Addendum to the February 2021 Articulation Agreement between Saint Francis University and HACC Establishing Articulation Pathways between the HACC's AS in Business Administration and SFU's Accelerated BS/MBA and Accelerated BS/MHRM Programs

## I. PURPOSE

This document is an addendum and expansion of an existing academic articulation agreement between Saint Francis University (SFU) and Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) which was ratified in March 2021 via the signatures of Dr. Karan Powell, Vice President of Academic Affairs, SFU and Dr. Cynthia Doherty, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at HACC. For reference, that academic articulation agreement is linked below. Specifically, this document expands the existing articulation agreement by providing an additional transfer pathway between the A.S. in Business Administration at HACC and the Accelerated BS/MBA and BS/MHRM programs at SFU. Specific programs transfer pathways are noted in the next section of this document. Unless specifically noted in this addendum, the terms specified in the original articulation agreement will remain in effect for these new transfer pathways.

## II. TRANSFER PATHWAY(S)

- 1. Saint Francis University is an accredited university, including the academic schools known as the Shields School of Business and Francis Worldwide School of Continuing Studies.. All academic coursework in which Harrisburg Area Community College students have earned a grade of "C" or higher is fully transferable based on course equivalents. For the articulation into the accelerated BS/MBA and BS/MHRM programs listed below, up to 64 credits MAY be accepted in transfer toward the program.
- 2. In alignment with existing transfer admission requirements for SFU's Accelerated BS/MBA and BS/MHRM programs, HACC A.S. in Business Administration students that apply and meet the requirements of at least 30 credits but no more than 64 credits earned with an overall GPA of at least 3.4 on a 4.0 scale will be accepted into program.
- 3. Based on the course equivalency, SFU will transfer credits from the Harrisburg Area Community College based on the specific paradigms outlined to their corresponding SFU paradigms. The transfer of credits will be as of the date of the program paradigms attached to this agreement and signed by all parties. Transfer credits will be accepted from the A.S. in Business Administration at HACC into the following SFU programs. Courses not specified in the paradigms will need to be submitted for approval prior to transferring.

Residential Traditional Undergraduate Business Programs administered by the Shields School of Business at Saint Francis University

- BS in Accounting/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Business Analytics/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Economics/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Finance/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Management/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Management/Accelerated MHRM
- BS in Management Information Systems/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Marketing/Accelerated MBA

Online Undergraduate Business Programs administered by Francis Worldwide School of Continuing Studies at Saint Francis University

- BS in Accounting/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Computer Systems Management/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Management/Accelerated MBA
- BS in Management/Accelerated MHRM
- BS in Organizational Leadership/Accelerated MBA

## III. TERMS

- 1. The original academic articulation agreement provides eligible HACC students a twenty-five (25%) percent tuition reduction in courses matriculated through Francis Worldwide. This discount is extended for students participating in this articulation agreement into the programs offered through Francis Worldwide. Further, this agreement extends the twenty-five (25%) percent tuition reduction to graduate courses (both MBA and MHRM) for those students matriculating through this articulation agreement. However, as stated in the original agreement, this discount does not apply to the traditional undergraduate programs offered through the Shields School of Business
- 2. SFU may change its tuition rates at any time at its sole discretion and the reduction will be calculated based on the current tuition in effect for the applicable academic term for the enrolled program. Eligible employees and alumni shall not be entitled to any other reduction and are subject to all other admission and continuation requirements as set forth in the respective SFU policies and catalogs. (IN EXISTING)
- 3. This Agreement is effective as of the date of the fully executed document, and shall continue until terminated. Both parties must approve amendments to the Agreement in writing. Either party may terminate the Agreement without cause upon 90 days written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing,

either party may terminate the Agreement immediately in the event that participation under the Agreement may give rise to a violation of any requirement of federal or state law or regulation or the requirements of any accrediting agency having jurisdiction.(IN EXISTING)

- 4. Admission criteria and academic requirements will be subject to the applicable academic catalog accessed through francis.edu at the time of the students' admission. Students who have begun their program of study or students in the process of enrolling prior to the effective date will be grandfathered in to continue receiving the discount offered in this Agreement until such time such students complete or discontinue enrollment in their program. (IN EXISTING)
- 5. Transferability of third-party course work will be evaluated on a case by case basis. (IN EXISTING)
- 6. This Articulation Agreement is based on the current curriculum of both educational institutions. Each institution is responsible for notifying the other of any substantive changes to the curriculum. This agreement shall be reviewed by both institutions every three years. Curriculum may be updated and added for the term of this agreement as long as both parties agree to the terms in this agreement at the time the curriculum is changed. By signing and dating the curriculum document, the documents will hereby be made part of this agreement. (IN EXISTING)
- 7. The parties grant to each other a non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use each other's trademarks and service marks in furtherance of the articulation coordination detailed herein or in a manner solely for the purpose of identifying and communicating the existence of the relationship to Harrisburg Area Community College students and alumni. Use of trademarks, service marks and logos will comply with use policies of the originating institution. The parties shall discontinue the use of the licensed marks and return any and all files and materials containing the licensed marks supplied by the owner at termination or expiration of the Agreement. Neither party grants to the other any interest in the other party's trademarks. Should either originating institution request, in writing, that a particular use of the originating institution's trademarks and/or service marks be discontinued, the non-originating institution. shall cease and desist such use of the trademarks and/or service marks. (IN EXISTING)
- Harrisburg Area Community College agrees to notify students of transfer opportunities to Saint Francis University, to collaborate with SFU on other forms of transfer communication and to host SFU representatives on campus for recruitment activities during the academic school year. (IN EXISTING)

9. The parties hereto will have the relationship of independent contractors for all purposes. Each will have complete control over its own performance and the details for accomplishing its own obligations under this Agreement. In no event will the agents, representatives or employees of one party be deemed to be agents, representatives or employees of the other. (IN EXISTING)

## IV. CONTACT FOR COORDINATION:

All notices and other communications required hereunder by either party to the other shall be in writing, delivered personally, electronically with validation of receipt, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, or by overnight courier, and shall be deemed to have been duly given when delivered personally or received when using overnight courier or three business days after being deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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or to such other persons or places as either party may designate by written notice to the other.

APPROVALS:

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DATE: June 22, 2022

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DATE: 06/20/2022