# MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ARTICULATION

THIS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ("MOA") between NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
("NATIONAL") a non-profit, public benefit corporation, organized under the laws of the State
of California, United States of America, and Clark State Community College is made as of this
30 <sup>th</sup> day ofJuly, 2018 with reference to the following facts:

## **ARTICLE 1 RECITAL:**

- I.1 National University is a private institution of higher education accredited by the Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges ("WASC") and other accrediting agencies. National maintains its administrative offices in La Jolla, California, and has 27 campuses located throughout California and in Nevada. It is dedicated to making lifelong learning opportunities accessible to a diverse population of learners.
- 1.2 National University offers both undergraduate and graduate degree programs in the College of Letters and Sciences, the Sanford College of Education and four schools: the School of Business and Management, the School of Engineering and Computing, the School of Health and Human Services, and the School of Professional Studies. National offers courses in a traditional classroom setting, delivers in a one-course-per-month format and various online programs, delivered via the internet, and other digital technologies. A list of the current courses and programs offered by National can be found on its website at <a href="https://www.nu.edu">www.nu.edu</a>.
- 1.3 National University is an affiliate of the National University System ("NUS"). The National University System is an alliance of operationally-independent and separately-accredited entities offering a variety of educational programs to diverse constituencies. The National University System includes: National University, John F. Kennedy University, City

University of Seattle, National University Virtual High School and National University Academy.

- 1.4 Clark State Community College is a post-secondary with a campus in Springfield, and locations including Beavercreek, and Bellefontaine, Ohio as well as online. Clark State serves the needs of students by offering associate degrees, continuing education programs, career and technical education, and economic development.
- 1.5 National and Clark State Community College representatives will exchange information about their institutions as required to facilitate this agreement and the projects described herein.
- 1.6 National and Clark State Community College believe that an affiliation between the two institutions will provide opportunities consistent with their missions, including diversifying their academic program offerings, broadening their student populations, and providing expanded opportunities for students.
- 1.7 National and Clark State Community College agree that it is to their mutual benefit to establish an affiliation as outlined in this MOA.
- 1.8 It is the express intent of the parties that the relationship contemplated by this MOA be conducted and implemented in a manner that is in strict compliance with the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1001, et seq. ("HEA") and its implementing regulations.

## **ARTICLE 2 PURPOSES:**

2.1 The purpose of this MOA is to acknowledge that students of Clark State Community College in order to pursue a baccalaureate degree, they may transfer to a National baccalaureate degree program following completion of a certificate or associate degree program. Students must meet all National requirements and guidelines for admission to National University.

#### **ARTICLE 3 ELEMENTS:**

3.1 To be eligible for application to an advance start bachelor's degree program at National, the student must be currently enrolled as a student at Clark State Community College pursuing a transferable associate degree. If a student chooses to enroll concurrently, he/she must sign a release of records to enable National and Clark State Community College to coordinate the student records and advising.

## **ARTICLE 4 PROGRAMS:**

- 4.1 The total program shall satisfy all requirements for the degrees sought at Clark State Community College and National.
- 4.2 Clark State Community College graduates will be given first priority for admission to courses and programs that are conducted as part of the agreement.

## **ARTICLE 5 ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES:**

5.1 National shall have exclusive control over all academic issues, which shall include, without limitation: selection of course content and required textbooks (electronic); delivery of instructional programs; selection, approval and payment of faculty; admission, registration, and retention of students; evaluation of students prior education; evaluation of students' progress; scheduling of courses; awarding academic credit; and conferring degrees.

#### **ARTICLE 6 TERMS:**

- 6.1 So as to assure the admissions and academic success of participating students, National and Clark State Community College agree to develop, maintain, and improve, as necessary, a program management system.
- **6.2** Each institution will:

- a) Publicize the agreement and program among its students and faculty
- b) List degree programs in the appropriate publication and web sites of the institution
- Exchange regularly updated copies of their general catalogs and other publications, which
  may be helpful in advising students
- d) Provide timely information about significant changes in the program and programs of study that relate to the preparation of participating program students
- e) Provide any other information that may be helpful with monitoring and supporting the academic success of participating program students
- f) Provide the opportunity for National to participate in Clark State Community College Transfer Fairs
- g) Assess the program annually in collaboration to all prospective Clark State Community
   College transfer students
- 6.3 National University will offer the following scholarship to transfer students from Clark State Community College, who enrolls in National University courses onsite or online. Students who are transferring from Clark State Community College may be eligible for the *Transfer to Success* Scholarship program.

#### Transfer to Success

National University is committed to supporting the success and achievement of community college students continuing their academic journey through its Transfer to Success Scholarship. This scholarship is designed to assist undergraduate students pursuing a bachelor's degree and who are transferring from a California community college or another community college which has a signed agreement with National University. The award will pay up to \$5,000 and the

admission fee will be credited to the student's account. Students who meet the eligibility criteria outline below will automatically be considered for this scholarship following formal acceptance to the University. To be eligible, a student must meet the following requirements:

- Be enrolling for the first time at the University
- Be in good academic standing at the community college and have a 2.0 incoming grade point average at the time of application to National University
- Have completed at least 30 semester units at an approved community college
- Have completed their last semester at an approved community college within 24 months of applying
- Be formally accepted to the University (all transcripts must be submitted within 30 days of applying)

Transfer to Success Scholarship funds will only be applied toward the tuition cost for academic coursework. The award will cover 50% of two courses completed within the first six months, and full tuition for the last two courses in the degree program.

6.4 Employees and alumni will be eligible to receive a 15% percent discount on the cost of National University tuition for all National courses taken onsite or online.

#### **ARTICLE 7 INDEMNIFICATIONS:**

- 7.1 The term of this Agreement shall be five (5) years, commencing on the date first set forth above, provided that either party may terminate this Agreement, without cause, at any time, upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. If the Agreement is terminated or if the program is discontinued due to low enrollment, students may complete the program at any National University campus or center at the standard, non-discounted tuition rate.
- 7.2 Each party shall indemnify and hold harmless the other party and its affiliates, agents, employees and representatives from and against any and all liabilities, loss, costs, damages, or

expenses, including attorney's fees, which it or either of them may hereafter incur, suffer, or shall be required to pay by reason of: (i) any grossly negligent or intentional misrepresentation made by a party; or (ii) the breach of any binding covenant or condition in this MOA.

Recipients, all notices or other communications given under this MOA shall be in writing, addressed

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