

COLUMBIA COLLEGE AND OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

This Articulation Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into by and between Columbia College, with its principal place of business located at 1001 Rogers Street, Columbia, Missouri 65216 ("Columbia College") and Ozarks Technical Community College 1001 E Chestnut Expressway, Springfield, Missouri 65802 ("Ozarks Technical Community College") (Columbia College and Ozarks Technical Community College referred to as the "Parties") as of the date set forth below and reflects the terms, conditions and understanding of the Parties related to the subject matter set forth herein.

I. COLUMBIA COLLEGE

Columbia College is a private, non-profit, coeducational institution of higher education that offers associate, bachelor's, and master's degrees and certificates. Columbia College is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Columbia College students may enroll in day, evening, or online education classes at the main campus in Columbia, Missouri, or in its Columbia College Global division at one of the many locations.

II. OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The OTC System encompasses three campuses and two centers across southwest Missouri. OTC has over 28,000 graduates, taught 95,000 courses, and has a robust online education center. With more than 200,000 citizens of southwest Missouri have taken advantage of one or more of the college's educational services since April 3, 1990. The institution received accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools in 1996.

III. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

Columbia College and Ozarks Technical Community College desire to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of establishing the guidelines to facilitate the transfer of academic credit earned by students completing a designated associate degree at Ozarks Technical Community College for application towards a baccalaureate degree at Columbia College.

IV. TRANSFER OF CREDIT

A. Credit Hours

At least 39 course credit hours must be taken in upper level courses to earn a bachelor's degree from Columbia College. The remaining course credit hours required for a bachelor's may be completed at Columbia College, Ozarks Technical Community College, or with other transfer

credit hours approved by Columbia College. Ozarks Technical Community College students must also complete a minimum of 30 course credit hours in Columbia College courses to satisfy the Columbia College residency requirement.

B. General Education

Columbia College will accept the Ozarks Technical Community College Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Arts in Business and Associate of Arts in Teaching, degrees as satisfying all of the Columbia College general education requirements.

Columbia College will accept the Ozarks Technical Community College Associate of Applied Science or any other associate degree not specifically mentioned in this Agreement as satisfying all of the Columbia College general education requirements if the student completes the following coursework:

- ENG 102 Composition II with a grade of "C" or better
- At least 30 additional semester hours that meet the Columbia College requirement in the Humanities, Social/Behavioral Science and Math/Science areas with at least one course in each area.

C. Individual Courses

Credits earned at Ozarks Technical Community College, and/or other accredited institutions of higher education, will be evaluated individually by the Columbia College Office of the Registrar. Columbia College will provide a Course Equivalency Guide to Ozarks Technical Community College academic advisors and administrators for reference. If approved and accepted by Columbia College, credits earned at Ozarks Technical Community College in courses above developmental level, for which the student earned a grade of "C" or better, will be accepted for transfer credit to Columbia College, and will be granted the Columbia College equivalency listed on the Course Equivalency Guide.

D. Concurrent Enrollment

Students who complete an approved associate degree with Ozarks Technical Community College at any time during their pursuit of a bachelor's degree with Columbia College, are eligible for the general education waiver. Students who complete any other associate degree with Ozarks Technical Community College, during their pursuit of a bachelor's degree with Columbia College, may complete additional course work to fulfill the general education requirements, outlined in Section B. Once all the general education waiver requirements are met and the associate degree is awarded, the student will be eligible for the general education waiver. Course work may be completed with Columbia College, Ozarks Technical Community College, or any other accredited institution from whom transfer credit is accepted by the Columbia College Office of the Registrar.

V. COLUMBIA COLLEGE ADMISSION

Students who complete an associate degree from Ozarks Technical Community College will be considered as having met Columbia College's academic admissions requirements.

VI. DURATION OF AGREEMENT

The Agreement will remain in effect until either Party sends a letter of intent to terminate the Agreement to the non-terminating Party at least sixty (60) days prior to the termination date.

VII. REVISION OF AGREEMENT

Items not specifically mentioned within this Agreement will be governed by the Columbia College Catalog. Amendments and/or revisions to this Agreement may be made in writing at any time by mutual consent of the Parties. Such amendments and/or revisions shall be prepared in the form of an addendum to this Agreement. Both Parties shall work cooperatively to review and to update regularly specific items or operational procedures included in this Agreement.

VII. PUBLICITY

This Agreement will be publicized as a cooperative degree completion program for students of Ozarks Technical Community College. Through joint informational meetings and individual counseling by both institutions, both Parties to this Agreement will be responsible for publicizing the terms of this Agreement to their students. Non-degree-seeking students will be subject to the policies and procedures of both institutions. All questions regarding policies and procedures of either institution will be answered by the designated representative of that institution and by reference to the current published Catalog or Bulletin of that institution.

This Agreement is entered into and effective this 21 day of April, 2020.

SO AGREED:

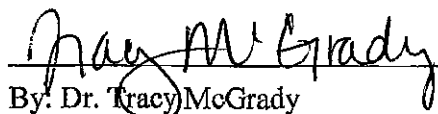
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