

**Articulation Agreement
between
NATIONAL-LOUIS UNIVERSITY
and
NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this articulation agreement is to assist students at various levels of higher education to achieve their goals in an efficient and timely way. This purpose may be achieved through the coordination between **NATIONAL-LOUIS UNIVERSITY** and **NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE** of transfer policies, enhanced advising and acceptance of equivalent courses/credits.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admissions Practices

1. **National-Louis University (NLU)** accepts applications from students who wish to transfer from **Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC)** into any baccalaureate degree program at NLU. Transferring NVCC applicants must meet the same admissions criteria as for other students applying for transfer to **NLU**. The application fee is waived.
2. Students transferring from **NVCC** to specific **NLU** programs must meet the same prerequisites, grade point averages and other admission criteria, as for other native or transfer students applying to **NLU** programs.
3. **NVCC** students who graduate with an AA or AS degree, have earned at least 24 semester hours of transferable work at **NVCC**, and have a **NVCC** curriculum GPA of at least 2.5 are guaranteed admission to **National-Louis University**.
4. For the purposes of admission and credit recognition, the transfer grade point average is determined by a calculation that includes all **NVCC** courses and all attempts.

B. Acceptance and Application of Credits

1. General Education/Integrative Studies - students completing an AA or AS at **NVCC** will be considered to have met all lower division general education requirements at **NLU**.
2. Where course equivalencies exist for required courses and/or prerequisites, these courses will apply to **NLU** graduation requirements in the student's stated major field of study. If the

courses are taught at the 300 or 400 level at **NLU**, students will be required to take courses to earn upper division credit.

3. Courses/Credits in which grades of D (1.0) were earned usually are not acceptable in transfer.
4. **NLU** reserves the right to evaluate courses/credits earned through AP, CLEP, or other testing programs. **NLU** also reserves the right to evaluate courses/credits earned at other institutions.
5. **National-Louis University** will maintain course equivalency information.
6. Students transferring from **NVCC** will be required to complete a minimum of 34 semester hours (50 QH) of **NLU** coursework to be eligible for the **NLU** degree. Courses representing credits beyond the 93 semester hours (140 QH) allowed in transfer will be considered to have been completed under the general University transfer guidelines and will not have to be repeated at **NLU**. However, credits for those courses may not accompany the course.

C. Update/Report/Relationship

NLU and **NVCC** agree to review the agreement and relevant transfer course equivalencies annually. **NVCC** will designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purposes of monitoring this agreement. Each institution will provide updated catalogs to the other immediately upon their availability. **NLU** agrees to provide **NVCC** reports of enrolled **NVCC** transfer students, their majors and academic performance when 10 or more are enrolled in any given year.

D. Amendments and Term of Effect

1. The curriculum transfer guides in effect at the time a student first enrolls at **NVCC** will be honored by **NLU** if the student completes an AA or AS degree and successfully transfers to **NLU** within 4 years of that first enrollment at **NVCC**.
2. This agreement may be amended, as needed, for specific program articulation without affecting the currency of the master agreement. All course-by-course transfer guides may be amended as needed.
3. This master agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice will be effective only if given 180 days prior to the intended date of termination. In the event that this agreement is terminated, the terms of the agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum of 2 years.

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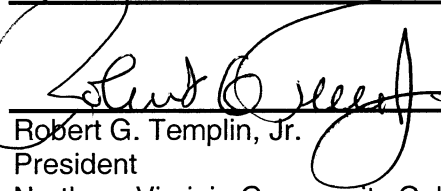
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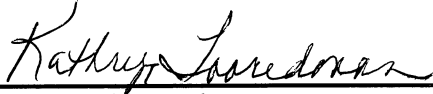
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