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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made between The University of Tennessee, on behalf of its Knoxville campus ("UTK") and the Tennessee Board of Regents ("TBR") and is effective on the date of final signature ("Effective Date").

The parties agree as follows:

1. UTK guarantees transfer admission to all otherwise qualified¹ students from Tennessee community colleges who meet the requirements in this MOU. Tennessee community college students whose academic credentials do not meet these standards are invited to seek admission to UTK through the normal application process.
2. To qualify for transfer admission to UTK under this agreement, a student must:
 - a. Receive an Associate of Science or Associate of Arts degree at a community college in the TBR system no more than two years prior to proposed matriculation at UTK; AND
 - b. Earn a minimum of 60 transferable credit hours, of which 45 or more credit hours must be earned from a community college (or community colleges) in the TBR system; AND
 - c. Achieve a cumulative grade point average in all college level coursework of 3.0 or better by the time of application for transfer admission to UTK, and must maintain that 3.0 or better average until the time of matriculation at UTK; AND
 - d. Submit a completed application for transfer admission, including the application fee and all supplemental materials by the application deadline, all as described in UTK admissions requirements found at <http://admissions.utk.edu/apply/requirements>.
3. A student who satisfies the academic criteria in Section 2 of this MOU for guaranteed admission to UTK should also consider applicable requirements for acceptance into a particular University college, program, or major. Students are encouraged, but not required, to complete one of the Tennessee Transfer Pathways (<http://www.tntransferpathway.org/>) designed to prepare students for continued work in a major tied to the specific pathway. Transfer transition guides, designed to clearly facilitate academic preparation for continued study in a particular program or major, may also exist between a specific community college and UTK. For more information see: <http://registrar.utk.edu/transfer/>.
4. Additional requirements for specific programs and majors are detailed in the UTK Undergraduate Catalog (<http://catalog.utk.edu/>). Minimum grades of "C" or better are required in foundational courses for many majors.

¹ To be qualified for admission to UTK, an applicant must satisfy all academic and non-academic criteria associated with the completion of undergraduate admissions application process.

5. Admission to certain specific programs includes additional expectations, including but not limited to the following items. Specific program requirements and prerequisites are subject to change at any time in UTK's sole discretion.
 - a. College of Business: Students who earn associates degrees with areas of emphasis in business will be admitted directly to the college of business at UTK. Students will work with an advisor within the college to identify an appropriate major.
 - b. College of Nursing:
 - i. Automatic admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) degree program is not available under this program, although qualified students admitted to UTK are invited to apply for admission to the B.S.N. program; however,
 - ii. Students with an associate degree in nursing who also hold licensure as a Registered Nurse (R.N.) have the option to be admitted directly into the online R.N. to B.S.N. program.
 - c. Competitive Majors: Admission to the following programs is highly competitive and will require review of a portfolio and/or performance: architecture, interior design, art, music, kinesiology, and engineering. Qualified transfer students admitted to UTK under this agreement are invited to apply for admission to these programs.
6. The transfer admission standards described in this agreement were approved by The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees on October 3, 2014.
7. This MOU has a term of three years from the Effective Date. The MOU may be extended or amended only by written agreement authorized officials of the parties. The MOU may be terminated by either party, with or without notice, for any reason or no reason, with a minimum of 180 days' notice, in writing, of the termination date.
8. This MOU is governed by Tennessee law.

Agreed:

Tennessee Board of Regents

Name

Title

Date

John G. Morgan
Chancellor
12/15/2014

The University of Tennessee

Name

Title

Date

Jimmy R. Chul
Chancellor
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