

# **Umbrella Articulation Agreement**

Between the

**Technical College System of Georgia**

And



**March 21, 2011**

In establishment of a system-wide articulation between the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and Life University's School of Business, the two parties confirm the following agreements:

**Agreement in Principle:**

Both parties agree to extend their best efforts to ensure that the transition from a SACS-COC accredited TCSG technical college to Life University's School of Business will be as smooth as possible for the students choosing to do so. Individual program articulations will be designed to minimize loss of credit and course duplication. Additional transition courses will be avoided. Both parties enter into this articulation as cooperating, equal partners with the responsibility to maintain the integrity of their separate programs, to remain true to their institutional missions, and to maintain the spirit of this articulation agreement.

**Agreement on Communication:**

The Technical College System of Georgia and Life University agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with their publics concerning the articulation relationship between the two institutions. Communications may include common publications and announcements concerning their affiliation and the specific joint programs. Announcements of this articulation, of changes in the relationship, and of new programs will have a coordinated release to the public from both institutions. The institutions will encourage the dissemination of information about programs in this agreement with interested and qualified students, with both institutions providing advising and counseling to prospective students.

**Agreement on Accreditation:**

This agreement is made contingent on both parties maintaining all applicable program and institution accreditations, including both SACS-COC and appropriate professional bodies.

### **Agreement on Program Specifics:**

The details of each program articulation shall be attached as a sub-agreement to this document. Program sub-agreements will indicate each of the following:

- The TCSG/Life University equivalence between courses that transfer within the sub-agreement;
- Student performance criteria (courses, grades, overall GPA, etc.); and
- The specific residency credit hour requirement by program area to be taken at Life University to complete the bachelor's degrees

It is agreed by both parties that any student who has successfully completed any course(s) indicated in a program sub-agreement-- according to the required performance criteria will be accepted at Life University and may transfer the credits referenced in that sub-agreement toward the relevant program degree at Life University.

### **Agreement on Maintenance and Review:**

At least one administrative faculty member will be appointed from each participating college/university to act as primary point of contact and agent for this agreement, to speak for the institution and to communicate details and modifications to respective faculty, advisors and others with interest at the individual institutions.

Regular review of program sub-agreements, at intervals to be set by the two institutions, and in no case less frequently than every three years, will be required. Termination of the agreement may be invoked by either party with two years notice. Students who begin a program prior to termination will be given three additional years to complete the TCSG portion and to be admitted to Life University.

Both institutions agree to provide whatever data is needed by the other institution to support accreditation requirements.

## SUB-AGREEMENT I EQUIVALENT QUARTER TO QUARTER CREDITS

This Articulation Sub-Agreement details the courses and performance requirements for Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) students to receive transfer credits to a degree program at Life University. The TCSG quarter and semester courses listed in this document, that meet satisfactory performance criteria, will be granted the equivalent course credit by Life University for transfer to the Business Administration or Computer Information Management degree programs.

### STUDENT PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:

Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) students must have earned a grade of "C" or better in business courses and maintained an overall GPA of 2.8 in courses qualifying for articulated credit in order for automatic transfer credit to occur. Every possible combination of courses cannot be anticipated. Special combinations not included in the lists may qualify for credit if approved by Life University faculty.

TCSG QUARTER COURSES			LIFE QUARTER COURSES		
COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HRS.	COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HRS.
ACC 1101	Principles of Accounting I	6	ACT 201	Principles of Accounting I	5
ACC 1102 & ACC 1104	Principles of Accounting II & Computerized Accounting	6 3	ACT 202	Principles of Accounting II	5
BAF 200	Finance	5	FIN 303	Principles of Finance	5
CIS 103	Operating Systems	6	CIM 250	Operating Systems	5
CIS 105	Program Design & Development	5	CIM 201	Computer Programming I	5
CIS 106	Computer Concepts	5	CIM 101	Introduction to Computers	5
CIS 112	System Analysis and Design	6	CIM 410	Systems Analysis and Design	5
CIS 157	Introduction to Visual Basic	7	CIM 201	Computer Programming I	5
CIS 214	Database Management	6	CIM 330	Database Design	5
CIS 280	Advanced Systems Projects	7	CIM 450/451	Senior CIM Project I & II	5
CIS 1110	Introduction to Web Programming Using PHP	4	CIM 355	WEB Design Programming	5
CIS 1140	Networking Fundamentals	6	CIM 310	Data Communication and Networking	5
CIS 2150	Implementing Microsoft Windows Server	6	CIM 310	Data Communication and Networking	5
CIS 2163 & CIS 2229	Designing and Implementing Databases with Microsoft SQL & Comprehensive Database Techniques	6 6	CIM 330	Database Design	5
CIS 2221	Web Graphics & Multimedia	6	CIM 350	Multi-media Business Presentation	5
CIS 2231	Design Methodology	6	CIM 355	WEB Design Programming	5
ECO 192	Microeconomics	5	ECO 201	Principles of Microeconomics	5
ECO 193	Macroeconomics	5	ECO 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	5

