# COLUMBIA COLLEGE AND NORTH CENTRAL MISSOURI COLLEGE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

This Articulation Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into by and between Columbia College, with its principal place of business located at 1001 Rogers Street, Columbia, Missouri 65216 ("Columbia College") and North Central Missouri College; 1301 Main St, Trenton, MO 64683 ("North Central Missouri College") (Columbia College and North Central Missouri College referred to as the "Parties") as of the date set forth below and reflects the terms, conditions and understanding of the Parties related to the subject matter set forth herein.

## I. COLUMBIA COLLEGE

Columbia College is a private, non-profit, coeducational institution of higher education that offers associate, bachelor's, and master's degrees and certificates. Columbia College is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Columbia College students may enroll in day, evening, or online education classes at the main campus in Columbia, Missouri, or in its Columbia College Global Division at one of the many Nationwide locations.

# II. PARTNERED SCHOOL

North Central Missouri College, formerly Trenton Junior College, was founded in 1925 and is the second oldest publicly-supported community college in Missouri. At its inception, it was part of a K-14 education system operated by a joint Board of Education/Board of Trustees and a school superintendent/college president.

## III. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

Columbia College and North Central Missouri College desire to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of establishing the guidelines to facilitate the transfer of academic credit earned by students at North Central Missouri College for application towards a baccalaureate degree at Columbia College.

#### IV. TRANSFER OF CREDIT

#### A. Credit Hours

At least 39 course credit hours must be taken in upper level courses to earn a bachelor's degree from Columbia College. The remaining course credit hours required for a bachelor's may be completed at Columbia College, North Central Missouri College, or with other transfer credit hours approved by Columbia College. North Central Missouri College students must also complete a minimum of 30 course credit hours in Columbia College courses to satisfy the Columbia College residency requirement.

#### B. General Education

Columbia College will accept the North Central Missouri College Associate in Arts and Associate in Arts in Teaching degrees as satisfying all of the Columbia College general education requirements.

Columbia College will accept the North Central Missouri College Associate in Applied Science, Associate in General Studies, or any other associate degree not specifically mentioned in this agreement as satisfying all of the Columbia College general education requirements if the student completes the following coursework:

- EN 102 English II with a grade of "C" or better
- At least 30 additional semester hours that meet the Columbia College requirement in the Arts and Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences and Natural Science and Mathematics areas with at least one course in each area.

#### C. Individual Courses

Credits earned at North Central Missouri College and/or other accredited institutions of higher education will be evaluated individually by the Columbia College Office of the Registrar. Columbia College will provide a Course Equivalency Guide to North Central Missouri College academic advisors and administrators for reference. If approved and accepted by Columbia College, credits earned at North Central Missouri College in courses above developmental level, for which the student earned a grade of "C" or better, will be accepted for transfer credit to Columbia College, and will be granted the Columbia College equivalency listed on the Course Equivalency Guide.

#### D. Concurrent Enrollment

Students who complete an approved associate degree with North Central Missouri College at any time during their pursuit of a bachelor's degree with Columbia College, are eligible for the general education waiver. Students who complete any other associate degree with North Central Missouri College, during their pursuit of a bachelor's degree with Columbia College, may complete additional course work to fulfill the general education requirements, outlined in Section B. Once all the general education waiver requirements are met and the associate degree is awarded, the student will be eligible for the general education waiver. Course work may be completed with Columbia College, North Central Missouri College or any other accredited institution from whom transfer credit is accepted by the Columbia College Office of the Registrar.

# V. COLUMBIA COLLEGE ADMISSION

Students who complete an associate degree from North Central Missouri College will be considered as having met Columbia College's academic admissions requirements.

#### VI. DURATION OF AGREEMENT

The Agreement will remain in effect until either Party sends a letter of intent to terminate the Agreement to the non-terminating Party at least sixty (60) days prior to the termination date.

### VII. REVISION OF AGREEMENT

Items not specifically mentioned within this Agreement will be governed by the Columbia College Catalog. Amendments and/or revisions to this Agreement may be made in writing at any time by mutual consent of the Parties. Such amendments and/or revisions shall be prepared in the form of an addendum to this Agreement. Both Parties shall work cooperatively to review and to update regularly specific items or operational procedures included in this Agreement.

#### VII. PUBLICITY

This Agreement will be publicized as a cooperative degree completion program for students of North Central Missouri College. Through joint informational meetings and individual counseling by both institutions, both Parties to this Agreement will be responsible for publicizing the terms of this Agreement to their students. Non-degree-seeking students will be subject to the policies and procedures of both institutions. All questions regarding policies and procedures of either institution will be answered by the designated representative of that institution and by reference to the current published Catalog or Bulletin of that institution.

This Agreement is entered into and effective this 46 day of 471, 202

SO AGREED:

**COLUMBIA COLLEGE** 

By: Plyusha Singh, PhD

Provost

Vice President, Online Education

NORTH CENTRAL MISSOURI

COLLEGE

By: Dr. Lenny Klave

President

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