

# ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY**  
BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE  
Industrial Technology and Management

AND

**MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

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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 Muskegon Community College (hereinafter "Muskegon") on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2010.

## *RECITALS*

WHEREAS, Ferris is a Michigan public university with its main campus located in Big Rapids, Michigan, and offers a Bachelors of Applied Science degree in Industrial Technology and Management (hereinafter the "Bachelors Program"); and,

WHEREAS, Muskegon is a Michigan community college with its main campus in Muskegon, Michigan, and offers occupational Associate degree programs (hereinafter the "Associates Program"); and,

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

WHEREAS, Ferris and Muskegon desire to collaborate to provide opportunities for continued education to Muskegon students in 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:

1. Muskegon students who have completed the Associates Program or have completed at least forty-eight (48) transferable credits from Muskegon with a cumulative grade point average not less than a 2.50 on a 4.00 scale (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 Muskegon's definition of a Pass does not include the equivalent of a grade lower than a 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 Muskegon establish their own admissions requirements and recognize and respect each other's autonomy in establishing such requirements. Although qualified students from Muskegon may meet the academic admissions requirements for Ferris, such qualified students may not be otherwise eligible for admission to Ferris. Ferris and Muskegon 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 Industrial Technology and Management 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 the Muskegon Associates Program that are the subject of transfer from Muskegon to Ferris by qualified students. The Articulation Guide is subject to programmatic review and periodic change by Ferris and Muskegon. Ferris and Muskegon 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. Ferris and Muskegon anticipate offering courses, depending on enrollment, available facilities, and available faculty or instructors, at currently approved locations or online.

5. This Agreement shall be for a term of three (3) years. Ferris or Muskegon 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.

6. 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 Muskegon. 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.

7. 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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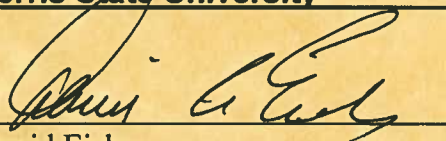
**MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

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We, the representatives of Ferris State University and Muskegon Community College, agree to the terms of this agreement, which will be for a period of three (3) years, effective November 1, 2010.

## Signatures

### Ferris State University



David Eisler  
President



Fritz Erickson  
Provost and Vice President

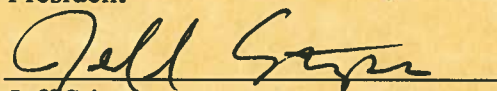


Donald Green  
Vice President  
Extended and International Operations

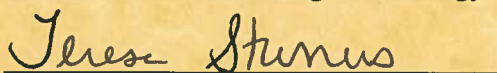
### Muskegon Community College



Dale Nesbary  
President



Jeff Stipes  
Chair  
Industrial Manufacturing Technology



Teresa Sturru  
Vice President  
Academic Affairs