**QUARTER-TO-QUARTER EQUIVALENTS CONTINUED**

<b>TCSG QUARTER COURSES</b>			<b>LIFE QUARTER COURSES</b>		
<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>CREDIT HRS.</b>	<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>CREDIT HRS.</b>
EMP 100 or EMP 1000	Interpersonal Relations & Professional Development	3	MGT 201	Career Management	5
FIN 191 or FIN 1191	Introduction to Finance	5	FIN 303	Principles of Finance	5
MKT 100	Introduction to Marketing	5	MKT 301	Principles of Marketing	5
MKT 101	Principles of Management	5	MGT 301	Principles of Management	5
MKT 103	Business Law	5	BSN 301	Business Ethics	5
MKT 110 & MKT 123	Entrepreneurship & Small Business Management	8  5	MGT 415	Small Business Management: An Entrepreneur's Approach	5
MKT 130	Marketing Administrations O.B.I.	3	MGT 445	Internship	5
MSD 100	Principles of Management	5	MGT 301	Principles of Management	5
MSD 103	Leadership	5	MGT 302	Leadership and Team Building	5
MSD 105	Labor Management Relations	5	MGT 403	Labor Relations	5
MSD 112	Introduction to Business & Economics	5	BSN 101	Introduction to Business	5
MSD 113	Business Ethics	5	BSN 201	Business Ethics	5
MSD 206	Project Management	5	PMT 301	Principles of Project Management	5

**SUB-AGREEMENT II  
EQUIVALENT SEMESTER TO QUARTER CREDITS**

<b>TCSG SEMESTER COURSES</b>			<b>LIFE QUARTER COURSES</b>		
<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>CREDIT HRS.</b>	<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>CREDIT HRS.</b>
ACCT 1100	Financial Accounting I	4	ACT 201	Principles of Accounting I	5
ACCT 1105 & ACCT 1115	Financial Accounting II  Computerized Accounting	4  3	ACT 202	Principles of Accounting II	5
BAFN 2200	Finance	3	FIN 303	Principles of Finance	5
CIST 1001	Computer Concepts	4	CIM 101	Introduction to Computers	5
CIST 1130	Operating Systems	3	CIM 250	Operating Systems	5
CIST 1200	Database Management	4	CIM 330	Database Design	5
CIST 1305	Program Design & Development	3	CIM 201	Computer Programming I	5
CIST 1401	Computer Networking Fundamentals	4	CIM 310	Data Communication and Networking	5
CIST 2224 & CIS 2129	Designing and Implementing Databases with Microsoft SQL Server & Comprehensive Database Techniques	4  4	CIM 330	Database Design	5
CIST 2311	Visual Basic I	4	CIM 201	Computer Programming I	5
CIST 2510	Web Technologies	3	CIM 355	WEB Design Programming	5
CIST 2570	Open Source Web Programming I	4	CIM 355	WEB Design Programming	5
CIST 2921	IT Analysis Design and Project Management	4	CIM 410	Business Systems Analysis and Design	5
ECON 2106	Microeconomics	3	ECO 201	Principles of Microeconomics	5
ECON 2105	Macroeconomics	3	ECO 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	5
EMPL 1000	Interpersonal Relations & Professional Development	2	MGT 201	Career Management	3
MKTG 1100	Principles of Marketing	3	MKT 301	Principles of Marketing	5
MKTG 1130	Business Regulations and Compliance	3	BSN 301	Business Ethics	5
MKTG 2210 & MKTG 2010	Entrepreneurship & Small Business Mgt.	6  3	MGT 415	Small Business Management: An Entrepreneur's Approach	5
MKTG 2290	Marketing Administrations O.B.I. I	3	MGT 445	Internship	1-5
MGMT 1100	Principles of Management	3	MGT 301	Principles of Management	5
MGMT 1115	Leadership	3	MGT 302	Leadership and Team Building	5
MGMT 2120	Labor Management Relations	3	MGT 403	Labor Relations	5
MGMT 1120	Introduction to Business	3	BSN 101	Introduction to Business	5
MGMT 1125	Business Ethics	3	BSN 201	Business Ethics	5
MGMT 2210	Project Management	3	PMT 301	Principles of Project Management	5

**NOTE: A Senior Management Research Project (MGT 460/461) may be required to augment a course experience to provide a greater breadth and depth of managerial perspective since Life University's courses are at the 300 and 400 levels.**

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

In order to graduate from Life University, students must satisfactorily complete all courses with a minimum overall cumulative GPA of 2.0. Once declared a degree candidate by the Registrar's Office, students will be invited to sit for the Department of Business Exit Exam session most proximate to his/her graduation ceremony. Failure to sit for the Exit Exam will preclude the student from graduation until the exam is taken at the next bi-annual Exit Exam session. Under absolutely no circumstances will the Exit Exam be given on an individual basis, remotely, or outside the normally scheduled bi-annual Exit Exam sessions in fall and spring terms.

In order to graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Information Management, the student must have earned at least forty-five (45) credit hours of Computer Information Management courses in the last year of residency. To graduate with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, the student must have earned at least forty-five (45) credit hours of Business Management courses in the last year of residency.