

Articulation Agreement (Undergraduate)
between
Glendale Community College
And
Grand Canyon University

Grand Canyon University ("GCU") hereby establishes an Articulation Agreement to facilitate students' transfer from Glendale Community College to Undergraduate Programs at GCU.

I. PURPOSE

- A. This Articulation Agreement formally recognizes that Glendale Community College and GCU are committed to providing greater educational opportunities and services for students who transfer. This commitment strongly supports the concept of seamless transfer that embraces the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already demonstrated.
- B. The purpose of this collaboration is to facilitate the matriculation of Glendale Community College students to an academically challenging baccalaureate degree through Grand Canyon University.
- C. Grand Canyon University enters into this Articulation Agreement in the spirit of recognizing Glendale Community College as a quality institution with a history of demonstrated excellence delivering high quality educational programs. Each institution, furthermore, was and is dedicated to serving students from all backgrounds, regardless of age, race, color, national origin, gender, disability, or any other classification protected by applicable law in its programs or activities.
- D. Through ongoing communication with Glendale Community College graduates, GCU will better understand the needs of students who are transferring and cooperate in responding to these needs.

II. BACCALAUREATE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A. All students must submit an acceptable college transcript to meet the admission requirement of the University. Students who are not able to meet the grade point average (GPA) requirements with their transcripts, but have a test score that meets admission requirements, students will be eligible for admittance. If both the degree-bearing transcript and the test scores do not meet admission requirements, students may be Accepted with Specifications.
 - Students with 6-24 transferrable college semester credits must have an unweighted GPA of 2.75 or above
 - Students with 25-90 transferrable college semester credits must have an unweighted GPA of 2.25 or above
- B. Students should be advised that some degree programs at GCU have competitive admissions or require college-specific admission requirements beyond the University level admission requirements. These college-specific admission requirements are available in GCU's University Policy Handbook located on www.gcu.edu.
- C. Students are required to meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission.

- D. There is no application fee(s).

III. GENERAL TRANSFER POLICIES

- A. Glendale Community College's students with courses numbered 100 and above, and a grade of C or better, entering under the terms of this Articulation Agreement will transfer into Grand Canyon University as long as the courses apply to their program requirements. Remedial courses are not eligible for transfer.
- B. The determination of how many credits GCU may accept from Glendale Community College programs is subject to accreditation and regulatory requirements. A maximum of 90 semester transfer credits, no more than 84 credits of which can be lower division, can be applied to an undergraduate program at GCU. After GCU evaluates the student's transfer credits, GCU will only apply those transfer credits that fulfill program requirements including general education and electives. Program major courses can also be fulfilled with an equivalent course in content.
- C. Students who transfer to GCU are required to meet the general education requirements for their specific GCU degree. This includes Christian Worldview (4 credits) and University Foundations (4 credits) which cannot be met with transfer credit. Students also need to meet the minimum math and English requirements for their specific GCU degree.

IV. TREATMENT OF APPLICABLE ASSOCIATE DEGREES ALLOWING A MINIMUM OF 60 CREDITS TO TRANSFER

- A. This Articulation Agreement establishes the principle that all applicable Associate Degrees (AA, AS, AA-T and AS-T) along with IGETC and CSU certifications at Glendale Community College transfer to GCU, allowing Glendale Community College Associate degrees to combine with GCU's baccalaureate degrees. A minimum of 60 applicable credits will be accepted and applied toward the designated/ appropriate college degree(s) in accordance with the Associate Transfer Plan policy located in GCU's University Policy Handbook. The applicable Associate Degrees will fulfill GCU's General Education requirements with the exception of University Foundations and Christian Worldview.
- B. With the applicable Associate degree, some GCU baccalaureate programs require a minimum of 60 credits to be completed at Grand Canyon University to meet all graduation requirements. This is due to the 8 credits required in the General Education (Christian Worldview and University Foundations) along with 52 credits required in the program major.

V. TREATMENT OF APPLICABLE ASSOCIATE DEGREES ALLOWING LESS THAN 60 CREDITS TO TRANSFER

- A. This Articulation Agreement establishes the principle that all applicable Associate Degrees (AA, AS, AA-T and AS-T) along with IGETC and CSU certifications at Glendale Community College transfer to GCU, allowing Glendale Community College Associate degrees to combine with GCU's baccalaureate degrees. All applicable credits will be accepted and applied toward the designated/appropriate college degree(s) in accordance with the Associate Transfer Plan policy located in GCU's University Policy Handbook. The applicable Associate Degrees will fulfill GCU's General Education requirements with the exception of University Foundations, Christian Worldview and required general education coursework. Required general education courses along with program major courses can be fulfilled with an equivalent course in content.

- B. With the applicable Associate degree, some GCU baccalaureate programs require more than 60 credits to be completed at Grand Canyon University to meet all graduation requirements.

