

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN STRAYER UNIVERSITY
ASSOCIATE TO BACHELOR'S PROGRAM
AND
KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM**

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose

This articulation agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between Strayer University (SU) and Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS). **This agreement applies only to students who complete the associate's degree.**

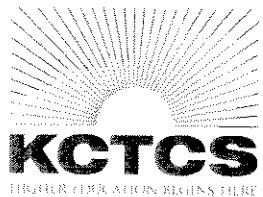
B. Accreditation Status and Approval

1. The Middle States Commission on Higher Education accredits SU.
2. The Kentucky Council on Post-Secondary Education to offer programs in Kentucky licenses SU.
3. SU is also licensed by the following states to offer programs:
Alabama, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and the District of Columbia.
4. SU is approved for the education of veterans, members of selective reserve, and their dependents; and for the rehabilitation training of handicapped students.
5. It is authorized by the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice to accept international students.
6. SU is a member of the Service members Opportunity Colleges (SOC) and participates in the Associate and Bachelor Degree Programs for active duty personnel.
7. SU was selected as one of the 150 universities to participate in Go Army Ed out of the 2000 universities the Army currently does business with. It is a one stop location for managing college education and using Tuition Assistance (T/A)T/A benefits.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admissions Practices

1. SU will accept applications from students who wish to transfer from KCTCS into any related baccalaureate degree program at SU.
2. Transferring KCTCS applicants must meet the same admissions criteria as other students applying for transfer to SU.



3. KCTCS students who graduate with an associate's degree, are applying to a related degree program at SU, and have a KCTCS cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 are guaranteed admission to SU. Once admitted, students are subject to all other policies and procedures, including residency requirement of SU, as outlined in the SU catalog. Students who have questions may consult a counselor and/or advisor at either institution for assistance.
4. KCTCS students, who have completed or will complete an associate's degree by the time they enroll in classes at SU, will be exempted from paying the SU application fee.

B. Acceptance and Application of Credits

1. The maximum number of transfer credits accepted from an institution granting a 2-year degree will be equal to 126 quarter credit hours or 84 semester credit hours. Under this agreement, all courses required to complete the specific related associate's degree program from an articulated school will be articulated into the bachelor's program in their entirety.
2. Students from two-year institutions where we have articulation agreements will have their entire degree program transferred in, including "C- and D" grades, allowing the student to complete their related degree program at Strayer University in about two years of full-time study.
3. Students completing an AA or AS at KCTCS will be considered to have met all lower division general education requirements at Strayer University.
4. If a student does not have the prerequisite for a 300 or 400 level course at SU, the students may be required to take the prerequisite courses to earn upper division credit.
5. SU will evaluate courses/credits earned through Advanced Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), or other testing programs. SU also will evaluate courses/credits earned at other institutions. Students seeking credit for these courses must provide the university with official transcripts for evaluation.
6. Prior Learning Activity and other life experiences credits already evaluated as part of the associate's degree program will be brought in with the degree.

C. Tuition and Financial Aid/Scholarship

1. Tuition and fees for SU for KCTCS students will be the same as for all SU students as listed in the current catalog. Students enrolled in off-campus or Online courses are assessed tuition and fees at the same rates for on-campus courses.
2. Many financial assistance programs are available to eligible students. Possible sources of funding include Federal grants and loans, private loans, payment plans and academic scholarships. Additionally, the University offers as an alternative to federal loan programs, students are eligible, subject to credit approval, for low-cost, flexible loans through Sallie Mae's Signature Student Loan program designed for Strayer University.

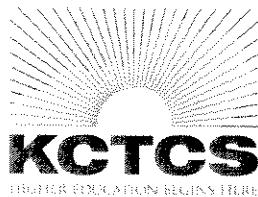
3. Any scholarships or tuition discounts offered by SU in the future to two-year college articulated students will automatically be considered part of this agreement. They would apply from date of implementation forward and would not apply to students already enrolled at SU from the articulated college.
4. SU also offers military scholarships for active duty military personnel.

D. Responsibility of SU

1. SU advisors will encourage the completion of the associate's degree. The provisions of this agreement will apply only to students who complete their associate's degree program.
2. SU agrees to not solicit KCTCS students to transfer to SU before those students obtain their Associate's degree.
3. SU advisors will be available to KCTCS students, staff and faculty immediately upon implementation of this agreement.
4. Review of agreement annually and/or as needed.
5. SU will designate an individual(s) to serve as liaison for the purposes of monitoring this agreement, building the relationship and answering any questions of KCTCS student, faculty and staff.
6. SU will provide updated catalogs and other material immediately upon their availability.
7. SU will promote the agreement through print material, web sites specifically designed for KCTCS students and special mailings where appropriate.

