Dual Admission Agreement

between

Metropolitan Community College and

William Jewell College

Overview:

This Dual Admission Agreement is made and entered into by William Jewell College, hereinafter referred to as WJC, and on behalf of Metropolitan Community College, hereinafter referred to as MCC. By this agreement MCC and WJC express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By creating this dual admission program, which is a companion to our articulation agreements, the institutions seek to assist students in making a more seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree.

Purpose:

The dual admission program at WJC allows students attending MCC the opportunity to declare their intention to transfer to WJC. Preferably, this is done early in their academic career to afford them the most benefit from the program. An admitted student at the MCC is encouraged to finish an associate degree before transferring to WJC to complete a bachelor degree. Further, this agreement provides the opportunity for MCC students who transfer to WJC prior to earning an associate degree to transfer credits earned at WJC to MCC to complete their associate degree (see Appendix 1).

Agreement:

MCC Obligations:

- MCC will publicize the opportunity (“Dual Admission Program”) to MCC by any means of communication utilized with its students, including, but not limited to, printed material, websites, e-communications and in other ways designed to alert MCC students to the Dual Admission Program with WJC.

- MCC will provide information regarding the online dual admission program to each MCC student that indicates an interest in transferring to complete a baccalaureate degree, especially those interested in WJC, by providing printed informational materials or by referring the MCC student to online dual admission access through links at http://www.jewell.edu/admissions.

- MCC will be notified after submission of a completed dual admission program application from any MCC student, at which time MCC will provide an official transcript to WJC at no cost to WJC.

- MCC will provide reports of aggregate data on students who have applied for the Dual Admission Program at WJC for research purposes

- MCC will work in good faith to honor the intent of this agreement and will encourage MCC students for whom WJC is a good fit to enroll at WJC upon completion of an associate of arts or science degree at MCC.
WJC Obligations:

- WJC will publicize the Dual Admission Program in printed material, websites, e-communication and by other appropriate means.
- WJC will provide MCC students with web access to the application for Dual Admission as well as for college admission.
- WJC will review completed applications for admission in a timely manner and will notify the applicant of the admission decision.
- WJC will work in good faith to honor the intent of this agreement and will encourage MCC students who express an interest in the Dual Admission Program to complete an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree prior to transfer to WJC.
- WJC will provide students with access to the following services:
  1. Academic/departmental advising
  2. A degree audit report at the conclusion of each semester
  3. A WJC student id card
  4. Invitations to special events offered by the College
  5. Opportunity to plan for and follow through with study abroad options
  6. Special opportunities offered by their intended academic department
  7. All students enrolled in the Dual Admission program and who will have completed 30 credit hours at the community college with a minimum GPA of 3.0, are eligible to take one course per semester, from a select offering of courses through Jewell, at a reduced rate per credit hour (Education majors are allowed two courses per semester worth a total of 6 credits hours).

- WJC will annually provide reports of aggregate data on MCC students who have transferred to complete a baccalaureate degree with data on participants in the Dual Admission Program clearly segmented for additional research.
Terms of Agreement:

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2011-2012 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both parties. The agreement may be amended at any time by either party and should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notification of two semesters will be required. All students that are enrolled in the Dual Admission Program at the time of termination of this agreement shall be permitted the benefits and services of the program as outlined in the agreement.

Representatives of MCC and WJC will meet annually to discuss the Dual Admission Program, assess its effectiveness and seek ways to improve the Dual Admission program.

Signatures:

The Metropolitan Community College and William Jewell College hereby enter into the Dual Admission Program agreement by affixing signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.

Mark James
Chancellor
The Junior College District of Metropolitan
Kansas City, Missouri

Date: 11/30/11

Dr. David Sallee
President
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Date: 11/29/11
Appendix 1.

1. Reverse Transfer Agreement:
   a. Students at WJC may transfer credits for course work earned at WJC to METROPOLITAN for the purpose of completing requirements for an associate degree.
   b. A METROPOLITAN student must have completed a minimum of 42 credit hours at 100 level or above at METROPOLITAN to qualify for the reverse transfer agreement.
   c. For those students who have met the above requirement, METROPOLITAN would treat hours submitted for reverse transfer as if they were hours earned at METROPOLITAN.
   d. Such 'reverse transfer' authority is intended to allow METROPOLITAN students who may transfer to WJC prior to achieving their associate degree the advantage of completing such a degree pending their further efforts toward obtaining a baccalaureate degree.
   e. Such 'reverse transfer' authority is also intended to allow students who may, for various reasons, leave WJC prior to completing their baccalaureate degree or are interested in completing the associate degree while attending WJC the opportunity to apply the credits they have earned up to that point toward achieving an associate degree at METROPOLITAN.
   f. Each institution will communicate to students who qualify for the joint admissions agreement the benefits of completing an associate's degree and the opportunities for reverse transfer.
   g. METROPOLITAN will encourage the students to send a transcript for the purpose of completing requirements for an associate degree, at which time WJC will provide an official transcript to METROPOLITAN at no cost to METROPOLITAN or the student.