



I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this articulation agreement is to assist students at various levels of higher education to achieve their goals in an efficient and timely way. This purpose may be achieved through the coordination between Trinity University in Washington and Northern Virginia Community College of transfer policies, enhanced advising and acceptance of equivalent courses/credits.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admissions Practices

1. Trinity University in Washington accepts applications from students who wish to transfer from Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC) into any baccalaureate degree program at Trinity. Transferring NVCC applicants must meet the same admissions criteria as other students applying for transfer to Trinity. The application fee is waived.
2. Students transferring from NVCC to specific Trinity programs must meet the same prerequisites, grade point averages and other admission criteria, as other native or transfer students applying to Trinity programs.
3. NVCC students who graduate with an AA or AS degree or who have earned at least 24 semester hours of transferable work at NVCC and have a NVCC curriculum GPA of at least 2.5 are guaranteed admission to Trinity University in Washington.
4. For the purposes of admission and credit recognition the transfer grade point average is determined by a calculation that includes NVCC courses and all coursework at other institutions.

B. Acceptance and Application of Credits

1. General Education/Integrative Studies - students completing an AA or AS at NVCC will be considered to have met all lower division general education requirements at Trinity. Students completing an AS degree will need to complete six (6) credits in humanities and fine arts and six (6) credits in a foreign language.
2. Where course equivalencies exist for required courses and/or prerequisites, these courses will apply to Trinity graduation requirements in the student's stated major field of study.
3. Only courses/credits in which grades of C (2.0) or above was earned are acceptable for transfer.

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4. Trinity reserves the right to evaluate courses/credits earned through AP, CLEP, or other testing programs. Trinity also reserves the right to evaluate courses/credits earned at other institutions.
5. Trinity University in Washington will maintain course equivalency information.
6. Students transferring from NVCC will be required to complete a minimum of 45 of their final 60 credits of coursework at Trinity to be eligible for a Trinity degree. **Students may transfer up to 83 credits.**

C. Update/Report/Relationship

Trinity and NVCC agree to review the agreement and relevant transfer course equivalencies annually. NVCC will designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purposes of monitoring this agreement. Each institution will provide updated catalogs to the other immediately upon their availability. Trinity agrees to provide NVCC reports of enrolled NVCC transfer students, their majors and academic performance when 10 or more are enrolled in any given year.

D. Amendments and Term of Effect

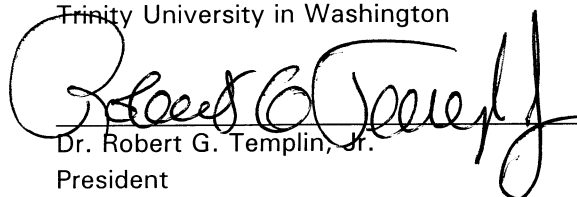
1. The curriculum transfer guidelines in effect at the time a student first enrolls at NVCC will be honored by Trinity if the student completes an AA or AS degree and successfully transfers to Trinity within 4 years of that first enrollment at NVCC.
2. This agreement may be amended, as needed, for specific program articulation without affecting the currency of the master agreement. All course-by-course transfer guides may be amended as needed.
3. This master agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice will be effective only if given 180 days prior to the intended date of termination. In the event that this agreement is terminated, the terms of the agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum of 2 years.



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Date



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Date