



Connecticut State University System

BR#97-8



RESOLUTION

concerning

GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGE
SYSTEM

AND

THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

April 4, 1997

WHEREAS, The Connecticut State University System for some time has sought to improve the articulation between the Connecticut Community-Technical College System and the Connecticut State University System, and

WHEREAS, In 1996, the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System adopted Board Resolutions 96-14 and 96-15 in furtherance of this goal, and

WHEREAS, Since that time the Connecticut State University System has continued to work with the Connecticut Community-Technical College System to support Connecticut's greatest resource: its educated populace, and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut State University System and Community-Technical College System have reached an agreement which affirms our commitment as public institutions of higher education to ensure that students have maximum educational mobility between institutions of the two systems, and

WHEREAS, The intent of this agreement is to:

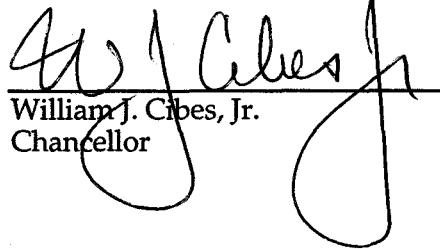
- Provide barrier-free movement from the associate degree to the baccalaureate degree for students enrolled in public higher education within Connecticut;
- Facilitate student access to further public higher education in Connecticut;
- Strengthen the academic and student support partnership between the Connecticut State University System and the Connecticut Community-Technical College System; and

WHEREAS, The new Guaranteed Admission Policy places the substantive policy of Board Resolutions ~~94~~⁹⁶-14 and 96-15 in a broader context and provides greater clarity, and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut State University System has previously established a process for other students from the Community-Technical College System to avail themselves of the current Admissions procedures at the institutions in the Connecticut State University System, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System hereby repeals Board Resolution 96-14 and 96-15, and adopts the provisions of the Guaranteed Admission Agreement, herein attached, as board policy.

A Certified True Copy:



William J. Cipes, Jr.
Chancellor

Appendix A

Transfer and Articulation agreements between the Connecticut Community- Technical Colleges and the Connecticut State University System

- CCSU & CTCs - Agreement on Transfer of General Education
- CCSU & CTCs - Agreement on Transfer of Human Services
- CCSU & CTCs - Agreement on Transfer of Industrial & Engineering
Technology
- CCSU & CTCs - Agreement on Transfer of Minors
- CCSU & NWCTC's- Agreement on Transfer of Interpreting for the Deaf
- CCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of Business
- ECSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of General Education
- SCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of Minors
- SCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of General Education
- WCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of General Education
- WCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of Human Services
- WCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of Criminal Justice
- WCSU & CTC's - Agreement on Transfer of Business

Statewide Articulation for Registered Nurses

Statewide Articulation for Connecticut College of Technology

Statewide Articulation for Early Childhood Education

**Guaranteed Admissions Agreement
Between
The Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges
and
The Connecticut State University System**

Preamble

The Connecticut State University System and the Connecticut Community-Technical College System share a common mission in support of Connecticut's greatest resource: its educated populace. In this agreement, we affirm our commitment as public institutions of higher education to ensure that our students have maximum educational mobility between institutions in our two systems.

The intent of this agreement is to:

- Provide barrier-free movement from the associate degree to the baccalaureate degree for students enrolled in public higher education within Connecticut
- Facilitate student access to further public higher education in Connecticut
- Strengthen the academic and student support partnership between the Connecticut State University System and the Connecticut Community-Technical College System.

The Connecticut State University System and the Connecticut Community-Technical College System agree that:

I. Guaranteed Admission

Graduates of an associate's degree program within the Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges with a GPA of 2.0 or higher are guaranteed admission to the university of their choice within the Connecticut State University System.

Guaranteed Admissions students are treated without disadvantage, vis-a-vis native students, at the university of their choice within the CSU System with respect to admission to specific majors, registration for courses, applicability of grades of different levels, assignment to Junior status, and degree program requirements. Students who wish to be admitted to a major that requires specific courses or grades must meet those requirements. In the case of majors for which articulation agreements have been adopted, Community-Technical

College students preparing for transfer should follow the terms of the articulation agreement regarding course prerequisites, grade point averages, and other requirements stated in the agreement; if they satisfy the requirements of that agreement, the provisions of that agreement are also guaranteed.

