Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) and Pellissippi State Technical Community College (PSTCC) have entered into a partnership that promotes student transfer and program articulation. The partnership will help with the transfer of associate degree course credit to bachelor’s degree requirements for individual programs or concentration areas.

The intent of the agreement is to encourage PSTCC students to complete the associate degree under the terms of the agreement prior to transfer to MTSU. PSTCC students who successfully complete the terms of the attached agreement with an Associate of Science degree, including the TBR American History requirement, will enter MTSU with junior status, with all PSTCC credit accepted in transfer without evaluation on a course-by-course basis. All other academic regulations of the major degree, college/school and university standards (such as grade point average and retention requirements) must be satisfied. Students in the articulated program with MTSU will not be expected to meet any additional (or fewer) requirements than non-transfer MTSU students.

1. For participating students, the articulation agreement is effective for six years from the date of original entry into the articulation agreement at PSTCC. If more than six years elapse from the student’s initial date of participation under the agreement, the articulation agreement in place at the time of transfer to MTSU will determine the student’s progress toward baccalaureate degree completion.

2. PSTCC will signify on the student’s transcript that the associate degree was completed according to the articulated curricula. MTSU will, when evaluating the student’s transcript, honor the terms of the agreement for admission to MTSU.

3. In order to be eligible for admission to MTSU under the terms of the agreement, the student must have an associate degree in the major/emphasis specified from PSTCC and a minimum 2.0 grade point average.

4. For students not completing an associate degree, MTSU will evaluate transcripts on a course-by-course basis, and students must meet the standards and follow the procedures of the current MTSU undergraduate catalog.

5. When entering MTSU, students must meet the standards and follow the procedures outlined in the MTSU undergraduate catalog for the year they enroll in the articulated program at MTSU, or they may elect to follow the current MTSU catalog. If more than six years elapse after initial PSTCC enrollment in the articulation agreement, the transferring student must meet the terms of the current MTSU catalog.

6. In addition to the specific course requirements for a bachelor’s degree, all transfer students must satisfy any specific program, major, or degree requirements that might be required for progression and retention in a specific program as well as all of the university’s requirements for residency and graduation.

7. The awarding or use of any nontraditional credit (e.g. CLEP, AP credit-by-exam, military services, etc.) must be approved by the degree-granting institution.

8. This agreement will be reviewed whenever major changes are proposed by either institution and will remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the duly authorized signatory of either.

9. This agreement will commence fall semester 2007.

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