GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND PARK UNIVERSITY

OVERVIEW:
This formal program guaranteed admission agreement is made and entered into by Park University, hereinafter referred to as Park, and Northern Virginia Community College, hereinafter referred to as NOVA. By this agreement NOVA and Park express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By clarifying transfer policies and procedures, which assure articulation between programs, the institutions seek to assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree.

PURPOSE:
This agreement provides students who have earned an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), or Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree at NOVA the opportunity to complete a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) degree at Park. Any NOVA student who has earned an AA, AS, or AAS degree and adheres to the guidelines within this agreement is guaranteed that Park will accept designated freshman and sophomore education credits and all general education credits and will apply such to BA or BS in a manner consistent with the treatment of native Park students.

CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER:

Section I: Admissions and Matriculation

NOVA students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as native Park students enrolled under a specific catalog.

Criteria for acceptance into Park will be the same for transfer as for native students.

NOVA, upon written request of students, will provide verification of completed courses to Park through its College Records Office. The transcript of students transferring from NOVA will be evaluated by the Registrar’s Office at Park.

Transfer students from NOVA will have access to Park financial aid, scholarships, and student services on the same basis as native students.

Minimum grade of “C” in all courses must be maintained to qualify for transfer under this articulation agreement. Completion of the residency requirement: 30 hours of earned and graded college hours at Park. At least 15 of these 30 hours must be in the major core.

Park will apply the same academic progress and graduation standards to NOVA transfer students as those applicable to native students at Park.

Section II: Transfer of Credit

A maximum of 75 credit hours will be accepted by Park from NOVA to be applied to the BA or BS degree.

Credit awarded by NOVA for AP, CLEP, IB, PLACE (Prior Learning Activity for Credit Evaluation) or any other sources based on work not completed at NOVA, including credit from internal exams, will be reevaluated by Park. Credit is not guaranteed for these sources, and will be reviewed for credit consistency with Park standards. NOVA applicants who meet minimum score requirements for AP, CLEP or IB credit at Park are required to provide the Registrar’s Office an official transcript from the testing agency at time of application.

Transfer students from NOVA, upon acceptance into the BA or BS program at Park, will have junior standing at Park University.
Section III: Program Plan

While a course-by-course equivalence was used in the development of this plan, this agreement presumes that the general education core requirements at NOVA meet all freshmen and sophomore level university studies requirements of Park. Students falling under this guaranteed admission agreement will be responsible for successfully completing the prescribed requirements.

TERMS of AGREEMENT:

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2015-2016 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both parties. The agreement may be amended at any time with the approval of both parties and is subject to regular review to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, one year advance notification will be required.

SIGNATURES:

NOVA and Park University hereby enter into this guaranteed admission agreement leading from the AA, AS, or AAS at NOVA to a BA or BS at Park by the affixing of signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.

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