

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE
COMPUTER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

AND

ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (hereinafter “Agreement”) is entered into by Ferris State University, a Michigan constitutionally-created public institution of higher education, located in Big Rapids, Michigan 49307 (hereinafter “Ferris”) and Alpena Community College (hereinafter the “Alpena”) on this 1st day of February, 2011.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Ferris is a Michigan public university with its main campus located in Big Rapids, Michigan, and offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Information Technology (hereinafter the “Bachelors Program”); and,

WHEREAS, Alpena is a Michigan community college with its main campus in Alpena, Michigan, and offers occupational and transfer Associate degrees (hereinafter the “Associates Program”); and,

WHEREAS, Alpena’s Associates Program includes courses that may be applied toward the Ferris Bachelors Program; and,

WHEREAS, Ferris and Alpena desire to collaborate to provide opportunities for continued education to Alpena’s graduates of the Associates Program through the Ferris Bachelors Program;

AGREEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, the parties, desiring to articulate the nature of their collaboration, hereby agree to the terms listed below. Further, Ferris is a party to the Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (MACRAO) Articulation Agreement and has general education transfer guidelines (“Guidelines”) as set forth in an Academic Affairs Policy Letter. Except as governed by the MACRAO Articulation Agreement and/or the Guidelines, the following terms shall apply.

1. Alpena students who have completed the Associates Program or have completed at least forty-eight (48) transferable credits from Alpena with a cumulative grade point average of not less than a 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher, (hereinafter the “qualified student”) may apply to the Bachelors Program at Ferris. If the qualified student is admitted to Ferris for the Bachelors Program, Ferris shall permit the qualified student to transfer all credits in the Associates Program toward the Bachelors Program and apply those that are applicable for those courses that the qualified student received a grade of C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or higher, and for those courses that the qualified student received a grade of Pass (hereinafter a “Pass”) for a course completed on a Pass or Fail basis, provided, however, that Alpena’s definition of a Pass does not include the equivalent of a grade lower than a grade of C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale). Although all courses that meet the guidelines will transfer, program specific requirements must still be met.

2. Ferris and Alpena establish their own admissions requirements and recognize and respect each other’s autonomy in establishing such requirements. Although qualified students from Alpena may meet the academic admissions requirements for Ferris, such qualified students may not be otherwise eligible for admission to Ferris. Ferris and Alpena recognize that Ferris may refuse admission to any person who does not meet all admissions requirements set by Ferris.

3. Attached hereto, and made a part hereof, is the transfer plan for the Bachelors Program (hereinafter the “Articulation Guide”), setting forth the Bachelors Program prerequisites, including the course equivalencies for the Ferris Bachelors Program and Alpena’s Associates Program that are the subject of transfer from Alpena to Ferris by qualified students. The Articulation Guide is subject to programmatic review and periodic change by Ferris and Alpena. Ferris and Alpena will communicate regularly, but not less than once every year, regarding any required programmatic changes, and shall inform each other in writing of the impact of any programmatic changes on the Articulation Guide prior to the implementation of any programmatic changes.

4. This Agreement shall be for an initial term of three (3) years, and shall be automatically renewed for additional one (1) year terms for not more than an additional three (3) years, unless Ferris or Alpena terminates this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, or unless either party is in material breach of any term in this Agreement. Ferris or Alpena may terminate this Agreement by providing the other party with written notice, by first class mail, of the termination of the Agreement. The Agreement shall terminate not less than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the termination notice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties.

5. This Agreement is intended solely for the mutual benefit of the parties hereto, and there is no intention, express or otherwise, to create any rights or interests for any party or person other than Ferris and Alpena. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no rights are intended to be created for any student, qualified student, as

defined herein, parent or guardian of any student, or employer or prospective employer of any student.

6. No amendment or modification to this Agreement, including any amendment or modification of this paragraph, shall be effective unless the same is in writing and signed by the party to be charged.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year written in the preamble to this Agreement.

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We, the representatives of Ferris State University and Alpena Community College, agree to the terms of this agreement, effective February 1, 2011.

Signatures

Ferris State University

Alpena Community College

David Eisler
President

Olin Joynton
President

Fritz Erickson
Provost and Vice President

Mark A. Curtis
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AMENDMENT TO ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Alpena Community College – Computer Information Technology

THIS is an AMENDMENT to an ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (hereinafter “Agreement”) dated February 1, 2011, between Ferris State University, a Michigan constitutionally-created public institution of higher education, located in Big Rapids, Michigan 49307 (hereinafter “Ferris”) and Alpena Community College located in Alpena, Michigan (hereinafter “ACC”) entered into on this 1st day of August, 2011.

The Articulation Agreement entered into between Ferris and ACC is amended as follows:

1. ACC students who have completed the Associates Program or have completed at least forty-eight (48) transferable credits from ACC with a cumulative grade point average of not less than a 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher, and have completed or placed into ACC’s Math 113 or English 111, or equivalent courses from another accredited institution, (hereinafter the “qualified student”) may apply to the Bachelors Program at Ferris.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the day and year written in the preamble to this Agreement.

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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