



# NATIONAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

## ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Effective Date: January 17, 2011

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National American University and Ozarks Technical Community College agree to recognize and formalize a collaborative degree completion program on the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement.

National American University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, and is authorized to offer baccalaureate degree programs on an academic quarter system.

Ozarks Technical Community College is accredited by The Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and is authorized to offer associate degree programs on an academic semester system.

Both institutions periodically review their academic programs and courses, student support services, and learning resources.

To allow students to transfer credits earned at Ozarks Technical Community College to National American University with a minimum of delay and disruption in their educational process, the parties agree as follows:

**1. Articulation.** National American University will admit graduates of Ozarks Technical Community College's associate degree programs into the Bachelor of Science degree programs listed in its undergraduate catalog, subject to university policies and procedures. Available programs include the following:

- The Bachelor of Science in Applied Management program is designed for individuals with degrees, diplomas, or certificates in specialty areas, such as merchandising, dental hygiene, electronics, medical assisting, drafting, welding, or other vocational areas. A minimum of 27 credit hours in one specialty area is required to complete this program. Combined with business and general education courses, this degree prepares graduates for advancement in management areas associated with their specialty field.
- The Bachelor of Science in Applied Information Technology program is designed to provide the flexibility to integrate specialized technology and skills into a customized information technology program. It is intended for individuals with degrees, diplomas, certificates or certifications in specialty areas, such as information technology, computer science, programming, networks, computer-aided design and database, and other related areas. A minimum of 27 credit hours in one specialty area is required to complete this program. This degree prepares graduates for advancement in management or technical areas associated with their specialty field.

In each of these programs, students have the option to: (1) transfer credit from the source of the specialty training, or (2) create a specialty area using approved National American University courses.

**2. Block Transfer Policy.** (a) National American University's block transfer policy (General Education Equivalency) applies to all bachelor's degree programs with the exception of the following: Athletic Training, Nursing, and the Applied Management program offered in Kansas. All transfer course work must be college level (1000-level or above).

(b) Block transfer does not apply to students attending Minnesota or Texas campuses. If students were eligible for block transfer on enrollment, a subsequent change of degree program request will initiate the reevaluation of eligibility for block transfer in the new degree program.

(c) Students who have earned a bachelor's or associate degree, regardless of the type, with the equivalent of at least 50 quarter credit hours of general education courses, meet the requirements for National American University's general education core area available for block transfer.

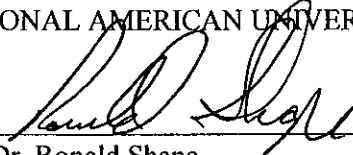
(d) Students who have earned an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Applied Science (AAS), Associate of General Studies degree or a technical Bachelor of Applied Science degree from an accredited institution may be eligible for block transfer in the university's Bachelor of Science in Applied Management and Bachelor of Applied Science in Applied Information Technology degree programs if sufficient transfer credits are available.


3. **Term.** The term of this agreement shall commence on the effective date indicated on the first page. This agreement may be terminated by either party's providing to the other party at least ninety (90) days' written notice of its intent to terminate.
4. **Continuing Duties.** Upon termination of this agreement, National American University will continue to perform the duties and responsibilities set forth above for any student who has commenced a Bachelor of Science degree program but not completed it at the termination date.
5. **Amendment.** This agreement may be amended by a written document signed by both parties.

Signed in duplicate on the date(s) set forth below.

Date: 1/24/2011

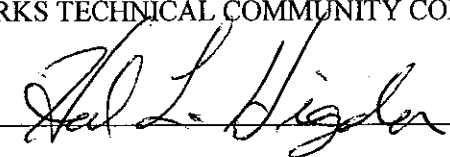
NATIONAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

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Chief Executive Officer

By:   
Dr. Samuel D. Kerr  
Provost

Date: 3/22/11

OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

By:   
Dr. Hal Higdon  
President

*Each institution should retain one signed original.*

*Return one signed original to National American University's Associate Provost.*