

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

AND

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

INTRODUCTION

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) formally recognizes that the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and Los Angeles Community College District are active collaborative educational partners, committed to providing greater access, options and educational opportunities and services for students transferring between institutions. This commitment strongly supports the concepts of seamless transfer that embraces the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already achieved.

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and Los Angeles Community College District enter into this MOU in the spirit of cooperation and mutually recognize each other as quality institutions of higher learning. Each institution, furthermore, is dedicated to serving students from all walks of life, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, sex, disability, color, age, marital status, national origin or other non-merit factors.

The purpose of this MOU is to enable greater access to Los Angeles Community College District students who transfer to North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. This MOU will provide students with an opportunity to enroll and earn either an Associate Degree or at least thirty (30) semester credit hours at Los Angeles Community College District to initiate an academic bridge to ultimately apply and obtain admittance into a degree program at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. Los Angeles Community College District understands and agrees that final decisions' regarding transfer articulations resides with the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

TRANSFER ELEMENTS

This MOU establishes the principle that Associates Degrees awarded by Los Angeles Community College District will receive full transfer credit to North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University for all courses completed as part of the Associates Degrees - Associate of Arts (AA), Associate in Arts – Associates of Applied Science (AAS), Associate in Science (AS), Associate in General Studies (AGS) at Los Angeles Community College District. Completed Associate Degrees are treated as whole; the components are not examined separately to determine transferability. Los Angeles Community College District's graduates will not have to repeat lower-division requirements, unless a grade lower than a C was received from the granting institution and the student needs the coursework toward completing their bachelor's degree at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

All credits are accepted and applied toward the designated/appropriate university degree(s) on a course-by-course basis. Students who have an associate degree and certified as having met all requirements at Los Angeles Community College District or the North Carolina Community College System General Education Core Courses and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University Equivalent Courses with a grade of C or better will be credited with fulfilling all of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University's University Studies requirements.

Los Angeles Community College District graduates who graduate in good academic standing and meet all other specific program requirements and prerequisites and have cumulative grade point average of a 2.25 or higher are guaranteed admission into the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSFERABLE CREDITS

Los Angeles Community College District students that transfer without an Associate Degree but who have completed a minimum of thirty (30) semester hours with a grade of C or better will have all courses evaluated for fulfillment of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University's University Studies requirements as stated in the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University catalog.

Los Angeles Community College District graduates will go through the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University transfer process and therefore must meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures that apply to all students at the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

MINIMUM COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Los Angeles Community College District students that have earned less than thirty (30) semester hours must meet all North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University minimum course requirements for undergraduate admission. Transferable course work must include six (6) semester credit hours in each of the following areas—four (4) in English and two (2) of the same foreign language other than English, four (4) in mathematics, three (3) in science and two (2) course units in social studies including one (1) unit in United States history. A detailed list of the minimum course requirements is available on the Undergraduate Admissions transfer admissions criteria web page at: <http://www.ncat.edu/~admit/transfer.html>.

JOINT OBLIGATIONS

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and Los Angeles Community College District agree to exchange relevant and appropriate data and documents that will help to identify and track students that take advantage of this educational partnership opportunity; contribute to the maintenance of this MOU; and promote effective cooperation between the two institutions. The institutions will exchange admissions data obtaining appropriate permissions from the students involved and in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws.

The Chancellor at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and the Chancellor at Los Angeles Community College District agree to undersigned a joint letter to students that have been denied admission into North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University to inform them about this educational opportunity to pursue their academic aspirations through this collaborative partnership. North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University will be responsible for mailing this correspondence to students that fit this profile.

The Chancellor at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and the Chancellor at Los Angeles Community College District agree to hold a media news conference to inform the greater community about this innovative collaborative educational partnership. Los Angeles Community College District will be responsible for coordinating the media news conference.

EVALUATION

It is understood by both educational partners that there will be a quarterly evaluation and assessment of this MOU between North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and Los Angeles Community College District. The information obtained from the quarterly evaluation will be used to improve and enhance the transfer process for the benefit of students.

LONGEVITY

The MOU is in perpetuity or until it is discontinued by either educational partner by submitting written notification to the other partner one year prior to the identified cancellation date in order to protect all students transferring between these institutions.

OFFICIAL DESIGNEES FOR MOU ADMINISTRATION

The following representatives will jointly administer this MOU and will be responsible for the quarterly evaluation and assessment of this MOU between North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and Los Angeles Community College District.

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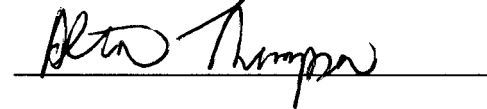


Dr. Mark Drummond
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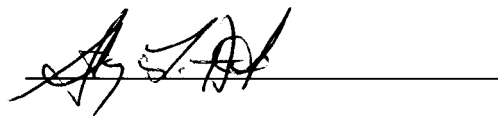


North Carolina A&T State University

Dr. Alton Thompson
Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor
for Academic Affairs



Dr. Stanley F. Battle
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In Witness Whereof, the parties have caused this articulation agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of this 27th day of Oct., 2008.