

Agreement for Reverse Transfer of Credit
Between
Southwestern College
and
Rose State College

Introduction

This agreement formally recognizes that Southwestern College and Rose State College are both active educational partners in providing educational opportunities for currently enrolled and potential students of our institutions. This agreement allows Southwestern College Professional Studies (the college's adult-serving unit) and Rose State College to form a partnership to better serve adult learners through increasing access to higher education and to preparation for the workforce. This partnership acknowledges that collective efforts are stronger than individual efforts to achieve this goal. Agreement to this partnership permits both institutions to facilitate an adult learner's ability to transfer into an undergraduate degree program and transfer credits back to Rose State College without jeopardizing the intended mission and stated goals of either institution.

Purpose

This Reverse Transfer agreement establishes policies and procedures to allow students to transfer course work from Southwestern College to Rose State College to complete an associate's degree. Southwestern College Professional Studies will honor the input from Rose State College so that the most efficient transfer possible may be achieved for the student.

This agreement will allow students who earned college credits that could be applied towards an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree from Rose State College to complete requirements for an associate's degree while taking classes at Southwestern College. This agreement allows students to transfer credits from Southwestern College Professional Studies to Rose State College to meet requirements for an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree at Rose State College. Upon successful completion of the necessary Rose State College credits from Southwestern College Professional Studies, the learner will be awarded an associate's degree from Rose State College while still taking classes with Southwestern College.

Transfer Elements

For learners to qualify for this agreement, they must meet the following criteria:

- Have earned at least 18 credit hours from Rose State College.
- Have earned at least the last 30 credit hours from Southwestern College.
- Transferred to Southwestern College with Rose State College as the last school attended.
- Have a minimum of a 2.0 GPA and be in good standing at Rose State College and Southwestern College.

Learners wishing to receive an associate's degree from Rose State College will submit a completed Program of Study form and a transcript release form to the Southwestern College Registrar. The Southwestern College Registrar will send the learner's academic record to the appropriate Rose State College department for evaluation. Upon successful completion of the associate's degree requirements, Rose State College will award an associate's degree to the learner. Rose State College will submit an updated transcript indicating the award of the associate's degree to SC.

Longevity of Agreement

This agreement will be in effect for three years from the date of administrative endorsement, below. Renewal of agreement with appropriate content changes will be discussed at the end of this time period. Renewal of this agreement requires the written consent of both Southwestern College Professional Studies and Rose State College. Transfer literature will be updated on an annual basis.

This agreement may be terminated by either party with a written ninety day notice. A breach of this agreement can result in immediate termination of the agreement. A breach could include, but is not limited to, a violation of the policies and rules of either institution and/or a non-performance of the institution's obligations under the agreement. If the agreement is terminated during an academic term, students will be allowed to complete their course work under this agreement.

Southwestern College and Rose State College certify that they are currently accredited by regional or national accrediting bodies recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Southwestern College and Rose State College agree to notify each other of any adverse changes in their accreditation status.

No financial implications concerning the transfer or exchange of cash, equipment, or real estate is intended or implied by this agreement. Southwestern College and Rose State College are separate and independent institutions of higher education and intend to remain so. The administrators of Southwestern College and Rose State College are authorized to prepare and implement plans of action and procedures necessary to effect this agreement.

Southwestern College Professional Studies

Rose State College

Pamela France
Signed

Monica W. Hendrix
Signed

VP - Professional Studies
Title

Vice President for Academic Affairs
Title

1-16-2012
Date

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Date

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This agreement formally recognizes that Southwestern College and Rose State College are active partners in providing educational opportunities. Southwestern College and Rose State College share a commitment to developing good will and academic cooperation. Agreement to this partnership permits both institutions to facilitate programming related to student transfer without jeopardizing the mission and stated goals of either institution.

Purpose

This agreement is designed to facilitate student transfer of credit between institutions. Rose State College and Southwestern College agree to develop mutually agreeable plans that may include:

1. Creation and implementation of promotional materials for specific programming;
2. faculty interchange;
3. distribution of information on the internet, including the ability to electronically link both institutions through their websites;
4. possible development of program-specific articulation agreements.

Waiver of General Education Requirements in Residential Campus Programs

1. For all students holding either an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science Degree from Rose State College, Southwestern College waives all general education requirements, with the exception of one senior level career preparation class.

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Longevity of Agreement

This agreement will be in effect for three years from the date of the administrative endorsement, below. Renewal of agreement with appropriate content changes will be discussed at the end of this time period. Renewal of this agreement requires the written consent of both Southwestern College and Rose State College.

Southwestern College

James A. Sleggett
Signed

Academic Vice President
Title

1/16/12
Date

Rose State College

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