

**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Collin College and Bethel University**

Introduction

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated as of June 10, 2013 (Effective Date) is by and between Bethel University (Bethel) and Collin College (Collin). This MOU formally recognizes that Collin and Bethel are active educational partners, committed to providing greater educational opportunities and services for students transferring between institutions. This commitment strongly supports the concept of seamless transfer that embraces the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already achieved.

Collin and Bethel enter into this MOU in the spirit of cooperation and mutually recognize each other as quality institutions of higher learning.

Purpose

The purpose of the MOU is to enable Collin students who transfer to Bethel to carry with them the credit they have already earned for as much relevant study as possible. The MOU provides a structure through which transfer articulation on all levels can be supported. Bethel understands and agrees that transfer articulation is with Collin as a whole and not with individual campuses within the District. Therefore, it is understood and agreed that courses taken at any Collin campus is considered equally transferable. This is particularly important at Collin where students may be enrolled at more than one Collin campus.

Collin College Associate Degrees

This MOU establishes the principle that all associate degrees [Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT), and Associate of Applied Science (AAS)] at Collin transfer to Bethel. Bethel agrees to accept, as transfer credit, any coursework that is applied toward a Collin degree. Vocational coursework applied to an AAS degree will be evaluated and applied to bachelor degrees on a case by case basis.

Collin graduates will not have to repeat lower-division requirements at Bethel. Collin graduates with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0, as calculated by Collin, entering under the terms of this agreement are guaranteed admission into the university.

Collin graduates will go through the Bethel transfer process and therefore must meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures, along with any revisions thereof, which apply to all students from that institution.

Collin College – Core Curriculum

Completion of the Texas Common Core Curriculum for the AA, AS, and AAT, a 42 semester block of general education credit, will transfer as a block and will satisfy lower-division general education requirements at Bethel for any bachelor's degree except for six hours of religion or philosophy. The core can be transferred and accepted as a component of an associate degree or as a standalone general education block not affiliated with an associate degree.

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Collin College Associates of Applied Science (AAS) Degrees

The AAS degree represents the attainment of in depth technical competency in identified occupational arenas. Students transferring an AAS degree to Bethel will have achieved competency in many areas generally considered to be upper division coursework. Some competencies in the area of general education may still need to be obtained. Bethel will provide AAS transfer students with a flexible degree plan that identifies upper division general education competencies that will meet Bethel's baccalaureate degree requirements. In effect, this flexibility represents an inverted transfer degree plan. For Collin students who take core courses within their AAS degree, such core courses will be transferable.

Total Number of Transferable Credits

The maximum number of transfer credits that can be accepted and applied toward degree completion is based on Bethel's upper division coursework requirements. This transfer credit limit will be the difference between the total credits required for degree completion and the university upper division requirement.

Joint Obligations

Collin and Bethel agree to provide direct links between their institutional websites, indicating the existence of this agreement.

Official lists of programs (AA, AS, AAT, AAS) for which articulation agreements have been approved by both Collin and Bethel will be made available at both institutions.

Collin and Bethel agree to exchange data and documents that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of these transfer arrangements, and promote effective cooperation between the two institutions.

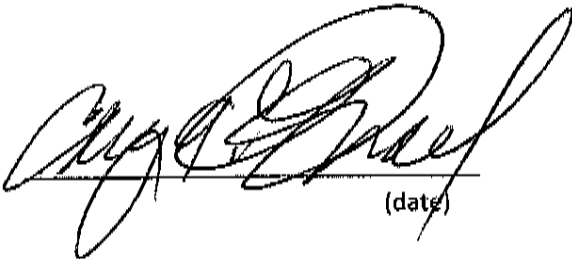
Evaluation & Longevity of the Agreement

There will be an annual evaluation process of the partnership supported by this MOU. The information obtained from this evaluation will be used to improve the transfer process for the benefit of students.

This MOU is in perpetuity or until it is discontinued by either educational partner by submitting written notification to the other partner 60 days prior to the identified cancellation date in order to protect all students transferring between these institutions.

Collin College

Cary A. Israel, President

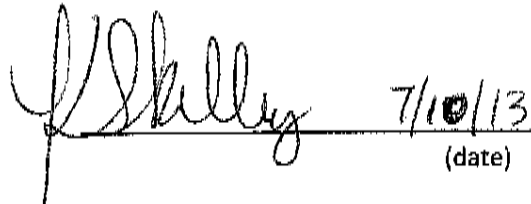


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