

# ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

FOR THE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE  
AUTOMOTIVE MANAGEMENT

BETWEEN

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND

LANSING 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 Lansing Community College (hereinafter "LCC") on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.

## *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 Automotive Management (hereinafter the "Bachelors Program"); and,

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

WHEREAS, LCC's Associate Program includes courses that may be applied toward the Ferris Bachelors Program; and,

WHEREAS, Ferris and LCC desire to collaborate to provide opportunities for continued education to LCC's graduates of the Associate 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) Transfer Agreement and has general education transfer guidelines (hereinafter "guidelines") as set forth in an Academic Affairs Policy Letter. Except as governed by the MACRAO Agreement or the guidelines, the following terms shall apply:

1. To be admitted to the Bachelors Program, LCC students must either complete the Associates Program or at least 48 transferable credits with a cumulative grade point average of not less than a 2.30 on a 4.00 scale and complete LCC's MATH 107 or its equivalent from another accredited institution (hereinafter the "qualified student"). 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 for those courses that the qualified student received a grade of C (or a 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 LCC's definition of a Pass does not include the equivalent of a grade lower than a grade of C (or a 2.00 on a 4.00 scale).

2. Students may concurrently take courses at both Ferris and LCC and have access to advising and other services at both institutions. Ferris and LCC will maintain their financial aid consortium agreement that permits the allocation and distribution of financial aid to qualified students between Ferris and LCC. To be considered for financial aid from Ferris, students must be enrolled in at least a minimum of six (6) total credits from both institutions combined. To be eligible for financial aid, students must be admitted to a degree granting program at their "home" institution.

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

4. Attached hereto, and made a part hereof, is a 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 LCC Associate Program that are the subject of transfer from LCC to Ferris by qualified students. The Articulation Guide is subject to programmatic review and periodic change by Ferris and LCC. Ferris and LCC 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 Transfer Plan prior to the implementation of any programmatic changes.

5. Ferris courses will be delivered either locally, online, or in a blended format.

6. 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 LCC terminate 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 LCC 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.

7. 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 LCC. 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.

8. 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 Lansing Community College, agree to the terms of this agreement, which will be for a period of six (6) years, effective August 15, 2009, through August 15, 2015.

## Signatures

### Ferris State University

### Lansing Community College

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President

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Brent Knight  
President

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Provost and Vice President

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