# GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN STATE FAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE CURATORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

#### **OVERVIEW**

This guaranteed admission agreement is made and entered into by the Curators of the University of Missouri on behalf of the University of Missouri, Columbia, hereinafter referred to as MU, and State Fair Community College, based in Sedalia, Missouri, hereinafter referred to as SFCC. By this agreement, SFCC and MU express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education.

#### **PURPOSE**

This agreement offers students who have earned an Associate in Arts (AA), an Associate in Applied Science in Nursing (AAS), an Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) or completed the 42-hour General Education block at SFCC guaranteed admission to MU, provided all current admissions standards, policies and procedures of MU are met at the time of admission to the MU bachelor's program. Students must meet all of the requirements outlined in this agreement to guarantee admission to MU.

#### INSTITUTIONAL EXPECTATIONS

SFCC and MU will collaborate and coordinate the recruitment and transfer of students in accordance with the program and degree requirements of their respective schools.

SFCC and MU will make known this 2 + 2 partnership through co-branded marketing materials and/or other mutually agreed upon means.

SFCC and MU will publish details of this agreement on their websites for the benefit of students interested in participating in the program.

SFCC and MU agree to review the course articulations annually and to keep SFCC students and advisors informed of current curricular requirements.

SFCC students will be provided advisement by MU to discuss academic program requirements and transfer credit policies.

#### ADMISSION AND MATRICULATION

Subject to any applicable MU admission requirements, MU agrees to admit a transfer student from SFCC who presents the required 2.0 cumulative college grade point average in all transferrable academic coursework from all colleges attended and an AA degree, AAS in Nursing, an Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) or the Missouri Core 42.

This agreement does not guarantee admission to a particular degree program within the university. Criteria for acceptance into the articulated program at MU will be the same for transfer as for native students.

International transfer students must meet the MU English proficiency and Intermediate Algebra requirements at least one semester prior to the intended semester of admission.

Transfer students from SFCC will have access to financial aid and student services on the same basis as native students. MU will apply the same academic progress and graduation standards to SFCC transfer students as those applicable to native students at MU.

SFCC students should meet with the MU Transfer Coordinator for academic advising during their studies at SFCC to ensure they are taking appropriate courses.

# TRANSFER OF CREDIT

The transcript of students transferring from SFCC will be evaluated by the MU Office of Admissions. MU will accept all transfer credits from SFCC geared towards a baccalaureate degree, except any courses that are technical, vocational or developmental not otherwise specified under an articulation agreement.

Coursework may be taken at a college or university other than SFCC, however, it will not automatically transfer to MU and must be reviewed.

Associate in Arts or AAS in Nursing graduates from SFCC, upon acceptance into the appropriate program at MU, will have junior standing.

# **TERMS OF AGREEMENT:**

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2018-19 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both parties. This agreement may be amended at any time with approval of both parties. Should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, advance written notification of two years will be required.

## **NOTICES**

All notices concerning this agreement shall be in writing and will be considered to have been given at the time of receipt of notice by the other Party.

Notices to MU: Director of Community Relations

Notices to SFCC: Vice President for Educational and Student Support Services

### INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

The parties agree to defend, indemnify and hold each other harmless from and against any loss, claim, or damage, including without limitation the cost from any reasonable attorneys' fees and/or litigation, to the extent it arises or is alleged to arise from the negligent acts or omissions of their respective officers, employees, students or agents in the performance of their duties under this agreement.

# **INDEPENDENCE OF THE PARTIES**

The Parties are independent contractors. Nothing contained in this agreement will constitute either Party the agent, partner, or legal representative of the other Party for any purpose, or constitute the Parties as partners or joint ventures. Neither Party has any right, power or authority to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of the other.