There is no guarantee that all course credits earned at a Connecticut Community Technical College will be accepted for transfer to a university within the Connecticut State University System. However, all Guaranteed Admission students are guaranteed Junior status and guaranteed that a minimum of 60 transfer credits will be applied toward a baccalaureate degree at the university. If a student enrolls in a comparable university degree program and does not subsequently change her/his program, she/he will be required to complete no more than the Specified Remaining additional credits toward the baccalaureate degree requirements, unless the combination of any unfulfilled general education requirements, any credits with grades which do not satisfy the requirements of the student's major, and any other unfulfilled requirements of the student's major at the university total more than the Specified Remaining additional credits (where "Specified Remaining additional credits" is defined as the total number of credits required for graduation minus 60).

Graduates of a Community-Technical College who meet the requirements for guaranteed admissions must still make application by the date and on the forms prescribed by each university within the CSU System, including the submission of all the required transcripts, documents, and fees.

II. General Education Transfer Pattern

Courses which fall within the categories listed below will be accepted toward meeting the General Education requirements of any university within the Connecticut State University System, to the maximum designated for each category.

<u>DISCIPLINARY AREA</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>
Composition, Literature, Speech	6-9
Behavioral Sciences	3
Social Sciences	3
Humanities (other than literature) #	3
Fine Arts	3
History	3

Natural and Physical Sciences	7-8
Mathematics ++	3-4

"Humanities other than literature" consists of Philosophy or foreign language courses.

++ Mathematics courses must be true collegiate level courses, not repeat of secondary content.

NOTE: All two-year college students are urged to consult transfer counselors early in the course selection process to determine which courses will fulfill not only general education requirements of the transfer university but which may also fulfill requirements of the intended major.

The above courses will only partially fulfill general education requirements of the universities in the CSU system. However, other courses may also satisfy general education requirements of a specific university; all students are urged to consult admissions and/or transfer counselors to explore options. Transfer students will be required to complete the general education requirements of the specific receiving university.

III. Information Sharing

The Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges and the universities within the Connecticut State University System agree to share information about students who will be eligible for guaranteed admission into a university of the CSU System, to the extent permissible under appropriate statutes, regulations and institutional policies regarding confidentiality of student records. This exchange of data allows institutions to provide students with the broadest range of academic choices and support services, thereby creating an environment conducive to academic success.

- A. Participating Community-Technical Colleges are encouraged to inform students seeking enrollment in Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges about Guaranteed Admission to universities within the Connecticut State University System. At any time during her/his studies at a Community-Technical College, the student will be given the opportunity to grant written permission for participating institutions to share essential academic

information about the student on a confidential basis, in order to facilitate effective advising and assist in the evaluation of the program.

- B. To the extent permissible under applicable law, the Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges agree to provide the universities within the CSU System with information such as names, addresses, major choice and academic progress for students eligible for the Guaranteed Admissions program.
- C. To the extent permissible under applicable law, the universities of the CSU System will provide participating Community-Technical Colleges with academic information on students who have been accepted under the Guaranteed Admissions program, such as graduation and retention rates, grade point averages, and academic majors and degree programs. Any release of such information shall not, directly or indirectly, transmit personally identifying information about any student who has not granted permission for the participating institutions to share such information.
- D. Each university within the CSU System agrees to provide applicants not offered university admission with information on the Guaranteed Admissions program. Each university will provide the appropriate Community-Technical College(s) with names and addresses of all such applicants who grant permission for the release of this information.
- E. In order to encourage students who leave a university for academic reasons to consider educational opportunities at the Community-Technical Colleges, the universities of the CSU System agree to undertake reasonable efforts to provide participating Community-Technical Colleges with the names, addresses and other pertinent academic records of such students who grant permission for the release of this information.
- F. In seeking or accepting permission from students (or parents, if applicable) for release of information referred to in this section III, the universities and colleges shall define the specific purposes and use for this information and shall use such information accordingly. All student (or parent, if applicable) permission granted for the purpose of this section shall be in writing.

