Memorandum of Understanding Gardner Webb University and Greenville Technical College Transfer Admission Promise (TAP)

Greenville Technical College (GTC) and **Gardner Webb University (GWU)** have formed a partnership to enhance the transfer of students from GTC to GWU.

The Transfer Admission Promise with Gardner-Webb University provides a seamless admissions pathway for students completing their AA/AS/AAS pathway with Greenville Technical College (GTC). The Transfer Admission Promise provides a pathway into either Gardner-Webb University traditional undergraduate program on the Boiling Springs, NC campus or into the Degree Completion Program which offers classes online. Students must meet all applicable admission requirements as listed in the University's Catalog.

By collaborative agreement with Greenville Technical College and Gardner-Webb University, eligible students are automatically accepted upon completing their associate degree at (GTC) with a GPA of 2.5 or above on all previous college work and enrolling at Gardner-Webb within one year after graduation from GTC.

Upon successfully meeting these conditions, a student who wishes to register for classes at Gardner-Webb requests a final, official transcript be sent from GTC to Gardner-Webb University, P.O. Box 1896, Boiling Springs, NC 28017. Upon receipt of these documents, an enrollment representative from Gardner-Webb will contact the student to determine the program of the student's interest and assist with the onboarding process, including registration for classes.

Greenville Technical College Degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science, and Associate of General Education.

Gardner-Webb University: GOAL - The Degree Completion Program (online) or Traditional Undergraduate Program.

ADMISSION AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- A. GWU admission and program admission requirements apply to students who transfer under this agreement. Additionally, GTC students meeting the transfer requirements of this agreement, will be guaranteed admission to GWU and receive priority acceptance into the designated bachelor degree.
- B. Policies governing the admission, enrollment, and transfer of students are the sole purview of each institution.
- C. Students accepted into GWU program must fulfill the GTC program and graduation requirements.
- D. Each institution will provide updates of any admission policy changes prior to the start of fall semester in a given academic year. Any official policy change is subject to change without notice.
- E. Students transferring to GWU through the transfer agreement will enter under the academic provisions of catalog in place at the time of their signed declaration of intent to transfer.
- F. Both GTC and GWU agree to inform and train academic advisors concerning the terms of this agreement and the transfer of courses between the institutions. Advisor names and contact information will be given to each institution.

PROMOTION OF AGREEMENT

- A. Both GTC and GWU agree to promote this agreement to students at all GTC campuses by means of a marketing strategy approved by both institutions. A review of this marketing strategy will take place annually.
- B. For purpose of this agreement, GWU grants GTC, and GTC grants and GWU, permission to use, display, reproduce, and publish without compensation each other's trademarks as an institutional partner on websites, cobranded web portals, and in print marketing publications.
- C. GWU and GTC will provide an electronic version of the Trademarks for the use permitted by this agreement. Each party represents and warrants that it possesses all rights necessary for the granting of the permissions set forth in this agreement.
- D. GWU will provide a link for transfer agreement on the GWU website. GTC will provide a link for the agreement on the GTC website.
- E. Each institution reserves the right to review in advance any information including but not limited to, websites, cobranded web portals, and in print marketing publications.

ARTICULATION PROGRAM ADVISEMENT

- A. A GWU representative will participate in Transfer Tuesday/Thursday in the Greenville Tech's Planning and Transfer Headquarters (PATH) at least once per semester.
- B. Academic Program Coordinators at GWU will provide timely notice to GTC when changes in the curriculum occur and will assist in revising pathway documents to facilitate degree completion for transfer students.
- C. GTC will provide transcripts to GWU for participating transfer students at no charge with written permission of program applicants.
- D. GWU will accept the South Carolina Statewide Articulation Agreement of 86 courses approved by the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education for transfer from two- to four-year public institutions as part of the transfer agreement.
- E. GWU will provide student services to include access to the GWU Transfer Coordinator, designated Open House events, as well as scheduled GWU articulation program meetings with students.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF AGREEMENT

- A. Students planning to transfer to GWU will sign an Intent to Transfer form in the GTC PATH. The intent to transfer will be shared with the GWU Admissions Office. Transfer of the intent to transfer student agreements will be the responsibility of by PATH Coordinator and GWU Transfer Coordinator.
- B. Secondary admission requirements must be met to enroll in specific GWU academic programs.
- C. For GOAL-Degree Completion admission to GWU, each student must submit the following:
 - FAFSA
 - Transcripts from all prior college(s)

- D. For Traditional Undergraduate admission to GWU, each student must submit the following:
 - Housing and Enrollment Deposit
 - Immunization Records as required by law
 - Preregistration Worksheets
 - FAFSA
 - Transcripts from all prior college(s)
- E. GWU reserves the right to cancel admission offers to students who do not provide full documentation or meet the requirements for acceptance by the stated deadline.
- F. Students desiring to take advantage of the terms of the transfer agreement must complete all requirements to enjoy the rights and privileges of the agreement.
- G. Merit and or Transfer scholarships will be available for qualified transfer students.
- H. Students who have completed the intent to transfer as part of the transfer agreements will have admission/application fees waived.

TRANSFER OF CREDITS

- A. GWU will accept 64 hours of semester credit from any Greenville Technical College Associate Degree, Associate of Applied Science Degree, or General Education Degree.
- B. Courses will transfer as described in the transfer guide included in this agreement.

REVERSE TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS

- A. Gardner Webb University's Office of University Registrar and Greenville Technical College's Office of Student Records will maintain communication to promote seamless reverse transfer.
- B. Students participating in the transfer program will sign a waiver for the release of reverse transfer hours from GWU to GTC.
- C. Both GWU and GTC will highly encourage completion an associate degree at Greenville Technical College prior to transferring to GWU. However, students transferring to GWU from GTC, who completed twenty-five percent of their GTC degree prior to transfer, may qualify for reverse transfer of hours to GTC for completion of an associate degree.
- D. GWU will provide reverse transfer transcripts of program applicants to GTC at no charge with permission of the student.
- E. Courses completed at GWU may be used within graduation guidelines for Greenville Technical College to complete reverse transfer and award of certificates, diplomas, and degrees from GTC. Both institutions agree to share transfer data to be used in joint assessment activities and agreement evaluation processes.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT

A. The Chief Academic Officers or designees of the parties to this agreement will implement the terms of this agreement, including identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, assuring compliance with system policy, procedure and guidelines, and conducting an annual review of this agreement.

- B. Program curriculum and requirements listed in the Program Articulation Table are subject to change. Each institution agrees to make any changes known to the other.
- C. Gardner Webb University and Greenville Technical College will ensure that they maintain accreditation with appropriate regional accrediting body to ensure that all operations meet with accreditation requirements of the two institutions.
- D. This Transfer Agreement is effective on October 31, 2019 and shall remain in effect for five years unless terminated or amended by either party with 120 days prior written notice.
- E. This Transfer Agreement will be reviewed by both parties as required but at least annually beginning on or after October 31, 2019.

This agreement will be reviewed annually by all parties who have executed this document. If curriculum changes are identified by either institution at any time, parties from both institutions will review and approve the proposed changes and make necessary updates to the course equivalency outline. All changes, additions or deletions to this agreement shall be made in writing and executed by authorized representative(s) of each party. The parties have executed this agreement in duplicate originals, one of each, which will be retained by each of the parties and is effective as of the date of the last signature.



ADDENDUM 1:

INSTITUTIONAL AUTHORIZATION

Gardner Webb University and Greenville Technical College have signed this Agreement to be duly executed and agree to be bound thereby

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