Transfer Admissions and Articulation Agreement
Between
Cochise County Community College District and Wayland Baptist University

Preface

With a shared interest in developing and promoting access and affordability for Arizona students, a shared vision of helping to assure that Arizona doubles the numbers of students earning a baccalaureate degree by 2020, with a common interest in advancing student-focused, learning-centered higher education, and with a mutual interest in facilitating seamless transfer opportunities that support the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already achieved, Cochise County Community College District (Cochise College) and Wayland Baptist University agree to establish a Transfer Admissions Guarantee program.

With the conditions stated below, this program will assure that graduates of Cochise College will be admitted to Wayland Baptist University with the number of Cochise College credit hours indicated in this agreement applied to the specified baccalaureate degree program(s).

I. General Provisions of the Guarantee

The following conditions describe an admissions guarantee between Cochise College and Wayland Baptist University. This guarantee will be reviewed in December of every other year by both institutions and reconfirmed or modified for the following two years. This agreement may be terminated with one year’s notice at the request of either institution.

This Transfer Admissions Guarantee (TAG) will become effective beginning with the Spring Semester of 2011.

Cochise College students who fulfill the criteria listed below are guaranteed admission to Wayland Baptist University and to the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree programs and the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (BSIS) Degree in Teacher Education program.

II. Conditions of the General Guarantee

This agreement is based on the principle that all Cochise College associate degrees - Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Arts in Elementary Education (AAEE), Associate of Science (AS), Associate in General Studies (AGS), Associate in Business (ABus) and Associate of Applied Science (AAS) - transfer as a block. While every attempt will be made to accept as many hours as possible in transfer, Wayland Baptist University will evaluate each student’s work for acceptance and generally agrees to transfer up to 72 lower level hours in our BAS program. Wayland Baptist University also agrees to transfer up to 12 hours for 4 years of documented full-time work experience. Please see attached list for specific course equivalents between Cochise College and Wayland Baptist University.
III. Student Requirements

To qualify for the general Transfer Admissions Guarantee (TAG), a Cochise College student must:

A. Complete an intent to transfer form during the year before planning to transfer.
B. Submit an undergraduate application for admission form to Wayland Baptist University during the university’s application filing period for acceptance the following semester.
C. Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA and a minimum GPA in all transferable courses as specified for the program(s) to which Transfer Admissions Guarantee(s)(Articulation agreements) have been determined.
D. Complete satisfactorily all Cochise College graduation requirements for the associate’s degree prior to the date the student intends to transfer to the university. Students who have completed an associate degree at Cochise College will have all of their courses accepted by Wayland Baptist University. However, students who have not earned a degree will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

IV. Role of Wayland Baptist University

To facilitate this agreement, Wayland Baptist University will:

A. Provide materials, catalogs and other information to Cochise College advisors, upon request, to help them help students understand university requirements and academic programs.
B. Provide access for potential transfer students to all necessary services, such as major specific transfer guides, admissions assistance, and financial aid services.
C. Ensure maximum cooperation with Cochise College personnel to identify the courses and programs that would provide the best foundation for students interested in transferring to Wayland Baptist University.

V. Role of Cochise College

To facilitate this agreement, Cochise College will:

A. Provide Wayland Baptist University personnel with the opportunity to promote this agreement by presenting materials to and speaking with Cochise College students.
B. Provide opportunities for Wayland Baptist University personnel to train Cochise College advising staff in important aspects of the transfer process to their institution.
C. Include information about this agreement in the college catalog and on the Cochise College web site, with an active link to Wayland Baptist University web site.
VI. Mutual Obligations

Both institutions agree that they will:

A. Provide direct links between their institutional web sites noting the existence of this agreement.
B. Ensure that transfer literature is updated on an annual basis.
C. Work cooperatively to determine which baccalaureate degree programs can and will accept more than 64 and up to 90 credits in transfer from Cochise College.
D. Designate an institutional representative for ongoing communications between the institutions regarding this transfer agreement and an advising representative for ongoing communications regarding student needs.
E. Comply with the Gramm Leach Bliley Act of 1999 and FERPA regulations, taking reasonable steps to ensure that confidential information is not disclosed or distributed. Information will be shared as needed to allow students to participate in this transfer agreement and to track student interest, persistence and success.
F. Form an oversight committee consisting of both Cochise College and Wayland Baptist University representatives charged with evaluation and review of this agreement. This committee will meet once every other year.

VII. Transfer Admissions Guarantee and Program Agreements

Cochise College and Wayland Baptist University have agreed that graduates of Cochise College will be guaranteed admissions into the degree programs outlined in the program articulation document maintained by Wayland Baptist University and agreed upon by Cochise College.

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