Credits earned in certain diploma, certificate or associate's degree programs of study (the "Transfer Programs") have been deemed appropriate and applicable to the destination bachelor's degree program(s) of study reflected in this Agreement. These programs are included as an Appendix to this Agreement.

This Agreement reflects a commitment by both institutions to facilitate the transfer of credits earned in the Transfer Programs into a baccalaureate degree program without jeopardizing the intended mission and stated goals of either institution.

Terms

As a result of an assessment of the Transfer Programs and destination baccalaureate programs by both institutions, it has been determined that all credit earned in the Transfer Programs awarded by Merritt will transfer to CTU subject to the following conditions:

- Although credits will be accepted in transfer, additional general education and lower division credits may be needed to fulfill the program requirements. For example, applied General Education courses do not satisfy the General Education requirements of an academic degree program;
- Students from Merritt will be granted admission to a baccalaureate degree program through CTU's Virtual Campus as a result of having completed a Transfer Program with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or greater and upon further satisfaction of all other conditions for admission as stated in the Colorado Technical University catalog. Transfer students who have completed an associate degree will not be required to take a placement test. The admission requirements of Colorado Technical University may be viewed at www.coloradotech.edu. Students from Merritt may pre-apply to the baccalaureate program through CTU's Virtual Campus. Pre-application is defined as the process of submitting an admissions application and official transcript to CTU prior to the completion of an associate degree at Merritt.
- The application fee shall be waived for all transfer students, regardless of whether they have earned an associate degree or simply credits toward that degree.
- Regardless of the number of credits accepted, at least 25% of the credits for the baccalaureate degree must be completed at CTU.

CTU has specific grade requirements for core courses in the associate degree program, the transfer student may be required to repeat a course in the associate degree program to satisfy that requirement. Transcripts of transfer students who have not yet completed an associate degree program at Merritt will be subject to a course by course evaluation to determine which courses will be accepted for credit by CTU.

All courses taken at Merritt with a "P" earned in a pass/fail class as part of a conferred associate degree as listed in the appendix will be accepted for credit by CTU. Transcripts of transfer students who have not yet completed an associate degree program at Merritt will be subject to a course by course evaluation to determine which courses will be accepted for credit by CTU.

Any credit awarded by Merritt for credit by examination, dual credit, and/or prior learning as part of a conferred associate degree as listed in the appendix will be accepted for credit by CTU. Transcripts of transfer students who have not yet completed an associate degree program at Merritt will be subject to a course by course evaluation to determine which courses will be accepted for credit by CTU. In this instance, CTU will make the determination as to whether credit will be awarded for credit by examination, dual credit, and/or prior learning.

When a student initiates a change in the stated major or degree objectives after enrolling at CTU, the student assumes full responsibility for meeting the specified new degree and/or major requirements. In particular, students who have completed a Transfer Program, or credits toward that credential, and then transfer out of the baccalaureate program covered by this Agreement should anticipate potentially significant changes in degree program completion requirements. CTU therefore shall provide pre-transfer counseling to such students to alert them to the ramifications of this decision.

Terms of Agreement

This agreement will be in effect for five years from the date of execution. Renewal of the agreement with appropriate content changes will be discussed at the end of this time period.

Termination of this agreement may occur by either party with a ninety (90) day written notification, or immediately if 1) the Sending or Receiving Institution loses state or accrediting agency approval, or 2) if any regulatory agency that oversees the Sending or Receiving Institution notifies either that this Agreement violates agency standards. Such termination will have no impact upon students that have already enrolled at CTU. In the event of a termination of this Agreement, each institution will be responsible for amending any publications or websites as needed and for disposing of any brochures or related materials at their own physical locations.

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