

Articulation Agreement By and Between Upper Iowa University and Gateway Technical College February 2018

1. Purpose

Upper lowa University (hereinafter "UIU") and Gateway Technical College (hereinafter "Gateway") recognize the need and importance of facilitating a seamless transition for students moving from one institution to the other as they pursue their educational goals. UIU and Gateway enter into this agreement to minimize duplication of coursework, loss of credit, and administrative obstacles. This Agreement is also intended to foster and promote continued communication between the two institutions in order to develop and promote additional opportunities for articulated seamless transfer. This Agreement provides students the opportunity to pre-plan their college careers. Lastly, this agreement provides for UIU regional educational centers to be established on Gateway campuses in Elkhorn and Racine, Wisconsin.

2. Admission & Transfer of Credits

UIU will waive its one-time application fee for Gateway students who apply to UIU.

Gateway Technical College will provide official transcripts to UIU as requested by Gateway students and alumni applying to UIU in accordance with this agreement subject to existing Gateway policy regarding distribution of and costs for transcripts.

As the receiving school, UIU agrees to transfer up to 78 lower division college semester credits from any program at Gateway Technical College. These 78 semester credits include: (a) No more than nine semester credits that transfer as Exercise and Sport Studies (EXSS) activity courses, including transcribed intercollegiate athletics; (b) No credits from courses identified by UIU as remedial or developmental; (c) No more than 30 semester credits from occupational diploma programs. An additional 12 upper level credits may be transferred from four-year institutions for a total maximum of 90 semester credits.

Coursework from Gateway will be transferred following the guidelines in the then-current program equivalency guide; if no program guide exists for the student's pathway, coursework will be transferred following guidelines in the then-current full Course Equivalents List. Courses not listed on the Equivalents List will be accepted in transfer as general elective credits.

Transfer grades lower than a C- are not accepted by UIU.

Students from Gateway Technical College must meet UIU transfer student admission requirements effective at the time of application. UIU accepts students on a continuous enrollment basis: a student may enroll at any time during the year.

UIU cannot guarantee students will be able to complete all requirements for graduation within the 120-credit minimum required for graduation.

Grades earned in courses accepted for transfer will appear on a student's UIU transcript and articulated credits earned will count toward the total number required for graduation. Grades earned at Gateway or any other institution other than UIU will not be used in calculating a student's cumulative grade point average (GPA) but will be used in calculating the major/endorsement GPA. Credits for lower-level coursework from Gateway that transfer as equivalent to UIU 300-or 400-level courses may not count as upper level credit at UIU.

Upon request, UIU will provide materials, catalogs, program degree plans and other information to Gateway advisors and students to facilitate their understanding of UIU requirements and academic programs. Gateway understands program degree plans are subject to change and transfer students must fulfill the program requirements effective the date of their admission. UIU will provide advising to Gateway students inquiring about UIU programs and/or available learning modalities. UIU advisors are available to meet with staff at Gateway as needed.

3. Provision for Renewal and/or Cancellation

This agreement will remain in effect until a new agreement is signed or the partnership is terminated by either school following guidelines below. Should there be changes at either school that will affect this agreement, that school shall notify the other in a timely manner so a new agreement can be discussed and reached.

Both schools will inform the other of curriculum changes and any associated course equivalency/transfer guide updates will be made accordingly.

Both schools agree that failure to maintain regional accreditation will be grounds for termination of this agreement. Failure to maintain accreditation required by specific academic programs will be grounds for exclusion of that program from this agreement.

Gateway and UIU agree to provide at least one hundred eighty (180) days advanced written notification of their intent to cancel the agreement. Gateway students already accepted at UIU will be allowed to complete their degrees under the catalog guidelines in place at the time they started with UIU, as long as they complete their degrees within seven years of the time they enrolled in their first class with UIU. Gateway students in the process of applying to UIU at the time of cancellation will be allowed to complete the application process and complete degrees, subject to the requirement to complete the degree within seven years of the first UIU course enrollment.

4. Partnership Advantages

All full-time and part-time faculty and staff members at Gateway (including adjunct faculty) will receive a 10% tuition discount for all courses taken at UIU for academic credit. The faculty or staff members must mention they are from a *Partnership Advantage* institution and request the tuition discount at time of registration. They will be asked to present verification of employment.

UIU will waive the application fee for Gateway faculty and staff members who apply to any of UIU's graduate programs, as long as proof of the applicant's employment at Gateway is provided with the application. All graduate program applicants with an undergraduate degree that does not include UIU required foundational courses may be required to take those courses in addition to the specific graduate program courses for the desired degree.

5. Marketing and Communication

UIU authorizes Gateway to identify UIU as an institutional transfer partner on the Gateway Technical College website and in print publications. Likewise, UIU will list Gateway on its own website as a transfer partner. UIU will provide Gateway a landing page address to be used for any links from Gateway Technical College's website to UIU's. UIU also authorizes Gateway to use its logo on the Gateway Technical College website and in print publications. UIU, as the receiving school, will administer course and program equivalency guides and provide copies and/or links to Gateway. Each school shall publish the equivalency guides on its website. Any marketing or publication of this signed articulation agreement in print will be subject to the prior approval of both schools.

6. Regional Learning Center

Gateway agrees to allow UIU to establish a regional learning center at its Elkhorn and Racine campuses for the purpose of delivering upper division courses leading to a bachelor's degree under the following conditions:

<u>Classroom usage</u> Gateway agrees to lease classroom space to UIU for the purpose of delivering upper division courses leading to a UIU degree. Availability of classroom space is dependent on Gateway enrollment and space needs. UIU will pay pursuant to Gateway's annual fee schedule.

Office usage Gateway agrees to lease office space to UIU for one academic advisor. Office space will include desk, locking file cabinet, telephone and internet access; office may be in shared space with Gateway staff. UIU will pay pursuant to Gateway's annual fee schedule.

<u>ID cards</u> As part of the articulation agreement, UIU students will be issued a Gateway Technical College photo ID at no charge to be carried when on campus. The ID card can be used for:

- access to campus computer labs
- access to study space in the Learning Success Center and on-site tutoring services (limited to Gateway curriculum)
- access to on-campus library services
- entrance to on-campus Student Life events and activities
- copying and printing on campus (add funds via on-campus cash loader kiosks)

<u>Student Conduct</u> UIU students will adhere to Gateway student code of conduct as described in the Gateway Student Handbook.

<u>Course offerings</u> UIU agrees to offer only upper division courses that are not duplicated by any course in Gateway program curricula. UIU may also offer lower division courses not offered by Gateway needed by UIU learners to meet program specific academic requirements and/or general education requirements.

<u>Employee Standards of Conduct</u> UIU agrees that all its employees working at Gateway will conform to the standards of dress and conduct set forth in Gateway's Employee Handbook. UIU will enforce Gateway standard of dress and conduct among its employees working at Gateway.

<u>Non-exclusivity</u> Gateway retains the right to enter into agreements with other providers of baccalaureate education as it sees fit.

7. In Conclusion

This agreement represents the entire articulation agreement between Gateway Technical College and Upper Iowa University and shall not be subject to any waiver, modification or discharge except in writing and signed by both parties.

This agreement shall be governed by the academic policies and procedures in UIU's Academic Catalog, Gateway's Catalog, and the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

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For Upper Iowa University:	Dr. John Thibodeau Assistant Provost/VP for Institutional Effectiveness		ent Success
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