



.ARIZONA ATTAINMENT ALLIANCE

HONORS COLLEGE ADMISSIONS, ARTICULATION AND TRANSFER CREDITS

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (hereafter "MOA") is made and entered into this 1st day of May, 2024, by and between the ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY, (hereafter "NAU") and COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (hereafter "College"), each a "Party" and collectively the "Parties," to promote and support articulation and transfer of College Honors students to NAU's Honors College.

RECITALS

1. WHEREAS, the Arizona Attainment Alliance (A++) was formed in September 2022 and the Parties entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement titled "Arizona Attainment Alliance" dated October 20, 2023 ("IGA"); and
2. WHEREAS, the IGA permits the Parties to enter into memorandum of agreements for cooperative initiatives; and
3. WHEREAS, the Parties will work cooperatively to promote and support the articulation and transfer of College's honor students to NAU's Honors College.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual obligations and covenants set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – AUTHORITY AND LAWS

1. This MOA and all claims arising out of or relating to this MOA shall be governed exclusively by the laws of the State of Arizona.
2. The terms and conditions of the IGA shall govern this MOA and are incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE 2 – TERM AND TERMINATION

1. The effective date of this MOA will be May 1, 2024 and will end on June 30, 2027, unless otherwise terminated as provided herein, and may be renewed, revised, or modified by a written addendum signed by both Parties.

2. If either Party loses United States Department of Education recognized accreditation, the other Party has the right to terminate this MOA retroactive to the date the accreditation was lost.
3. Any Party may terminate its participation in this MOA, in whole or in part, with or without cause, upon ninety (90) days' written notice to the other Party, provided however, that services contemplated hereunder shall continue throughout a semester if termination occurred mid-semester.
4. This MOA will terminate upon termination of the IGA.

ARTICLE 3 – PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOA is for the Parties to promote and support articulation and transfer of College's honors students to NAU in its Honors College.

ARTICLE 4 – COSTS

Each Party to this MOA shall be responsible for each Party's own costs for performance of its respective obligations. The Parties do not currently anticipate the need for a budget but will create one should the need arise.

ARTICLE 5 – PROGRAM MANAGEMENT POINTS OF CONTACT

The Parties shall appoint a lead point of contact for program management of this MOA to coordinate this educational collaboration and provide such information to the other Party within one (1) month from the execution of this MOA. These individuals will work with the other Party to provide oversight, planning, support, direction, and execution for admission and articulation and transfer undertaken by this MOA.

Email alone is appropriate for typically communications as to the development and operation of the programs included under this MOA. Any change in the positions identified of persons to coordinate the educational collaboration will be communicated to the other Party within one (1) week of the identification of such change.

ARTICLE 6 – ADMISSION, ARTICULATION AND TRANSFER

1. Admission
 - a. NAU's Honors College will offer automatic admission to College students who:
 - complete nine (9) credits or more of honors coursework at College; and
 - have a grade point average (GPA) of 3.30 or better.
 - b. Completion of the Honors Certificate at College is not required for this admission to NAU's Honors College. However, transferring students may still choose to complete the Honors Certificate to be eligible for scholarships.
 - c. Transferring students who don't meet the requirements for this admission may also apply to the NAU's Honors College.

- d. This MOA covers admission to NAU's Honors College only and does not guarantee admission to NAU nor completion of NAU general education or liberal studies requirements.
- 2. Articulation
 - a. Proposal for transfer articulation between College programs and NAU programs may be initiated by either Party. Articulation recommendations will be coordinated by the NAU Vice Provost for Academic and Workforce Alliance in collaboration with the NAU Provost's Office, and may require the approval of the appropriate academic units at both institutions, as required by each institution.
 - b. Course-to-course articulation will be managed through the AZ Transfer Protocol through evaluation of student transcripts and use of NAU's Transfer Pathways pages and the "Jacks Path" tool. The Parties will work together to provide a guided transfer pathway that encourages associate degree completion before transferring to NAU.
 - c. NAU will assign Enrollment Management Coordinators to assist students with degree planning, admission, general student services and transition to NAU. Transition counseling will ideally be provided by the NAU Enrollment Management Coordinator in the semester prior to the term the student will transition to NAU.
 - d. Under the current AZ Transfer Protocol and AZ Course Equivalency Guide, up to fifteen (15) College honors credits are transferable to NAU's Honors College requirements.

ARTICLE 7 - FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

Student educational records are protected by the United States Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. §1232g and its implementing regulations ("FERPA"). The Parties will comply with FERPA and will not access or make any disclosures of student educational records to third parties without prior notice to and consent from the other Party or as otherwise provided by law. If this MOA requires or permits either Party to access or release any student records, then, for the purpose of this MOA only, such Party shall designate the other Party as a "school official" for such Party under FERPA, as that term is used in FERPA.

ARTICLE 8 – MARKETING AND OUTREACH

The assigned Enrollment Management Coordinator will serve as the first NAU point of contact for College students. The NAU Enrollment Management Coordinator is also expected to work closely with College's advisement team to keep each Party informed about changes to existing programs, new programs, and/or any relevant updates. All recruitment activities will be coordinated between NAU's Enrollment Management Coordinator/Enrollment Management Manager and the College's advisement team, as well as appropriate College faculty. To increase awareness and visibility of this educational collaboration, in-person and virtual recruitment activities can include but are not limited to the following: Classroom Presentations, Information Sessions, Club Presentations, and Transfer Fairs.

Marketing and outreach materials referenced in this MOA will be subject to approval by each Party. There is a reciprocal right and license between the Parties to publish and/or use the other Party's logos or trademarks for limited purposes connected to the marketing of programs and services provided by

this MOA. Each Party retains all right, title, and interest in its respective logos and trademarks and can unilaterally withdraw this right and license at any time by providing written notice to the other Party.

ARTICLE 9 - DATA SHARING

- 1) To promote and measure the success of this educational collaboration, the Parties agree to share student data in order to encourage participation in the transfer program, analyze the admission pipeline from College honor students to NAU's Honors College, and evaluate the enrollment in the program.
- 2) Transfer to NAU for program students will be coded and tracked in the information management systems at both institutions. Information will be shared on a read-only basis and will comply with FERPA and other applicable privacy regulations.

ARTICLE 10 – NOTICES

All official written notices (e.g., addenda or documents affecting the provisions of this MOA) will be sent in accordance with the Notices section in the IGA.

ARTICLE 11 – COUNTERPARTS

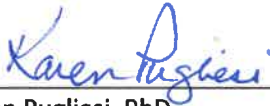
This MOA may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

ARTICLE 12 – ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This MOA represents the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with regards to the subject matter of this MOA and supersedes any prior written or verbal agreements between the Parties. All amendments or modifications of this MOA shall be in writing and approved by the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have read and agree to the terms and conditions and have executed this MOA on the date set forth above.

FOR: ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY



Karen Pugliesi, PhD
Executive Vice President and University Provost

6/25/24

Date

FOR: COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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Dr. Eric A. Heiser, President & CEO

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