs seamless transfer opportunities for educational advancement to the bachelor's degree and to validate and facilitate the transfer of credit between the two institutions.

Cincinnati State Technical & Community College (Cincinnati, OH) is an accredited public college in Cincinnati, OH. Cincinnati State Technical & Community College offers many pathways by providing a balance of educational excellence and real-world experience. One pathway for CSTCC's learners is the open access programs which grant associate degrees in a variety of transfer and technical programs.

Union Institute & University (Cincinnati, OH) is an accredited, private, international university that has, since 1964, redefined higher education by placing learners at the center of their own education. Union has administrative headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio and currently enrolls approximately 1700 learners from 46 states and more than 10 countries worldwide.

Both institutions are accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (30 North LaSalle St., #2400, Chicago, IL 60602). Both are licensed by the Ohio Board of Regents.

Union Institute & University and Cincinnati State Technical & Community College seek to demonstrate leadership within the regional and national higher education distance learning communities by removing barriers to transferability for students and their credits.

Therefore, effective July 1, 2008, Union Institute & University and Cincinnati State Technical & Community College agree to the following:

1. Union Institute & University will cooperate with Cincinnati State Technical & Community College to facilitate the transfer of students and to provide them accurate information concerning program requirements. The Articulation Agreement will be reviewed every year in June and whenever major academic changes occur. Each institution agrees to timely notification of the other when any academic changes occur. Both institutions will monitor the continual development of curriculum and work cooperatively to adjust curriculum content and course sequencing as needed.
2. All Cincinnati State Technical & Community College's Associate of Arts and Associate of Science students may transfer appropriate course work from the Associate's degree toward the BA or BS degree requirements at Union Institute & University. UI&U credit awards are converted to the semester credit equivalent.

Associate of Arts or Associate of Science students may transfer coursework earned with a grade of "C" or better (on a 4.0 grade point scale) and receive a minimum of 90 quarter credits (60 semester credits) towards the bachelor's degree requirement at Union Institute & University. Additional credits will be awarded for successful completion of applicable courses at CSTCC.

3. Every effort will be made to see that Cincinnati State Technical & Community College transfer students receive favorable consideration in the transfer of the course work and that the courses they need to complete their studies will be made accessible to them every semester. Cincinnati State Technical & Community College will, in turn, support the Articulation Agreement between the two institutions by communicating the degree opportunities available through UI&U to both its current and former students.
4. Cincinnati State Technical & Community College students transferring to Union Institute & University will be governed by Union Institute & University catalog policies in effect once they apply for admission at UI&U.
5. Cincinnati State Technical & Community College Associate of Arts graduates will receive guaranteed admission to Union Institute & University's undergraduate degree program upon completion of
 - the Application for Admissions form

- the receipt of all official transcripts from Cincinnati State Technical and Community College as well as any other college/university attended.

In order to provide a more seamless transition into the baccalaureate program, Union Institute & University will also waive the following:

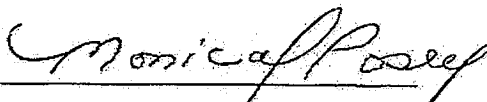
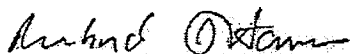
- the \$35 application for admissions fee
 - the application narrative essay
6. At the end of each academic year, the Registrar at Union Institute & University will provide appropriate tracking information about Cincinnati State Technical & Community College graduates to the Vice President of Academic Affairs.
 7. CSTCC graduates who transfer into the Union Institute & University undergraduate program will receive a 10% discount on the tuition rate.
 8. CSTCC graduates who transfer into the Union Institute & University undergraduate program will receive a tuition scholarship for the last four credits on condition that they maintain continuous enrollment in good standing with UI&U.

This Articulation Agreement will remain in effect until modification or termination is sought by Union Institute & University or Cincinnati State Community and Technical College. Written notice will be required one year prior to an intended termination.

This agreement will become effective on July 1, 2008 as authorized by the signatures below.

Union Institute & University

Cincinnati State Technical
& Community College



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