ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
between
Kaplan University and Seminole Community College

I. PURPOSE
The purpose of this articulation agreement (the Agreement) is to establish procedures and guidelines for students to transfer to a Kaplan University (KU) degree program following completion of an associate’s degree program at any campus location of Seminole Community College, of Sanford, Florida. With respect to courses of study that lead to an associate’s degree, both Kaplan and Seminole Community College will facilitate the transfer of associate-degree graduates to baccalaureate completion programs at KU. The KU advanced start baccalaureate program is designed to maximize a students’ transfer credit award.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admission to Kaplan University
1. Participating students shall complete either an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science Degree program at Seminole Community College.
2. Applicants will be required to complete all Kaplan University admission requirements in force at the time of application. Kaplan University admissions requirements are detailed in its most recent catalog.
3. To be eligible for application to an advanced start bachelor’s program, a student must be an associate-degree graduate or must submit a letter from the Seminole Community College’s Registrar indicating that the student is expected to graduate within two terms, is in good standing, the expected date of graduation, the associate’s degree expected to be earned, and the program/major. Upon graduation, the student must submit proof of having been awarded an associate’s degree.
4. Upon acceptance and signing of the Kaplan University enrollment agreement, transfer students will be subject to all Kaplan University policies, codes of conduct, college procedures, and requirements. These are described in the most recent Kaplan University catalog.

B. Credit Transferability
1. Students having completed an associate’s degree program (AA, or AS, consisting of a minimum of 90 quarter credits (or the equivalent of 60 semester credits) will be eligible for a block transfer of up to 90-quarter credits or 60 semester credits and acceptance into Kaplan’s “advanced start” baccalaureate option.
2. Per the Kaplan University catalog description of Repeated courses, and akin to Florida’s Grade Forgiveness statute, the grade received on the last repeat becomes the final grade and will replace all other grades for that course in the cumulative GPA calculation. All course attempts remain on the transcript. Transfer courses are noted as such on the Kaplan University transcript and are not calculated into the cumulative GPA at KU.
3. Kaplan University will complete a review of all transfer credits submitted on official transcripts from Seminole Community College for students that have completed a program. A Prior Learning Assessment Curriculum Evaluation (PLACE) may be developed to aid in the transfer credit evaluation process. Students may earn up to 40 quarter credits, or 27 semester credits for work and life experience based on PLACE.

4. Credits used towards graduation from Seminole Community College that were earned from the following acceleration mechanisms recognized by the Florida Department of Education will be accepted by Kaplan University: the College Level Equivalency Program (CLEP), the International Baccalaureate (IB) program, Advanced Placement (AP) program or dual enrollment. Kaplan University reserves the right to make a final determination on all matters related to course equivalency of the courses and transferability and course equivalencies of any other credit.

5. Seminole Community College students who are unable to fulfill Kaplan University prerequisites at Seminole Community College must complete them at Kaplan University. Prerequisites are listed in its current catalog and vary based on the bachelor’s degree program and emphasis chosen.

6. Seminole Community College students must fulfill Kaplan University requirements, which entail completion of no less than 25-percent of their program requirements at Kaplan, including a minimum of 50-percent of the major requirements, including the capstone course, at Kaplan. Credit earned through any combination of Transfer Credit, Challenge Credit or Experiential Credit will not exceed 75-percent of total credits required for graduation.

C. Coordination

1. Kaplan University and Seminole Community College agree to:
   a. Coordinate their efforts to facilitate a collegial and mutually beneficial relationship;
   b. Provide accurate and timely information about the relationship to prospective students, who are either current Seminole Community College students, alumni, or Seminole Community College employees, and;
   c. Designate academic alliance coordinators as primary contact persons for the respective institutions to facilitate coordination of this agreement.

2. Kaplan University agrees to:
   a. Provide Seminole Community College relevant transfer information and current Kaplan University brochures and/or catalogs;
   b. Communicate with Seminole Community College students, alumni and employees via e-mail, postal mail, telephone, and other means to offer them the opportunity of enrolling in a bachelor’s completion program at Kaplan University;
   c. Participate in Seminole Community College education fairs when offered by College and if available;
   d. Encourage Seminole Community College students who are attending classes at Seminole Community College to enroll at Kaplan University after completing their current program;
   e. Provide Seminole Community College with a toll-free telephone number (866-583-4417) so that Seminole Community College alumni and employees can discuss their educational goals with a Kaplan advisor, and;

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f. Provide a welcome page for Seminole Community College’s alumni and employees at the www.cc.kaplan.edu website.

3. Seminole Community College agrees to:
   a. Assist Kaplan University by communicating the benefits of this relationship to Seminole Community College students, alumni, and employees;
   b. Allow Kaplan University representatives to conduct on-campus presentations and marketing regarding Kaplan University programs for Seminole Community College students, alumni, and employees;
   c. Make a summary available to students, alumni, staff, and faculty about the agreement to which Kaplan University and Seminole Community College mutually agree, and;
   d. Cooperate with KU to establish transfer of curriculum and of student records, when applicable, and with student permission in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Seminole Community College will release student records and transcripts to KU upon request by the student.

4. Kaplan University and Seminole Community College will share data on student achievement as necessary to assess program effectiveness in accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) guidelines.

III. Terms

A. Because of this agreement to articulate, Kaplan University will extend professional courtesy discounts to Seminole Community College alumni and employees concomitant with the date of the fully executed document.
   1. Seminole Community College alumni and employees will receive a ten percent discount on their Kaplan tuition. Seminole Community College alumni and employees must inform KU admissions directors about their affiliation to receive their discount;
   2. Kaplan University will extend to Seminole Community College alumni and employees all of its online certificates, undergraduate, and graduate programs, as and when offered;

B. Kaplan Test Preparatory Admission Centers: Kaplan Nursing of KTPA will offer the following discount to members of the articulation agreement:
   1. 20% off retail price of Kaplan Nursing Complete Classroom or online course
   2. The discount is not available for the NCLEX-RN Qbank or NCLEX-PN Qbank products
   3. The discount is not available for the NCLEX-RN or NCLEX-PN Integrated Testing programs
   4. The discount cannot be combined with any other offer or discount
   5. KTPA Nursing will provide NCLEX Strategy Seminars at the nursing schools to all graduating classes without cost or obligation.
C. This agreement is subject to review and is subject to change if modifications are made to the programs of study at either institution.

D. This Agreement is effective for the Kaplan University academic term beginning with the date of the fully executed document, and shall continue until terminated. Both parties must approve amendments to the Agreement in writing.

E. Either party may terminate the Agreement upon 90 days written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may terminate the Agreement immediately in the event that participation under the Agreement may give rise to a violation of any requirement of federal or state law or regulation or the requirements of any accrediting agency having jurisdiction.

This agreement is subject to change and/or modification by mutual written consent between the parties hereto. It is understood that this agreement may be modified by Kaplan University with the directives of the President or academic leadership at Kaplan University, the Statutes governing Kaplan University, or the policies of the Board of Trustees of Kaplan University, or by Seminole Community College in accord with the directives of the Seminole Community College Board of Trustees or State Board of Education.

The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that Seminole Community College is a political subdivision of the State of Florida. As such, the College’s performance under this Agreement and any amendments hereto or attachments connected herewith, shall at all times be subject to any and all state laws, state regulations and District Board of Trustee policies.
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