

Articulation Agreement Between Howard Community College and Strayer University

I. PURPOSE

This articulation agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the transfer of associate degrees from Howard Community College (HCC) to Strayer University (SU).

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admissions Practices and Acceptance & Application of Credit

- 1. SU agrees that if a student satisfactorily completes any <u>related</u> associate degree and presents the appropriate transcript documentation of such to the registrar of SU, the following general principles apply:
 - a. HCC students who have a HCC cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 are guaranteed admission to SU. Once admitted, students are subject to all other policies and procedures, including residency requirement of SU, as outlined in the SU catalog.
 - b. Student is exempt from paying the SU application fee.
 - c. All courses required to complete the specific related associate's degree program will be transferred into the bachelor's program in their entirety, including "C-" and "D" grades, allowing the student to complete a related degree program at SU in about two years of full-time study. These courses are subject to SU policies, including a tenyear limitation on courses in accounting and computer-related areas.
 - d. Prior Learning Activity and other life experiences credits already evaluated as part of the associate degree program will be brought in with the degree.
- 2. Although students are encouraged to complete an associate degree prior to transfer, SU will accept applications from all HCC students. Students transferring without an associate degree will have credits evaluated on a course by course basis. Only courses in which a grade of "C" or higher was earned are eligible for transfer.
- 3. Students can transfer a maximum of 126 quarter credit hours or 84 semester credit hours. Servicemembers Opportunity College (SOC) students may transfer up to 135 quarter credit hours.
- 4. If a student does not have the prerequisite for a 300 or 400 level course at SU, he or she may be required to take the prerequisite course before taking the upper division course.
- 5. SU will evaluate courses/credits earned through Advanced Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), or other testing programs. SU also will evaluate





courses/credits earned at other institutions. Students seeking credit for these courses must provide the university with official transcripts for evaluation.

6. Students enrolling under this agreement will be subject to all Strayer University policies as outlined in the Strayer University catalog.

C. Implementation of the Agreement

- 1. SU and HCC will review this agreement every three years.
- 2. Upon request, SU will provide HCC reports on enrolled HCC transfer students, their majors, and academic performance to the extent permitted by law.
- 3. SU and HCC agree to assist each other in promoting this agreement appropriately in their respective promotional materials, events, web sites, and reports.
- 4. SU will encourage HCC transfer students to complete the appropriate Associate's Degree either before matriculation to the SU or by reverse transfer of course credit following admission to and attendance at the SU. SU will develop a reverse transfer credit process that includes the methodology to notify students after they have completed at least 90 hours at the transfer institution.
- 5. This agreement may be amended, as necessary, for specific program articulation without affecting the master agreement.
- 6. This agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party on ninety (90) days prior written notice. All notices to be given shall be delivered in writing as follows:

If to SU:

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III. SIGNATURES

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Date

Dr Kathleen Hetherington

President

Howard Community College

Date