

## Statewide Articulation Partnership between Ferris State University

and

## Michigan Department of Education Effective July 1, 2013

Ferris State University is pleased to be able to provide statewide secondary articulated credit agreements to benefit Michigan high school students. Ferris State is proud to partner with the Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Office of Career and Technical Education, Michigan High Schools and Michigan Career and Technical Education Centers.

## Purpose of this Partnership

Secondary articulation agreements are formal agreements between a secondary and postsecondary institution that are designed to assist students in continuing their education after high school. Articulation agreements provide a systematic, seamless transition process from secondary to postsecondary education that maximizes the use of resources and minimizes content duplication.

By streamlining the articulation agreements into a statewide format, Ferris State is able to strengthen its collaboration with career and technical education centers and high schools while maintaining consistency when awarding articulated credit to students.

This partnership recognizes the quality of content and rigor in the Michigan Career and Technical Education programs. Where there is an alignment of secondary CTE programs to Ferris State programs, all Michigan state-approved CTE programs will be covered under this agreement.

Additionally, these statewide agreements may help high school students to reduce their time to a college degree and student debt for college.

These statewide articulation agreements are formal contracts between the Michigan Department of Education and Ferris State University. Agreements were developed based on the secondary state-approved programs that met all of the required technical skills and standards. A list of State-approved programs along with the technical, pathway, foundation and career and employability standards can be found at http://ctenavigator.org/.

## **About the Articulation Creation Process**

Ferris State University has evaluated the Michigan Career Technical Education program standards. Members of the corresponding Ferris State faculty have also reviewed these standards and have determined which Ferris State courses are compatible with the secondary program so students may apply for articulated credit as well as the criteria that a student must meet to be granted articulated credit.

As all state-approved programs offered at Michigan's career technical centers and high schools adhere to the same state-wide curriculum and standards, offering statewide agreements allows for greater consistency and academic integrity when granting articulated credit to students.

Ferris State University will award articulated credit to students for the Michigan state-approved secondary programs, provided the students meet the requirements set forth in the Ferris State University statewide articulation agreements. This partnership agreement is valid until one or both parties choose to dissolve the partnership.

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