MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

TIDEWATER COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY

Effective Summer 2017

This Memorandum of Understanding makes it possible for undergraduate students to earn an Associate of Science degree in General Studies or Social Sciences from Tidewater Community College (TCC) and a Bachelor of Science with a Leadership major from Old Dominion University (ODU). Students first complete the Associate of Science at TCC for the first two years and transfer to ODU for the final two years of their undergraduate studies. Students who wish to enroll in ODU courses prior to completion of the associate degree may choose this option, ensuring they complete the associate degree as part of this agreement. The Memorandum of Understanding is carefully constructed to meet all degree requirements of both institutions and is consistent with established ODU transfer policies.

Under the Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA) between ODU and the Virginia Community College System, upon completion of a minimum of 15 credit hours from TCC and prior to applying for graduation from TCC with the Associate of Science degree, students with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.50 in all courses applicable to the TCC degree shall submit the ODU online Letter of Intent to transfer. Students must also submit an ODU application for admission and meet all other admission requirements, to include submission of official TCC transcripts. At the conclusion of the fourth year or when all prescribed courses are completed for the Leadership major and students have successfully completed a minimum of 120 semester hours at ODU, the Bachelor of Science will be awarded by ODU.

Advisors at TCC will guide students during the first two years to ensure that the lower-division requirements for the Bachelor of Science at ODU have been met. The Coordinator of the Leadership program at ODU will ensure that the students are properly advised upon transfer to ODU.
Old Dominion University will offer courses in online and face-to-face delivery formats. Face-to-face courses will be offered on the Norfolk Campus of TCC. Each of these courses will require a minimum enrollment at TCC.

Both institutions believe that neither party should need to incur any additional financial obligations as a result of this agreement and understand that all additional financial arrangements should be agreed to by both parties on a case-by-case basis and will depend upon the availability of funds. This agreement shall be effective for five years from Summer 2017, unless terminated beforehand by either party. The program shall be reviewed annually following the date of signing to determine if its goals are being achieved.

Close communications will be maintained between TCC and ODU so that both organizations are continually aware of any changes in the degree requirements of either institution and to be sure that these curricular changes do not jeopardize students enrolled in the programs. A typical schedule of courses for students based upon the degree requirements of the two institutions will be published on both institutions’ websites.

This agreement has been developed in the firm belief that it provides a valuable educational opportunity for the citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is effective for a period of five years beginning on July 1, 2017.

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