E. Responsibility of KCTCS

1. KCTCS colleges will allow access to their campuses of designated SU personnel for the purposes of recruitment at times and events that are deemed appropriate by KCTCS colleges.
2. KCTCS colleges will place designated SU personnel on appropriate mailing lists for events etc.
3. KCTCS colleges will provide SU with their updated catalogs etc upon request.
4. KCTCS will review the agreement with SU on an annual basis and/or as needed basis.
5. KCTCS colleges will provide mailing lists of graduated students to the extent permitted by law.
6. KCTCS colleges will promote this agreement appropriately in their respective promotional materials and web sites.
7. KCTCS will designate an individual(s) to serve as liaison for the purposes of monitoring this agreement.



F. Joint Responsibility

In carrying out their roles in the Associate's to Bachelor's Program, both SU and KCTCS agree to the following:

1. Provide direct links between their institutional websites, indicating the existence of this MOU.
2. Make available official lists of programs for which articulation agreements have been approved, by both KCTCS and SU will be made available at both institutions and on both institutions' websites.
3. Exchange data and documents that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of these transfer arrangements and promote effective cooperation between the two institutions. The institutions will exchange admissions, grades, and retention data in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws and U.S. Department of Education Guidelines.

G. Implementation of the Agreement

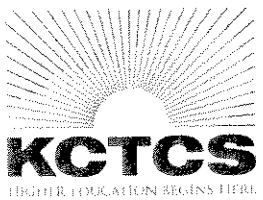
- I. This agreement will be considered in force when signed by both parties.
- II. This agreement may be amended, as necessary, for specific program articulation without affecting the master agreement.

H. Annual Evaluation

There will be an annual evaluation process of the program supported by this MOU. That evaluation will include representatives at the decision making level of both SU and KCTCS. Both parties may request a more frequent review in response to curricular changes and other institutional changes and conditions. The party initiating such change will communicate it in a timely manner to the other party. The information obtained from this evaluation will be used to improve the transfer process for the benefit of students.

I. Term and Modification

In the event that the SU determines that it will no longer offer the Bachelor's degree included in this agreement, SU will provide one-year notice of the termination of the degree program. Students enrolled in the program, either at KCTCS or SU will be given a reasonable amount of time to complete degree requirements.



J. Indemnification

SU shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend KCTCS from any and all liability, claims, demands and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) arising out of KCTCS' actions causing (a) damage to the property of the other or injuries to their employees, officers, directors or agents, or any other persons in connection with the provision of courses offered hereunder, except for such damages as are caused by the sole negligence of the indemnified party, its employees, officers, directors or agents, and (b) such damages or losses are caused by the other party in connection with any alleged inadequacy in class content, credits or official recognition.

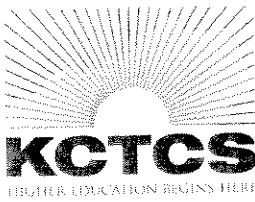
To the extent permitted under Kentucky law, KCTCS shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend SU from any and all liability, claims, demands and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) arising out of SU's actions causing (a) damage to the property of the other or injuries to their employees, officers, directors or agents, or any other persons in connection with the provision of courses offered hereunder, except for such damages as are caused by the sole negligence of the indemnified party, its employees, officers, directors or agents, and (b) such damages or losses are caused by the other party in connection with any alleged inadequacy in class content, credits or official recognition.

K. Limitation of Liability

Except for the specific remedies expressly identified as such in this MOU, the parties agree that their sole liability (whether in contract, tort, by statute or otherwise) for any claim in any manner related to this MOU, shall be the payment of direct damages. In no event shall either party be liable for any consequential, incidental, indirect, special or punitive damages, loss or expenses (including but not limited to business interruption, lost business, lost profits or lost savings) even if it has been advised of their possible existence.

L. Dispute Resolution

In the event that SU and KCTCS are unable to resolve any disputes under this MOU, the matter in dispute shall be submitted to the American Arbitration Association (AAA) for binding resolution. Any dispute under this MOU shall be submitted to the AAA for binding resolution under the AAA's then existing Rules for Commercial Arbitration.



The parties agree that such arbitration shall be submitted to the AAA's Lexington office with the locale for arbitration being Lexington Kentucky. The arbitrator shall have the right to award damages, including attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party if the arbitrator deems such appropriate. The parties to this MOU waive their right to take action in any court of law or equity, with the exception of an action to enforce any arbitrator's award rendered as a result of binding arbitration initiated under this Agreement.

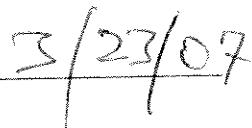
M. Summary

The intent of the Associate's to Bachelor's Program is to enhance the learning opportunities available to the students, alumni, faculty, and staff of KCTCS. Through this new venture, students will be able to capitalize on their rich experience at KCTCS and be able to earn a bachelor's degree without leaving their community.

III. Signature


Dr. Joel O. Nwagbaraocha
Interim President
Strayer University

Date


3/23/07


Dr. Keith W. Bird
Chancellor
Kentucky Community and Technical College System

Date


March 9, 07

Articulation Agreement – is a systematic, seamless transition process that maximizes use of resources and minimizes content duplication. They are established to assist students in taking the appropriate courses that will transfer for credit toward a bachelor's degree at the college or university of their choice.