Articulation Agreement (Undergraduate) between
Pima County Community College District
And
Grand Canyon University

Grand Canyon University ("GCU") hereby establishes an Articulation Agreement to facilitate students’ transfer from Pima County Community College District ("Pima Community College") to Undergraduate Programs at GCU.

I. PURPOSE

A. This Articulation Agreement formally recognizes that Pima 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 Pima 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 Pima 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 Pima Community College graduates, GCU will better understand the needs of students who are transferring and cooperate in responding to these needs.

II. TRANSFER ELEMENTS

A. Treatment of Associate Degrees and General Education Core as Admission Criteria

1. This Articulation Agreement establishes the principle that all applicable Associate Degrees at Pima Community College transfer to GCU, allowing Pima Community College Associate degrees to combine with GCU’s baccalaureate degrees. Credits are accepted and applied toward the designated/appropriate college degree(s). Articulated Associate degrees will be identified, maintained, and available as Appendix A to this Articulation Agreement.

2. Pima Community College graduates with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0, courses numbered 100 and above, entering under the terms of this Articulation Agreement will transfer into Grand Canyon University as long as the courses apply to their program requirements. 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 the GCU Policy Handbook located on www.gcu.edu.

3. Pima Community College graduates will follow GCU’s transfer process and, therefore, must meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for
C. 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 Pima 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 Pima 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.

D. Opportunities to Expand the Articulation Agreement

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

☑. RESPONSIBILITIES OF GCU

GCU will provide enrollment counseling and/or academic advising to Pima Community College students upon notification of intent to transfer. Additionally, GCU will provide the University Policy Handbook, Academic Catalog, and other information to Pima Community College students to facilitate their understanding of University requirements and academic programs.

GCU may place Pima 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.

☑. JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES

Pima Community College and GCU agree to exchange 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 student involved, if applicable, and in compliance with all federal, state, and local guidelines.

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

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