## **GUARANTEED ADMISSION**

# College of Southern Maryland And Wilmington University

Wilmington University ("WilmU") and College of Southern Maryland ("CSM") enter into this guaranteed admission agreement in order to facilitate the transfer to WilmU for CSM students who have earned an associate degree.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR GUARANTEED ADMISSION TO WILMU

- The Guaranteed Admission agreement facilitates the transfer of CSM who have completed
  the CSM Associate of Arts (A.A.), Associate of Arts in Teaching (A.A.T.), Associate of
  Arts in Engineering (A.S.E.), Associate of Science (A.S.), or Associate of Applied Science
  (A.A.S.) degree programs. All students who earn a CSM associate. degree with a
  cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher are guaranteed admission to WilmU.
  Students must still meet admission requirements for specific bachelor degree majors.
- 2. Students transferring under this agreement will be eligible for financial aid on the same basis as other WilmU students.
- 3. The application fee shall be waived for students applying to WilmU through this agreement.
- 4. WilmU will accept a maximum of 90 credits in transfer from all prior colleges and universities, including a maximum of 90 transfer credits from CSM.
- 5. CSM credits earned through credit for prior learning; high school dual enrollment or early college, will be accepted at WilmU based on applicability to degree program.
- 6. Once at WilmU, students who transfer under the terms of this agreement are responsible for meeting requirements in their major field of study, and any other curriculum requirements applying to all WilmU students that were in effect at WilmU at the time of their admission. These students will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof, which apply to all WilmU students.
- 7. Students who transfer under the terms of this agreement must apply for admission to WilmU within one year of CSM graduation.
- CSM students who do not complete an associate degree will not be granted automatic admission to WilmU and must apply for admission under the regular transfer admissions process.
- 9. Students who change their program of study may be required to take appropriate prerequisite courses either at WilmU or at CSM.
- 10. For CSM students who do not graduate with an associate degree WilmU will determine appropriate transfer of credit on a course-by-course basis.

## AGREEMENT OBLIGATIONS

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- 1. WilmU's Department of External Affairs will manage the necessary degree articulation elements and its Recruiting Department will manage the partnership elements of this Agreement.
- 2. WilmU will support a seamless transfer agreement that allows CSM students with conferred associate degrees to transfer.
- 3. WilmU will encourage the development of discipline-specific agreements. The agreements will include an option of; course articulation chart/transfer credit evaluation/sequence map for the associate to baccalaureate degree articulated in each agreement developed.
- 4. WilmU will send a letter of conditional admission and other information as may be required to CSM students eligible for transfer to WilmU under this Agreement.
- WilmU will provide updated materials, website content and program information sessions about WilmU degree programs and the transfer process for CSM staff, faculty, students and graduates.
- 6. To inform potential students of WilmU programs and services, WilmU will provide literature, collaborative marketing assistance and information about its admissions/transfer processes, recruitment events and scholarship opportunities through deliverables including posters, brochures, messaging within graduate publications, student newspapers, faculty newsletters and other WilmU marketing communications materials that may be distributed and posted around CSM campuses.
- 7. WilmU will participate in CSM transfer fairs, graduate events, campus visits, and other university-specific fairs.
- 8. WilmU will encourage CSM students to complete their associate degree at CSM prior to transferring to WilmU.

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- The primary offices and designees responsible for oversight of this Agreement at CSM will be identified. These responsible groups will host meetings with key contacts to track the progress of the partnership on at least an annual basis with more frequent meetings encouraged.
- CSM will publicize this Agreement to prospective students via transfer literature an online communications. It will also inform current CSM students of their transfer options at WilmU under the conditions of this Agreement.
- 3. A list of transfer counselors and their contact information will be provided to WilmU. This information will be maintained and updated as changes occur.

- 4. CSM will promote seamless transfer to WilmU to its students by:
  - Featuring information and content provided by WilmU on CSM Transfer Services websites
  - Communicating information about this Agreement at open house sessions, career track talks, welcome days, career transition workshops and campus tours
  - Including WilmU information on all CSM Transfer Services promotional materials, including printed and electronic brochures and newsletters. Materials about the CSM/WilmU Agreement will be made available at designated areas in each colleges' Transfer Services areas.
- 5. CSM will collaborate with WilmU on a mutually agreed upon mailing strategy to a specific list of prospective transfer students twice annually (see criteria below). Content for mailing will be provided to CSM for approval. Mailing may require the use of a third party to support this communication process. Students must meet the following criteria to receive such mailings:
  - a. CSM will email students with "currently enrolled" status and nearing graduation (over 45 credits) once to twice a semester on behalf of Wilmington University.
  - b. CSM will provide a representative from WilmU with a list of recent graduates (<2 years) in specific articulated programs who do not hold a 4-year degree. Lists used for these mailings will include the full name, postal address, email address and program of study for each student.</p>
  - 6. CSM will provide space for an annual meeting between its academic advisors and University department chairs in order to discuss current and new program offerings and transfer policies.
  - 7. Opportunities to assist, coordinate and promote WilmU on-site recruitment visits on CSM campus include but are not limited to:
    - a. CSM transfer fairs, campus visits, events posting, and university-specific fairs
    - b. WilmU information table set-ups several times each month
  - 8. CSM will collaborate with WilmU in University marketing activities and ensure that the deliverables listed are distributed and posted around the CSM campus.

Any marketing or advising materials developed by WilmU will adhere to the terms of this Agreement.

## JOINT OBLIGATIONS

- WilmU and CSM will conduct annual reviews of this Agreement and coordinate changes as necessary. Any changes will require signatures from both institutions prior to implementation. This Agreement may be terminated by either institution at any time by written notice at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Students conditionally accepted by WilmU will not be affected by the termination of this Agreement.
- 2. CSM and WilmU authorize this Agreement to become effective with the start of the fall 2020 semester.

- 3. These same institutions will jointly develop and implement marketing efforts to attract students to the program.
- 4. CSM and WilmU will develop, maintain and share records of the CSM students admitted into the program to the extent permitted by law.
- 5. Each institution will designate a representative who will coordinate and monitor the Guaranteed Admissions Agreement.
- 6. Each institution agrees that all programs can be updated as needed and will ensure regular communication about curricular changes with the partner institution to ensure CSM graduates ease of transfer to WilmU.

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# LONGEVITY OF THE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement will commence with the start of the fall semester 2020 for a period of three years. The agreement will be reviewed every three years with an initial review scheduled prior to the start of the fall 2023 semester. The agreement will automatically renew for another three years unless otherwise notified in writing. This Agreement may be terminated by either institution by submitting written notice of the intent to terminate. The termination notice must be submitted at least one year prior to the start of the date the termination is to become effective.

In the event this Agreement is terminated, both parties will protect individual students who are already part of the program.

This framework of cooperation is agreed to between College of Southern Maryland and Wilmington University.

Therefore, in the interest of building a partnership between College of Southern Maryland and Wilmington University, it is agreed on this date,, to create this Agreement between our two institutions.		
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