Articulation Agreement
between
Michigan State University
and
Lansing Community College

Michigan State University (MSU) and Lansing Community College (LCC), as the two major providers of higher education services in the greater Lansing area, agree to work together to increase access to higher education for adults. As one phase of this agreement, the two institutions agree to collaborate in the offering of an evening bachelor's degree completion program. This program, which leads to a baccalaureate degree in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science (IDS), enables students to begin their undergraduate education at LCC and complete remaining degree requirements on the MSU campus.

The IDS Evening Program

MSU's College of Social Science offers the upper division portion of the evening degree completion program. The IDS program is available to qualified transfer students from LCC. Students may pursue a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree. The student's major is IDS: Human Resources and Society. The Evening Program is intended for individuals who have employment and/or other responsibilities that preclude their participation in a daytime degree program. All courses are offered during late afternoon and evening hours.

The IDS Evening Program is administered by MSU's Center for Integrative Studies (CIS), College of Social Science. Courses are offered Fall, Spring and Summer semesters, and students can complete degree requirements in four (4) calendar years. The Evening Program is a cooperative venture, involving the Colleges of Social Science, Business, and Arts and Letters.

Requirements

LCC offers the first half of the undergraduate experience (i.e., up to 60 semester credits). The remaining credits to complete the program will be available through MSU. This includes a minimum of forty-two (42) credits in the IDS: Human Resources and Society major plus any other college and university graduation requirements. IDS curricular guides provide information on all such requirements.

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Admission, Advising and Program Planning

Collaboration of the two institutions includes—

1. development of curricular guides that describe MSU transfer requirements and inform students of core, major, and other prerequisite courses that should be completed at LCC;

2. commitment by both LCC and MSU advisers to provide academic advising for students who identify themselves as part of the cohort of potential transfers to the Evening Program;

3. development and circulation of program materials that clarify the issues of concern to potential transfer students, such as admissions standards, degree requirements, contact persons and other sources of relevant information;

4. distribution of admissions application forms.

Administrative Responsibility

1. The Director of CIS designates an individual to serve as the administrative coordinator of the Evening Program.

2. LCC designates an individual (or individuals) to serve as administrative liaison to the Evening Program.

3. LCC and MSU agree to participate jointly in the ongoing promotion of the Evening Program. MSU staff assumes responsibility for developing promotional materials, and LCC staff agrees to assist in distribution efforts.

4. Regular interaction between administrators and advisers from the two institutions is essential in order to insure ongoing assessment of the need for specific activities/events (e.g., new-student orientation sessions, support groups).

We, the undersigned, pledge our support, commitment, and best efforts to implement this agreement, effective as of the date, April 22, 1994.

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