VI: COURSE-BY COURSE EVALUATIONS

- A. Students who transfer into a baccalaureate degree program without a previously earned transfer-oriented Associate's degree (AA or AS) or with an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree must fulfill the requirements of the General Education and have a course-by-course evaluation completed. Grand Canyon University will accept a maximum of 90 semester transfer credits, of which a maximum of 84 can be lower-division credits. Students are required to complete the credit graduation requirement, including the balance of courses specified in the program of study and any elective credits.
- B. Course-by-course transcript evaluations are conducted to determine if courses taken in transfer work are equivalent to courses in the student's chosen GCU bachelor degree program. If courses match, the University considers the content requirement fulfilled by that equivalency; however, the upper division requirement may remain. After the University evaluates the student's transfer credits, the University only applies those transfer credits that fulfill program requirements including general education, electives, and courses in the major. Additionally, credit will only be given when it does not duplicate credit previously earned.

VII. OTHER ITEMS RELATED TO THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

A. Designation of Catalog

University and college programmatic requirements may change. A degree candidate is required to meet the requirements for graduation as outlined in the Academic Catalog in effect at the time he/she begins classes or those of any subsequent changes in the University Policy Handbook, provided the student has remained in continuous enrollment at Grand Canyon University. These requirements are also contained in the student's signed Enrollment Agreement.

B. On-Campus Student Housing

Grand Canyon University will provide guaranteed housing for campus housing if the housing fees are paid by the housing application deadline and the student meets all other requirements for on campus housing.

C. Tuition and Fees

Grand Canyon University does not charge out of state tuition. Students will be responsible for the Tuition and Fees outlined in the University Policy Handbook.

D. Institutional Aid (GCU Scholarships and GCU Grants)

- 1. Grand Canyon University has developed merit based scholarships for incoming transfer students with 25 or more transferable semester credits and a 2.5 or higher grade point average and meet all other criteria of the University, based on available funding. All of GCU's scholarships are renewable annually as long as the minimum GPA is met or exceeded per the student's scholarship level. In addition, scholarships below the President's level can be increased if the student performs exceptionally well at GCU. Essays and applications are not required.

There are many more scholarship opportunities available through the Grand Canyon University Scholarship Foundation. As an independent organization, the Grand Canyon University Scholarship Foundation works closely with its board to match academic needs with private support. For more information, Glendale Community College students can visit gcuscholarshipfoundation.org/.

2. Grand Canyon has developed a Priority Registration Grant and a Computer Science/Information Technology/Engineering (CSTEP) Grant for Glendale Community College transfer students. These grants are based on the number of available awards. In addition, GCU has developed a Grand Canyon State University Grant, which is designed for students that graduate from one of GCU's participant schools.
3. Grand Canyon University offers a 10% discount for Glendale Community College students, faculty and/or staff that attends GCU's non-traditional campus.

E. Creating and Distributing GCU Materials

All GCU-related printed and media materials created by Glendale Community College shall be approved by GCU prior to their use.

F. Evaluation Process

There will be an evaluation of the partnership supported by this Articulation Agreement every three (3) years. The information obtained from this evaluation will be used to improve the transfer process for the benefit of students.

G. Longevity of the Articulation Agreement

This Articulation Agreement shall be effective immediately upon approval and shall continue in force and effect until terminated by Grand Canyon University or Glendale Community College. Either party may terminate this Articulation Agreement with a 45-day written notice. Immediate termination will occur if either Grand Canyon University or Glendale Community College loses their current accreditation status. If an agreement is terminated due to the loss of accreditation the Articulation Agreement will end retroactive to the date the accreditation status changed.

H. Opportunities to Expand the Articulation Agreement

Grand Canyon University may choose to expand this Articulation Agreement as mutually beneficial opportunities are presented or in response to the needs that are identified.

VIII. INDEMNIFICATION

Glendale Community College shall defend, indemnify and hold Grand Canyon University, its officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all liability, loss, expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees), or claims for injury or damages arising out of the performance of this Articulation Agreement but only in proportion to and to the extent such as liability, loss, expense, attorney's fees, or claims for injury or damages are caused by or result from the negligence or intentional acts of omissions of Grand Canyon University, its officer, agents, or employees.

IX: RESPONSIBILITIES OF GCU

Grand Canyon University will provide enrollment counseling and/or academic advising to Glendale Community College students upon notification of intent to transfer. Additionally, GCU will provide the

University Policy Handbook, Academic Catalog, and other information to Glendale Community College students to facilitate their understanding of University requirements and academic programs.

GCU may place Glendale Community College students, interested in attending GCU, on its mailing list and invite the students to participate in cultural events, social activities, and presentations open to the public.

V. JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES

Glendale Community College and GCU agree to exchange data and documents as agreed that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of these transfer arrangements, and promote effective cooperation between the two institutions. The Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) governs the disclosure of information about students. The institutions may exchange admissions, grades, and retention data after obtaining appropriate permission from the students involved, if applicable, and in compliance with all federal, state, and local guidelines.

In collaboration with Glendale Community College, the development, distribution, and accuracy of all transfer articulation products (e.g., Transfer Guides) are the responsibility of GCU.

GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY



Signature Date



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