



# INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

*between*

**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY**

*and*

**KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Ferris State University and Kalamazoo Valley Community College have reached certain mutual understandings which will enable both institutions to partner to better serve their students and prepare those students to enter a global workforce. Additionally, this partnership will help both institutions prepare students for successful careers, responsible citizenship, and lifelong learning. Both institutions recognize that by working together, their collective efforts are much stronger than their individual efforts. Both parties have signed this Institutional Partnership Agreement setting forth their mutual understandings as follows:

1. Any student from Kalamazoo Valley Community College who meets the eligibility standards, including but not limited to, an Associate degree awarded by Kalamazoo Valley Community College with at least a 2.00 GPA will be admitted to Ferris State University at the junior level.
2. The parties understand that acceptance of a Kalamazoo Valley Community College student into a specific Ferris State University degree program is based on the individual student meeting the admissions conditions and considerations applicable to the specific degree program.
3. Transfer Guides will be provided to Kalamazoo Valley Community College by Ferris State University for ease of transfer for the Kalamazoo Valley Community College transfer students.
4. Representatives of both institutions agree to communicate regularly regarding any required curricular changes, including the addition of new courses and other conditions that may affect transfer students.
5. This Institutional Partnership Agreement does not preclude either institution from making a curriculum change if deemed appropriate by the institution making the change.
6. Ferris State University is a member of MACRAO, participates with the Michigan Transfer Network, and adheres to the Michigan Transfer Agreement.
7. Appropriate publications and promotional materials regarding this Institutional Partnership Agreement will be made available to Kalamazoo Valley Community College students.
8. This Institutional Partnership Agreement may be unilaterally dissolved at any time upon mutual agreement by either institution upon 180 days written notice to the other institution.

**AGREED TO THIS 25TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016.**

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