## TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH GUARANTEED ADMISSION

#### **BETWEEN**

### VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

#### AND

#### **CAMPUS.EDU**

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU), located in Richmond, Virginia, and Campus (formerly MTI College), located in Sacramento, California, recognize the need for and importance of facilitating the transfer of students and their credits from one institution to the other as they pursue their educational goals. Campus and VCU enter into this transfer agreement to provide students who earn the Associate of Arts in Business Administration at Campus an opportunity for guaranteed admission to the following online bachelor degree programs at VCU: Bachelor of Science in Accounting and the Bachelor of Science in Marketing. Campus students who do not meet the requirements described herein are encouraged to apply and may be considered for admission under the regular admission procedures of the University.

### Section 1: Definition of Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA)

An agreement between institutions of higher education according to which a student is guaranteed admission to the four-year institution by earning a transfer associate degree or a specified applied degree and satisfying specified academic benchmarks and criteria.

## Section 2: Requirements for Admission

## A. Applicable Associate Degrees:

This agreement applies to the Associate of Arts in Business Administration offered at Campus.

## B. Minimum GPA requirement:

A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for credits earned at Campus is required. VCU will recognize the cumulative GPA as recorded on the Campus transcript and not recalculate based on multiple course attempts. Courses transferred into Campus are not included in the GPA computation.

## C. Limitations due to academic or disciplinary record:

VCU reserves the right to deny admission or enrollment to students who have been academically dismissed or suspended or to those convicted of a felony. Disciplinary records are considered in determining eligibility for admission and enrollment.

### D. Course requirements:

In order for credits to transfer to VCU, students are required to earn a grade of "C" or better in Campus courses.

## E. Minimum credits to be completed at associate degree institution:

Students are required to earn the Associate of Arts in Business Administration from Campus with a minimum of 92 quarter or 60 semester transfer credits.

### F. Maximum credits applicable for transfer:

A maximum of 90 semester transfer credits will apply towards the bachelor's degree requirements. However, VCU recommends that students complete no more than the minimum number of credits required for completion of the associate degree.

## G. Testing requirements:

No test scores are required.

#### H. Admission application and enrollment:

Students must complete the standard Transfer Application by the priority deadlines established on the VCU Office of Admissions website and are expected to enroll within one year of completing the associate degree. If needed, students admitted through the GAA may request a one-year extension for their enrollment.

### I. Transcript submission:

Students are required to provide official transcripts from Campus with the Transfer Application. Students must submit an official transcript from Campus including all final grades and documentation of the conferred associate degree within one month of enrollment at VCU.

- Section 3: Application of Associate Degree to General Education Requirement Completion of the Associate of Arts in Business Administration at Campus satisfies all lower-division general education requirements at VCU. This agreement may be used for re-entry into VCU by students admitted to VCU prior to completion of the associate degree. However, students readmitted to VCU will not be eligible for a waiver of VCU's general education requirements.
- Section 4: Applications of this Agreement to Students Earning Credit for Prior Learning Credit for courses completed through Advanced Placement, Cambridge, CLEP, DANTES, International Baccalaureate, and Armed Services experience will be accepted according to stated policies for acceptance of credit, which can be found in the VCU Undergraduate Bulletin for the year the GAA student enters VCU. For these credits to be accepted by VCU, GAA students are responsible for submitting the necessary transcripts or documentation of this additional coursework to VCU no later than the end of the first semester of enrollment at VCU.

## Section 5: Completion Criteria and Catalog Determination

VCU will honor the degree requirements of the VCU Undergraduate Bulletin in effect at the time of the student's matriculation at VCU.

## Section 6: Administration of Agreement

The VCU officials responsible for all VCU aspects of the GAA are the Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and the Vice President for Strategic Enrollment Management and Student Success or his/her/their designee. The Campus official responsible for all Campus aspects of the GAA is the General Manager of University Partnerships or his/her designee.

Any notice to be given hereunder shall be given in writing by email. Notice shall be deemed received upon delivery to the party to whom the notice is directed or to its agent, in the case of Campus to the Chief Legal Officer (legalnotices@campus.edu), with copy to Scott Booth (scott.booth@campus.edu); and, in the case of VCU to the Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs (svpacadaffrs@vcu.edu) with copies to the Vice President for Strategic Enrollment Management and Student Success (vpsemss@vcu.edu).

Both academic institutions agree that they will promptly inform the other of any substantive changes in academic requirements, course or program of study or any other change that may affect this agreement. Campus and VCU agree to provide annual updates on newly added or approved courses to be considered for credit transfer acceptance.

For purposes of this Agreement/MOU, the parties are considered to be "school officials with legitimate educational interests" under FERPA and may share student data between them.

This agreement shall be effective on the date last signed by the President of VCU and the President of Campus, and shall remain in effect for an initial period of four (4) years. The agreement may be renewed for set terms of three years thereafter upon written agreement of both parties. Termination may be made by either party upon one (1) year prior written notice.

The signed Agreement will be maintained on the websites of both institutions.

#### Campus Responsibilities

• Campus will publicize this agreement to current Campus students in its promotional material.

### **VCU** Responsibilities

- VCU will provide transfer advising services to Campus students, including, but not limited to, reviewing unofficial transcripts and course recommendations.
- VCU will provide Campus students with transfer major maps on the VCU website

(<u>https://majormaps.vcu.edu/transfer</u>) that provide advising guidance and 2+2 course pathways that articulate requirements for both the associate's and bachelor's degree.

- VCU will provide incoming Campus students with VCU financial aid information and ensure that Campus students receive full considerations for VCU financial aid, upon matriculation at VCU.
- VCU will ensure that Campus graduates entering VCU under the terms of this agreement will have all the rights and privileges of other VCU students.
- Both parties agree to identify their collaborative relationship on applicable websites subject to the terms of this Agreement/MOU. VCU acknowledges and agrees that its name and logo may be used for Campus recruitment, promotional, and reporting materials to provide information about and promote the educational opportunities and programs contemplated in this agreement. Use of VCU's logo must comply with VCU brand standards and guidelines (see https://brand.vcu.edu/site/index). Except as set forth in this agreement, Campus will not use the name or logo of VCU in any advertising or publicity material or make any form of representation or statement in relation to the Agreement that would constitute an express or implied endorsement of any product or service, nor will it authorize others to do so, without first having obtained written permission from VCU.

### **Section 7: Review Clause**

This Agreement does not create a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between the parties of any kind or nature. This Agreement does not create any fiduciary or other obligation between the parties, except for those obligations expressly and specifically set forth herein. Neither party shall have any right, power, or authority under this Agreement to act as a legal representative of the other party, and neither party shall have any power or authority to obligate or bind the other or to make any representations, express or implied, on behalf of or in the name of the other in any manner or for any purpose whatsoever. Each party acknowledges that the relationship of the parties hereunder is non-exclusive.

This Agreement embodies the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof and may only be changed by an instrument in writing signed by all parties hereto. No representation, warranty, undertaking or covenant is made by any party hereto except as contained herein and any others are specifically disclaimed. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia (i.e., without regard to its conflicts of law rules). This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors but shall not inure to the benefit of any third-party beneficiary. This Agreement and any rights hereunder may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other, and any purported assignment without consent shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this contract, or the breach thereof, shall be settled by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

VCU and Campus will review this agreement and the student tracking data every three years to adjust as deemed appropriate to maintain its integrity and value and for the improvement of the transfer process. Changes will not be applied retroactively to students already enrolled or registered under the provisions of the existing GAA.

**Signatures** 

Michael Rao, PhD

President

Virginia Commonwealth University

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10/1/2024

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Date

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