PIMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

for the

90/30 Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

Introduction

This document formally recognizes that Northern Arizona University (hereafter referred to as “NAU”) and Pima Community College (hereafter referred to as “Pima”) are active educational partners in providing baccalaureate degree opportunities for students. To work toward that goal, NAU has developed baccalaureate programs which allow students to transfer up to 90 credits from Pima as described in the Arizona Course Applicability System which may apply toward the baccalaureate degree (hereafter referred to as “90/30 programs”).

Degree Requirements

Pima students may earn either a BA or BS in Interdisciplinary Studies degree with a specialization in Administration of Justice, Emergency Services Administration, Humanities, Public Management or Technology Management.

NAU’s flexible, B.A. and B.S. degrees in Interdisciplinary Studies offer Pima students an opportunity to choose one of these specializations if they plan to enter an occupation that requires a broad general education, if they are seeking career advancement or personal intellectual enrichment, or if they are considering a pre-professional degree. This degree is intended to broaden a student’s background, but not to substitute for a degree that meets specific professional or occupational needs. When preparing for an occupation where entry is governed by licensure and/or professional certification, a student should seek admission to the appropriate degree plan.

To earn either Interdisciplinary Studies degree, students must complete at least 120 units of coursework, as described below:

- To avoid any deficiencies or risk having to take more than 120 hours of credit to complete this degree, a completed community college degree AND an AGEC from a regionally accredited community college in Arizona are highly recommended.
• Students with a completed AGEC will have met the 35 units of liberal studies and diversity requirements at NAU; however, students without an AGEC certification will need to meet the NAU liberal studies and diversity requirements.
• Students may transfer up to a maximum of 90 hours of community college and/or university credit from regionally accredited institutions of higher education.
• Students must complete at least 30 upper-division units in a specifically designed program of study at NAU.
• Students who have completed an associate degree, an AGEC, and the specified Computer Literacy, Oral Communication, and either a Second Language (for B.A.I.S. degrees) or Science (for B.S. I.S. degrees) as described in the Student Catalog of record prior to transferring to NAU, may transfer up to 90 credits and then be able to complete their bachelor’s degree with only the specific 30 credit hours of upper division courses in their major at NAU.

To be eligible for Honors at Graduation, students must complete 45 units at Northern Arizona University. If they complete fewer than 45 units at Northern Arizona University to fulfill the requirements for this degree, students will not qualify for Honors at Graduation regardless of their cumulative Grade Point Average.

Some courses required for these degrees may have prerequisites that must be taken, so courses in the appropriate subject must be checked. (These prerequisites may be counted toward liberal studies or general elective credit.) It is important to note that students must have a grade of C or better in all courses used in the Specialization Area. Furthermore, all course work in the Specialization Areas must be upper-division and from NAU. Substitutions and use of credit from another institution are not allowed in the Specialization Areas.

**Course Articulation and Curriculum Modifications**

Pima and NAU will continue to coordinate the articulation of courses applicable to these programs as well as any changes to the curriculum related to the 90/30 programs. NAU will update Pima with any changes to the curriculum for these programs as they take place.

**Term of Agreement**

Either party may terminate participation in this agreement with 90-days written notice. In the event that this agreement is terminated, the terms of the agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum transitional period of two (2) years to accommodate students already enrolled under the agreement. This Agreement is subject to the provisions of A.R.S. 38-511, the terms of which statute are deemed incorporated herein.
Signatures

Dr. Roy Flores, Chancellor
Pima County Community College District

Date: 6 APR 11

Dr. John D. Haeger, President
Northern Arizona University

Date: 6 April 2011