

Consortia Agreement
Reverse Transfer Associate Degree Initiative
Montcalm Community College
Ferris State University

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate the implementation of a new initiative to assist students who have transferred to Ferris State University to complete an Associate's Degree at Montcalm Community College. This agreement is an extension of the transfer relationship in place between our institutions. The initiative applies to Montcalm Community College Students who have completed at least 15 credits at Montcalm but who transferred before earning an Associate's Degree. The signatories to this Agreement commit to work collaboratively to enable qualified students to obtain an additional credential. This agreement is an extension of our efforts to provide a seamless transfer experience to increase student retention and degree completion.

Each signatory agrees to:

1. Appoint a contact person and liaison for the initiative.
2. Share student information and ensure it is done in a manner that is in compliance with FERPA guidelines.
3. Develop a method to track the success of the initiative and share results on an annual basis.
4. Follow parameters of the law and regional accrediting agencies.
5. Develop and document the system, processes, communication and timeline supporting the initiative.
6. Explore opportunities to leverage existing technology in an effort to create an effective, efficient and seamless process.
7. Outline student communication, procedures and advisement assistance to complete degree requirements.
8. Attend partner meetings to continuously monitor the agreement and its outcomes.

Signatures:

Robert C. Ferrentino, J.D. President of Montcalm Community College	9/26/12 Date
David L. Eisler, DMA President of Ferris State University	Sept. 26, 2012 Date