TRANSFER AGREEMENT

FERRUM COLLEGE AND RICHARD BLAND COLLEGE of The College of William and Mary

The purpose of this articulation agreement is to assist students at various levels of higher education to achieve their goals in an efficient and timely way. This purpose may be achieved through the coordination between Ferrum College and Richard Bland College of The College of William and Mary of transfer policies, enhanced advising, and acceptance of equivalent courses. This agreement is in support of the State Policy on Transfer. Ferrum College agrees that Richard Bland College graduates who are accepted under the provision of the State Policy on Transfer will be designated as junior-level students (if they earn at least 56 transferable credits). Ferrum will accept courses with a grade of "C" or higher.

- 1. Upon application, Ferrum College (Ferrum) will guarantee acceptance of all Richard Bland College graduates with an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree who have earned a minimum grade point average of 2.0. This guarantee assumes that there are no other factors in a student's academic or personal record that might prevent acceptance. For guaranteed acceptance, applications must be received by April 1 for fall term and November 1 for spring term. Students with grade point averages below 2.0 or who apply after the stated deadlines also will be considered for admission but without the guaranteed acceptance. Ferrum College will waive the application fcc.
- Credits earned through examination (Advanced Placement, CLEP, or DANTES), and awarded credit at Richard Bland College, will require submission of official scores from the appropriate Scholastic Testing Center.
- 3. Richard Bland College graduates may be required to complete any unfulfilled Ferrum general education requirements or specific requirements for a BA/BS degree. Students transferring from Richard Bland College to specific Ferrum programs must meet the same prerequisites, GPA, and other admission criteria as for other transfer or native students applying to those programs.
- 4. Acceptance in some programs at Ferrum is competitive; acceptance into Ferrum does not imply admission to these programs without further acceptance by the college or department offering the program. Students participating in this admission agreement should follow all special college and/or departmental application procedures and deadlines, as well as grade point requirements listed in the Ferrum catalog for native Ferrum students. Transfer students and native Ferrum students will be treated identically with regard to admission to programs.
- 5. Richard Bland College graduates transferring to Ferrum can generally expect to graduate in two years, assuming they take normal course loads, have met the specific prerequisites for their majors, and make satisfactory progress. Ferrum College cannot guarantee that students will be able to complete all requirements for graduation within the 121 credit minimum required for graduation. Students will complete a Degree Plan with their academic advisor during the first semester of enrollment.

- 6. Students who are not native speakers of English must score at least 520 on the TOEFL examination and have the minimum grade point average of 2.0 in order to be guaranteed admission.
- 7. Students transferring from Richard Bland College will be required to complete a minimum of 50% of the Major and Minor at Ferrum College. The student must be enrolled for at least one academic year at Ferrum and complete the last semester of academic work at Ferrum College. The student must complete 30 hours at the 300-400 level, maintaining a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.0 for hours earned at Ferrum. Students must also maintain a 2.0 grade point average within their academic major. Transfer credit will not be granted for Richard Bland College courses numbered below 100. Two courses with essentially the same content (as determined by Ferrum) cannot both be counted toward the same degree requirements.
- 8. Ferrum will offer accepted applicants from Richard Bland College consideration for available financial aid if they apply for aid by the recommended deadline of February 1 st.
- 9. The faculty and staff of the two institutions will work together to maintain a course-bycourse evaluation of all courses listed in the Richard Bland College Catalog. Richard Bland College faculty and advising staff will encourage prospective Ferrum transfer students to meet the spirit and content of the Ferrum general education requirements to the greatest extent possible in preparing for transfer. The Registrar and student advisors at Ferrum will offer counsel to Richard Bland College students who plan to transfer to Ferrum concerning degree requirements and programs of study.
- 10. Richard Bland College transfer students must sign a Guaranteed Admission Letter of Intent form to enroll at Ferrum.
- 11. Richard Bland College agrees to support this articulation agreement by indicating the relationship in appropriate literature and through its web site.
- 12. This agreement may be amended as needed, for specific program articulation without affecting the currency of the master agreement. All course-by-course transfer guides may be amended as needed.

13. This transfer Agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice shall be effective only if given 180 days prior to the intended date of termination. Upon termination, the agreement will remain in effect for two additional years to accommodate students currently pursuing the articulated program at Richard Bland College.

Official Signature

Richard Bland College

of the College of William and Mary

Official Signature

Ferrum College

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