



# INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIP ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

## CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY

AND

## MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### ARTICLE I AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLE

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Cornerstone University ("CU") and Muskegon Community College ("MCC") agree that students who choose to begin their studies at a community college and transfer to a university to earn a bachelor's degree should be provided with a smooth curriculum transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of course work.

Therefore, Cornerstone University and Muskegon Community College enter into this Institutional Partnership Articulation Agreement for students who want to begin their studies at MCC in an approved MCC/CU articulated program. Both parties enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

### ARTICLE II AGREEMENT ON PROGRAM SPECIFICS

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Cornerstone University and Muskegon Community College agree that any student who has satisfied the minimum requirements outlined in an approved MCC/CU articulated program may transfer the course credits indicated in the approved MCC/CU articulated program guide toward a bachelor's degree at Cornerstone University.

Students using this agreement must apply and be admitted to Cornerstone University. For admission to traditional undergraduate programs, criteria includes submission of application and statement of faith essay, college transcript(s), along with high school transcript and ACT/SAT scores, if applicable. For admission to a bachelor's degree program in the Professional & Graduate Studies division, criteria includes application, minimum of two years of full-time work experience and college/university transcripts that meet the minimum transfer credit requirements. Ministry Leadership applicants must also submit a statement of Christian faith and letter from a church/ministry leader.

MCC students will receive equal consideration with other students seeking admission and financial aid. Approved MCC/CU articulated program guides and ample course equivalencies can be found online at: [www.cornerstone.edu/transfer-student-application](http://www.cornerstone.edu/transfer-student-application) for traditional undergraduate programs and at [www.cornerstone.edu/admissions/pgs-apply-now/transfer-credits/](http://www.cornerstone.edu/admissions/pgs-apply-now/transfer-credits/) for the Professional & Graduate Studies division.

*ARTICLE III*  
*AGREEMENT ON COMMUNICATION*

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Cornerstone University and Muskegon Community College agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with their common respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Communication may include the development of various kinds of publications to inform those who might benefit personally or professionally from the opportunities provided in this agreement. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to students and prospective students. CU and MCC will provide transfer student performance data annually.

*ARTICLE IV*  
*MAINTENANCE AND REVIEW PROCEDURES*

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At least one administrative or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as agents for the implementation of this agreement, to speak for the institutions and to communicate changes to respective faculty members, advisors, counselors, and others to whom the information is pertinent. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Provost/Executive Vice President at Muskegon Community College and the Academic Leadership Team at Cornerstone University. Both parties agree to communicate annually any changes in their respective programs that may affect any of the MCC/CU articulated programs and resulting articulated program guides.

*ARTICLE V*  
*EFFECTIVE DATES*

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This agreement will not expire without a formal written request by either party. With 90 days written notice, this agreement may be terminated. At the time the formal written request for termination is received, development of future program agreements will cease. At the time this Institutional Agreement is terminated, all program agreements must have a formal teach out plan to ensure the students who are engaged in the associated programs have a secured pathway to completion.



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We, the representatives of Cornerstone University and Muskegon Community College, agree to the terms of this agreement, effective on the last date of signature.

CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY

Joseph M. Stowell  
President

8/02/2018

Date

MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dale Nesbary, Ph.D.  
President

Date

John VerBerkmoes, Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Academics

5-2-2018

Date

John Selmon, Ph.D.  
Provost & Executive Vice President

6/10/18

Date

