

GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT
VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
AND
CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY

Christopher Newport University (CNU) and the Virginia Community College System (VCCS), recognizing the need to facilitate the transfer of students from the community college to CNU, resolve to adopt a Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA). CNU provides special opportunities to help VCCS students experience a smooth transition to CNU. VCCS students who do not meet the terms described in this agreement may apply and will be considered for admission, although admission is not guaranteed.

In an effort to facilitate the transfer process, VCCS and CNU provide the following guaranteed admission agreement.

Definitions

“Transfer-oriented associate degrees” refers to VCCS Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, and Associate of Arts and Sciences degrees. This includes VCCS General Studies associate degrees that have been approved by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) as transfer degrees according to the State Committee on Transfer (see website at <http://www.schev.edu/Students/GeneralStudiesWebText.pdf>).

“GAA student” refers to a student who graduates from a transfer-oriented degree program at a Virginia community college within two years of enrollment at CNU with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher on a four-point scale as shown on the VCCS transcript and who intends to transfer to CNU.

Academic Admission Agreement

GAA students are guaranteed admission to CNU and may expect the following:

1. CNU will guarantee the acceptance of all transferable credits earned from the transfer-oriented associate degree program, not to exceed 66 credits and grant students junior standing.
2. Virginia Community College System students who complete the associate degree while enrolled in high school are not eligible for admission to the CNU under the terms of this guaranteed admission agreement. Such students must apply as freshmen and will be considered on an equal basis with all other freshman applicants. If admitted, no distinction will be made by CNU regarding college courses applicable to the transfer-oriented associate degree that are taken through dual enrollment arrangement with high schools.
3. Completion of the transfer-oriented degree program will guarantee completion of the CNU general education component of the undergraduate curriculum with one exception listed in number four below.

4. The Second Language (foreign language) Literacy Requirement may be met in one of the following ways: a) Transfer of 201 or higher level foreign language course or b) Completion of a 200-level or higher foreign language course at CNU. Note that three (3) years of high school language study (in the same language) or a 102-level foreign language course is a prerequisite for a CNU 200-level foreign language course..
5. CNU cannot guarantee that all students will be able to complete all requirements for graduation within the 120-credit minimum required for graduation. CNU will inform the student at the time of enrollment if there are additional course requirements beyond the 120 minimum semester hours needed for graduation. Such courses will be specified in writing.
6. Acceptance in some degree programs at CNU is competitive; thus guaranteed admission into CNU does not imply admission to these programs without further acceptance by the program or department offering the program.
7. Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, College Level Examination Program, military training/experience, or other forms of advanced standing will be determined based on CNU equivalent courses and standards. Specific information is available at the following CNU website:
<http://cnu.edu/admission/transreadmit/transfer/credits.asp>
8. Through CNU Transfer Admissions, students can be directed to CNU departmental advisors for advice and information on meeting requirements for various CNU majors.

Eligibility

To be guaranteed admission to CNU, students must graduate from a transfer-oriented degree program at a Virginia community college with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher on a four-point scale as shown on the VCCS transcript with intent to transfer to CNU and submit an official transcript showing completion of the associate degree to the CNU Admissions Office. In addition, GAA students must have earned a grade of “C” or higher in each community college course applicable to the transfer-oriented associate degree program. Additional information regarding the ‘letter of intent’ is available at the following CNU website:

<http://cnu.edu/admission/transreadmit/transfer/gaa.asp>

Students who were previously enrolled at CNU and transferred back to a VCCS college to complete the transfer-oriented associate degree are not eligible for participation in the GAA. VCCS students who do not meet the GAA eligibility requirements listed above are eligible to apply for admission to CNU but will not be guaranteed admission under this agreement.

Responsibilities

GAA students will:

1. Follow all CNU application processes and all special departmental/program application procedures, deadlines, and grade point average requirements.

2. Have declared intent to transfer to CNU under the GAA after a minimum of 15 credits towards the transfer-oriented associate degree is completed and before applying for graduation from the community college. The student must maintain continuous enrollment in all non-summer terms from the point of declaration until the associate degree is conferred and must transfer to CNU in the semester designated under the letter of intent. Additional information regarding the 'letter of intent' is available at the following CNU website:
<http://cnu.edu/admission/transreadmit/transfer/gaa.asp>.

The community college will:

1. Advise students regarding courses needed to complete the transfer-oriented associate degree.
2. Notify students of transfer opportunities to CNU under this GAA by posting links to the agreement on the VCCS Transfer Website (<http://www.vccs.edu/students/transfers/>) and the Virginia Education Wizard (www.vawizard.org).

CNU will:

1. Consider GAA students who enroll at CNU on the same basis as native students for admission to competitive programs, registration, financial aid, scholarships, student housing, parking, and any other opportunities open to native students with junior standing.
2. Provide tracking data on performance of GAA students at CNU, including credits presented and accepted in transfer, CNU courses attempted and completed, cumulative GPA, major, graduation date from CNU, and comparisons with native students. The specific data elements and the timing of the report will be determined by Institutional Research staff from the VCCS and CNU and provided by July 1 of each year.


Review of the Agreement

The VCCS will designate officials who will be responsible for all aspects of the GAA at the VCCS. CNU will designate individuals responsible for all aspects of the GAA at CNU. Representing CNU will be the Dean of Enrollment Services and the Assistant Registrar for Transfer. Representing the VCCS will be the VCCS Vice Chancellor for Academic Services and Research and the VCCS Director of Educational Policy, in consultation with the Articulation Subcommittee of the Academic and Student Affairs Council.

CNU and the VCCS will review the GAA every three years to make adjustments as deemed appropriate to maintain its integrity and for the improvement of the transfer process. Changes will not adversely affect students already enrolled under the provisions of the existing GAA.

The GAA will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice. Such notice should be given one year in advance of the date of termination; students who

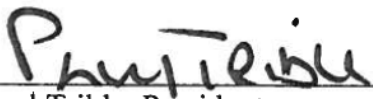
entered under the GAA may take advantage of its terms for two years after termination becomes effective.



Glenna DuBois, Chancellor
Virginia Community College System

11/25/13

Date



Paul Tribble, President
Christopher Newport University

12/16/13

Date