

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

AND

VALENCIA COLLEGE

I. COLUMBIA COLLEGE

Columbia College, a private, non-profit, coeducational institution, offers associate, bachelor's, and master's degrees that prepare students of differing backgrounds for entry-level or advance positions in various occupations and professions. Columbia College is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Students may enroll in day, evening, or online education classes at the home campus in Columbia, Missouri, or in its Adult Higher Education Division at one of the many Nationwide campuses.

II. TRANSFER OF CREDIT

A. Credit Hours

At least 39 hours must be taken at the upper level to receive a bachelor's degree; the remaining hours can be completed with Columbia College, Valencia College (if applicable), or other transfer work approved by Columbia College. Valencia College students must also complete a minimum of the 30 semester hours with Columbia College courses to satisfy the Columbia College residency requirement.

B. General Education

Columbia College will accept the Valencia College Associate in Arts degree as satisfying all of the Columbia College general education requirements.

Columbia College will accept the Associate in Science degree as satisfying all of the Columbia College general education requirements if the student completes the following coursework:

- ENC 1101 Freshman Composition I with a grade of "C" or better (or the equivalent Honors course)
- ENC 1102 Freshman Composition II with a grade of "C" or better (or the equivalent Honors course)
- At least 27 additional semester hours that meet the Columbia College requirements in the Arts and Humanities, Social and Behavioral Science and Mathematics and Natural Science areas with at least one course in each area.

C. Individual Courses

Transfer credits earned at Valencia College and other accredited institutions of higher education will be evaluated individually by the Columbia College Office of the Registrar. Columbia College will provide a Course Equivalency Guide to Valencia College academic advisors and administrators. Courses taken at Valencia College above developmental level, for which the student earned a grade of "C" or better, will be accepted for transfer to Columbia College, and will be granted the Columbia College equivalency listed on the Course Equivalency Guide provided.

D. Concurrent Enrollment

Students who complete an approved associate degree with Valencia College, at any time during their pursuit of a bachelor's degree with Columbia College, are eligible for the general education waiver. Students who complete any other associate degree with Valencia College, during their pursuit of a bachelor's degree with Columbia College, may complete additional course work to fulfill the general education requirements, outlined in Section B. Once all the general education waiver requirements are met and the associate degree is awarded, the student will be eligible for the general education waiver. Course work may be completed with Columbia College, Valencia College, or any other transfer credit accepted by the Columbia College Office of the Registrar.

III. COLUMBIA COLLEGE ADMISSION

Students who complete an associate degree from Valencia College will be considered as having met academic admissions requirements. Graduates of Valencia's Associates program will be admitted to Columbia's Bachelors program, and the application fee of \$35 will be waived for these Program students.

Columbia College will provide matriculation data to Valencia. Within one (1) year of the execution of this Agreement, Columbia shall provide the most recent annual report then available that includes the number of Valencia students that matriculate at Columbia and the program areas in which students matriculate to the Assistant Vice President of Curriculum and Assessment at Valencia. Columbia shall continually provide any additional reports that become available during the term of this Agreement to the Assistant Vice President of Curriculum and Assessment at Valencia as they become available.

IV. DURATION OF AGREEMENT

The agreement will be in effect for two (2) years from the last date signed or until either party issues a letter of intent to cancel the Agreement, with such notification affirmed at least sixty (60) days before the termination date. This Agreement may be extended or renewed upon written agreement of the Parties.

However, it is understood and agreed that any student participating in the Valencia degree programs identified in section B specifically tracked for admission to Columbia or already admitted to Columbia due to this Agreement will be allowed to complete the Program, notwithstanding the termination provisions above or revisions, so long as the student remains in

good academic standing and is making measured progress towards completion of a degree program. A student who satisfies these requirements will continue to receive the full benefits, privileges, and any scholarship(s) awarded pursuant to this Agreement, notwithstanding the termination of the Agreement or revisions, provided that the scholarship(s) was awarded prior to the date of the written notice of termination required by this section.

Valencia College students interested in continuing on to Columbia College following their degree completion at Valencia College are encouraged to enroll in the Associate to Bachelor's (A2B) Program with Columbia College. Students should enroll in the A2B Program while attending Valencia College (students must have at least one semester remaining at Valencia College to be eligible for the A2B Program).

V. REVISION OF AGREEMENT


Items not specifically mentioned within this Agreement will be governed by the Columbia College Catalog. Amendments and/or revisions to the Agreement may be made in writing at any time by mutual consent of all parties. Such amendments and/or revisions shall be prepared in the form of an Addendum Agreement. The procedure for approval of such addenda and/or revisions shall follow the same procedure employed in securing approval of all parties in the original cooperative agreement. Each of the parties shall work cooperatively to review and to update regularly specific items or operational procedures included in this Agreement.

VI. PUBLICITY

This Agreement will be publicized as a cooperative degree completion program for students of Valencia College. Through joint informational meetings and individual counseling by both institutions, both parties to this Agreement will be responsible for publicizing the terms of this Agreement to their students. Non-degree-seeking students will be subject to the policies and procedures of both institutions. All questions regarding policies and procedures of either institution will be answered by the designated representative of that institution and by reference to the current published Catalog or Bulletin of that institution.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

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President Date

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