IV. Advising and Communicating with students

The Connecticut Community-Technical College System and the Connecticut State University System emphasize collaborative communication with students eligible for the Guaranteed Admissions Program and support joint advisement of students who anticipate enrollment in a baccalaureate degree program through the Guaranteed Admissions program.

- A. The offer of admission from a Community-Technical College will inform students of the existence of the Guaranteed Admissions program with CSU. These admissions communications will also identify the individuals responsible for the Guaranteed Admissions program.
- B. Program advising materials, listing courses to be completed at the Community-Technical Colleges and subsequently at the universities of the CSU System, will be available on both Community-Technical College and university campuses and will be distributed appropriately to advisors and participating students. Each university and Community-Technical College agrees to use its best effort to provide Community-Technical Colleges and universities of the CSU System, respectively, with prompt notification of changes in programs and curricula.
- C. At least one university within the CSU System will offer at least one university registration/enrollment information session annually for students eligible for the Guaranteed Admissions Program on each participating Community-Technical College campus.
- D. The universities of the CSU System agree to provide to students completing the requirements of the Guaranteed Admissions program the opportunity for pre-registration along with current university students.

V. Further Understandings

The Guaranteed Admissions program does not:

- replace, alter or abrogate existing articulation agreements
- prevent a university within the CSU System from admitting Community-Technical College students through existing admission processes
- prevent a university from eliminating a school, college, department or degree program
- waive any program requirements
- ensure eligibility for Federal, State, or institutional financial assistance
- provide any guarantees or representations regarding tuition rates or fees at the universities within the CSU System or the Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges.

Students who are admitted to a CSU university under the Guaranteed Admissions program, but who subsequently transfer to an institution other than

the CSU university which they selected under the program shall not receive any guarantees under the Guaranteed Admissions program if they subsequently enroll at that University.

VI. Other Agreements

Specific Transfer and Articulation agreements between the Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges and each university within the CSU System supplement this general agreement. (A list of such agreements is included in Appendix A.) Moreover, the CTC System and the CSU System agree that additional Transfer and Articulation Agreements between each university within the CSU System and the Community-Technical Colleges which are primary feeders of each university may be accepted by the Boards of Trustees of each System to serve as pilots for more general agreements.

ITEM

Guaranteed Admissions Agreement Between The Connecticut Community-Technical College System and The Connecticut State University System

BACKGROUND

In 1988, the President of Connecticut State University and the Executive Director of the Community -Technical College System agreed to establish a Joint Task Force on Transfer which studied the transfer of students between the two systems, and

The study by the Joint Task Force provided the basis for a working group of campus presidents from the two systems to propose a set of principles, recommendations, and guidelines which became the basis for the formation of the active Connecticut State University/Connecticut Community -Technical College Joint Standing Committee on Transfer and Articulation.

Connecticut State University has continually maintained an active and productive involvement in the endeavor to improve the articulation between the Connecticut Community Technical System and Connecticut State University. In 1996, it adopted Board Resolutions 96-14 and 96-15 in furtherance of the goal to support Connecticut's greatest resource: its educated populace.

The continual efforts of the CSU Chancellor, Presidents, Academic Vice Presidents and the Joint Task Force on Transfer and Articulation has resulted in this Guaranteed Admission agreement between the Connecticut Community-Technical College System and the Connecticut State University System.

ANALYSIS

The new Guaranteed Admission Policy provides a more comprehensive approach and process for the transfer of graduates of the Community-Technical Colleges to Connecticut State University. It places the substantive policy of Board Resolutions 96-14 and 96-15 in a broader context and provides greater clarity.

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The Connecticut State University System and Community-Technical College System have reached this agreement which affirms our commitment as public institutions of higher

STAFF REPORT

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

education to ensure that our students have maximum mobility between institutions of the two systems.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

To adopt the provisions of the Guaranteed Admission Agreement Between The Connecticut Community-Technical College and The Connecticut State University System as Board Policy.