# **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**



Between METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGES and GRACELAND UNIVERSITY

Amended June 2015

#### **OVERVIEW:**

This formal articulation agreement is made and entered into by Graceland University, hereinafter referred to as Graceland, and Metropolitan Community Colleges, hereinafter referred to as MCC. By this agreement MCC and Graceland express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By clarifying transfer policies and procedures, which assure articulation between programs, the institutions seek to assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree.

### PURPOSE:

This agreement provides MCC students who have earned an Associate degree or a minimum of 48 semester hours of transfer credit the opportunity to complete a Bachelor's degree at Graceland. These MCC students are guaranteed that Graceland will accept designated freshman and sophomore education credits and all general education credits and will apply such to a Bachelor's degree in a manner consistent with the treatment of native students.

# CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER:

# Section I: Admissions and Matriculation

MCC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as Graceland native students enrolled under a specific catalog.

Criteria for acceptance into Graceland will be the same for transfer as for native students.

Students who complete the AAT (Associate in Arts Teaching) will be automatically accepted by Graceland University and admitted to the Teacher Education Program. Automatic acceptance is allowed because in order to receive the degree of AAT, students will have obtained at least required scores on the MoGEA, an earned a minimum 2.75 GPA.

MCC, upon request of students, will provide verification of completed courses to Graceland through its Registrar's Office.

The transcript of students transferring from MCC will be evaluated by the Registrar's Office.

Transfer students from MCC will have access to financial aid, scholarships, and student services on the same basis as native students.

Minimum grade standards for academic progress and graduation from MCC will be subject to no further review by Graceland.

Graceland will apply the same academic progress and graduation standards to MCC transfer students as those applicable to native students at Graceland.

## Section II: Transfer of Credit

Courses accepted for transfer will be accepted as credit only and will not carry grade points. Credit will be accepted for courses in which the student earned a grade of C- or better. However, coursework in which the student has earned a passing grade of less than a C- (D+, D or D-) will be accepted for transfer if the work was included as part of an earned Associates Degree.

An unlimited number of collegiate-level semester hours may be transferred to Graceland University. However, only a limited number of developmental, remedial, physical education activity, vocational-technical, music ensemble and English as a Second Language semester hours are acceptable. All graduation requirements as outlined in the current catalog must still be met by students who wish to transfer work to Graceland.

In order to follow the alternative general education requirements, a MCC transfer student must have earned a minimum of 48 semester hours of transfer credit, and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 prior to starting Graceland University courses.

Upon completion of at least 56 semester hours of transfer credit the transfer students from MCC will have junior standing at Graceland.

# TERMS OF AGREEMENT:

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2001-2002 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both parties: [Amended June 2015]. The agreement may be amended at any time with the approval of both parties and is subject to regular review to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notification of two years will be required.

## SIGNATURES:

Metropolitan Community College (MCC) and Graceland University (Graceland) hereby enter into this articulation agreement by the affixing of signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.

Mark S. James

Chancellor

The Junior College District of Metropolitan

Kansas City, Missouri

Date 7/7//

Dr./John Sellars

President

Graceland University

Date 6-25-15

Dr. Tammy Everett

Vice President for Academic Affairs and

Dean of Faculty

Date 6-25-15