

## **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

**Between**

**The District Board of Trustees of Valencia College, Florida**

**and**

**Montreat College**

This agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), as dated and signed in section §4, is between the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College, Florida (hereinafter referred to as "Valencia") and Montreat College, North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as "Montreat").

### **WHEREAS**

This Agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between Montreat and Valencia in which an undergraduate student will attain an Associate's in Arts (hereinafter referred to as an "A.A.") degree or an Associate of Science (hereinafter referred to as an "A.S.") degree (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Associate's") (see addendum for specific degrees) from Valencia and then transfer to a Bachelor of Arts (hereinafter referred to as a "B.A.") or a Bachelor of Science (hereinafter referred to as a "B.S.") program (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Bachelor's") at Montreat (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Program"). After completing the academic requirements of the two participating institutions, the students will have earned an Associate's degree from Valencia and a Bachelor's degree from Montreat.

### **§1. Program of Study**

§1.1 Participating students shall complete at Valencia:

- An Associate's degree (see Program Addendum Guide for related degree programs).

§1.2 Montreat shall accept up to 66 credit hours of transfer work toward the Bachelor's degree for all Valencia Associate's degree coursework completed with an overall grade point average of 2.0 or higher, and a minimum grade of C for all transferable coursework

§1.3 Courses designated within the general education component of the Valencia Associate's degree will fully transfer to fulfill the general education component of a Bachelor's degree program at Montreat, with the exception of the distinctive, mission-related courses of Montreat: BB101, BB102, IS200, and IS461.

§1.4 Participating students shall be required to complete at Montreat, a program of study, which equals a minimum of one hundred and twenty six (126) credit hours required of the degree being sought.

§1.5 The total Program shall satisfy all requirements for the Associate's degree sought at Valencia and the Bachelor's degree sought at Montreat.

§1.6 Graduates of Valencia's Associate's program will be admitted to Montreat's Bachelor's program, and the application fee will be waived for these Program students.

## **§2. Admission**

§2.1 Valencia is an open-admissions institution that assesses the holders of a high school diploma (or equivalent) wishing to enter the Program and places them into courses on the basis of their academic background and demonstrated experience in specific courses. Applicants are required to participate in the Valencia assessment program.

§2.2 To be admitted to Montreat in the Program a student must:

- Complete the program of study in § 1.1. Submit application materials for evaluation to the Admissions Office at Montreat; and meet the requirements for admission and be accepted.
- Attain the minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (2.0) and complete the Valencia Associate's degree (see Program Addendum Guide).

## **§3. Program Management and Reporting**

§3.1 So as to assure the admission and academic success of participating Program students, Montreat and Valencia agree to develop, maintain, and continuously improve a Program management and reporting system.

§3.2 Each institution will:

- Publicize the Agreement and Program among its students and faculty.
- Coordinate activities, monitor student progress, and evaluate and improve the Program.
- List the Program in the appropriate publications and Web sites of the institution.
- Exchange regularly updated copies of their general catalogs and any other publications, which may be helpful in advising students.
- Provide timely information about significant changes in the Program of study that relate to the preparation of participating students.
- Provide any other information that may be helpful with monitoring and supporting the academic success of participating Program students.
- Cooperate in an effort to update the Agreement on an annual basis

§3.3 Valencia will:

- Provide the opportunity for Montreat to participate in Valencia's annual College Night.
- Provide Montreat admission requirement information to all prospective Valencia-Montreat transfer students.

- Provide the opportunity for Montreat staff to make a 10-minute presentation at a Dean of Students staff meeting on each campus once a year.
- Grant Montreat the right to use the college's name and logo in writing for purposes of this agreement only and only upon prior approval by Valencia for each use.

§3.4 Montreat will:

- Provide an annual report to Valencia that includes the number of students that matriculate at Montreat and the Program areas in which students matriculate if the student gives permission.
- Give full consideration for any applicable scholarships or financial assistance resources by Montreat to students participating in the Program.

§3.5 Each institution will assess the Program annually in collaboration with participating faculty, advisors, and students to continuously improve the Program.

§3.6 Each institution will have a designee for Agreement oversight.

Montreat

Valencia

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**§4. Termination/Modification**

§4.1 This Agreement is subject to change or modification by mutual written consent between the parties hereto.

§4.2 This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party given at least thirty (30) days in advance of such termination date. It is understood and agreed that any student participating in the Program who is being tracked for admission into a specific Bachelor's Program or already admitted to Montreat under this Agreement will be allowed to complete the Program notwithstanding the termination provisions above, so long as the student remains in good academic standing and is making measured progress towards completion of a degree program.



## **PROGRAM ADDENDUM GUIDE**

The following programs at Valencia are considered to be related degree programs to the Bachelor's degree programs at Montreat:

### **Associate in Arts Degree with Transfer Plans and/or Pre-Majors in:**

- Accounting
- Art, Studio/Fine Art
- Biology
- Business Administration
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Cyber Security
- Economics
- Education (General Preparation)
- English
- Health Services Administration
- History
- Human Resources Management
- Information Technology
- Journalism
- Management Information Systems
- Marine Biology
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Administration
- Public Relations/Organizational Communications
- Social Sciences
- Sociology

- Theatre, Drama/Dramatic Arts

**Associate of Science in:**

- Business Administration
- Computer Information Technology
- Computer Programming and Analysis